

underscoring material = new  
[bracketed material] = delete

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25

HOUSE BILL 64

**51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2014**

INTRODUCED BY

Sandra D. Jeff and George K. Munoz

FOR THE INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS' SERVICES; CREATING A NATIVE AMERICAN  
VETERANS DIVISION WITHIN THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

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

SECTION 1. Section 9-22-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2004,  
Chapter 19, Section 4) is amended to read:

"9-22-4. DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED.--The "veterans' services  
department" is created in the executive branch. The department  
is a cabinet department and includes the following divisions:

- A. the administrative services division;
- B. the field services division;
- C. the state approving division; ~~[and]~~
- D. the state benefits division; and
- E. the Native American veterans division."

SECTION 2. A new section of the Veterans' Services

underscoring material = new  
~~[bracketed material] = delete~~

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25

Department Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS DIVISION.--The

Native American veterans division shall:

A. conduct outreach to Native American veterans and Native American veterans organizations;

B. act as a liaison between Native American veterans and Native American veterans organizations and the department, the state and the federal government; and

C. assist Native American veterans to organize and advocate for benefits and services unique to Native Americans."