

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 300

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; PROVIDING HEALTH CARE
SERVICES, INCLUDING PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE UNDER
MEDICAID FOR CERTAIN PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE AND OLDER; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. SPECIAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE

~~PROGRAM - MEDICAID.~~ -- The medical assistance division of the
human services department shall provide full medicaid
coverage, including prescription drug assistance, to certain
persons age sixty-five and older whose incomes are less than
one hundred percent of the federal poverty level.

Implementation of the program shall be pursuant to rules
adopted by the department. The program shall be consistent
with the provisions of Title 19 of the federal Social Security

1 Act.

2 Section 2. APPROPRIATION. --

3 A. Two million one hundred fifty-five thousand
4 dollars (\$2,155,000) is appropriated from the general fund to
5 the human services department for expenditure in fiscal years
6 2001 and 2002 to provide full medicaid coverage, including
7 prescription drug assistance, under the state's medicaid
8 program for certain persons age sixty-five and older.

9 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
10 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the
11 general fund.

12 Section 3. EMERGENCY. --It is necessary for the public
13 peace, health and safety that this act take effect
14 immediately.