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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH; CREATING THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S  
COUNCIL ON WOMEN'S HEALTH; PROVIDING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF  
THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON WOMEN'S HEALTH.

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

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 28, Article 3 NMSA  
1978 is enacted to read:

"OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON WOMEN'S HEALTH  
CREATED.--

A. The "office of the governor's council on  
women's health" is created and is administratively attached  
to the commission on the status of women.

B. The office of the governor's council on women's  
health shall:

(1) serve as a clearinghouse for education  
and information on women's health;

(2) recommend performance measures and  
outcomes specific to women's health;

(3) report annually by September 1 to the  
governor on women's health policy issues;

(4) assist in developing policy to improve  
women's health and well-being, including policies that  
explain and explore the links between women's health and  
economic security; and

1                   (5) assist state agencies, including the  
2 department of health, to improve access to health care for  
3 women.

4                   C. The governor shall appoint the director of the  
5 office of the governor's council on women's health, who shall  
6 serve at the pleasure of the governor.

7                   D. The governor shall appoint advisors to the  
8 office of the governor's council on women's health to  
9 represent the geographic diversity of the state as follows:

10                   (1) one representative from each of the  
11 following:

12                                   (a) the commission on the status of  
13 women;

14                                   (b) the department of health;

15                                   (c) the New Mexico health policy  
16 commission;

17                                   (d) the children, youth and families  
18 department;

19                                   (e) the human services department;

20                                   (f) the Indian affairs department;

21                                   (g) the veterans' services department;  
22 and

23                                   (h) the office on African American  
24 affairs;

25                   (2) one representative of providers of

