### HOUSE BILL 550

# 52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015

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# AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH; MAKING THE USE, SALE, OFFER OR

POSSESSION OF POWDERED ALCOHOL ILLEGAL; PROHIBITING THE USE OF

POWDERED ALCOHOL TO PREPARE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR SALE;

PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES AND FINES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 60, Article 7A NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

## "[NEW MATERIAL] POWDERED ALCOHOL PROHIBITED. --

- A. As used in this section, "powdered alcohol" means alcohol prepared or sold in a powder form for either direct use or reconstitution.
  - B. It is unlawful:
- (1) to use, offer for use, purchase, offer to purchase, sell, offer to sell or possess powdered alcohol; or .198856.1

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C. A person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a fourth degree felony and shall be sentenced according to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978."

**SECTION 2.** EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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