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HOUSE BILL 683

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

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; PROVIDING MOTOR VEHICLE
INSURANCE FOR INDIGENT PEOPLE WHO ARE PARTICIPANTS IN PUBLIC
ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN NEW MEXICO; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. A new section of the Public Assistance Act is
enacted to read:

" [NEW MATERIAL] MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE PROGRAM --

A. The department shall establish a program that
will provide motor vehicle insurance that meets the
requirements of the Mandatory Financial Responsibility Act,
specifically the requirements of Section 66-5-208 NMSA 1978.

B. Persons eligible to participate in the motor
vehicle insurance program shall be those who are eligible to
receive temporary assistance for needy families or medicaid or

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1 who are eligible to participate in the welfare-to-work or
2 Workforce Investment Act programs, whose children qualify for
3 free lunch programs or who qualify for any other public
4 assistance program based on income, whether the person is a
5 participant in one of those programs or not. "

6 Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- Five million dollars
7 (\$5,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
8 human services department for expenditure in fiscal year 2002
9 to implement a program that will provide motor vehicle
10 insurance to indigent people who qualify to participate in
11 public assistance programs. Any unexpended or unencumbered
12 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert
13 to the general fund.