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**SENATE BILL 619**

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

**INTRODUCED BY**

**Leonard Lee Rawson**

**AN ACT**

**RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT TO PROHIBIT, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, A CONTRACTOR FROM REQUIRING A SUBCONTRACTOR TO OBTAIN WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE COVERAGE FROM A SPECIFIC INSURER.**

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

**Section 1. A new section of the Workers' Compensation Act is enacted to read:**

**" NEW MATERIAL MANDATING COVERAGE FROM A SPECIFIC INSURER. --No contractor shall mandate, directly or indirectly, or as a condition or prerequisite in any request for bids, request for proposals or contract, that a subcontractor obtain workers' compensation coverage from a specific insurer or under a specific policy if the subcontractor:**

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A. has a certificate filed with the director  
pursuant to Section 52-1-4 NMSA 1978; and

B. is an independent contractor. "

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