SAAVEDRA SENIOR DIGNITY FUND; PROVIDING PURPOSES FOR THE FUND.

RELATING TO SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES; CREATING THE KIKI

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

SECTION 1. KIKI SAAVEDRA SENIOR DIGNITY FUND-CREATED--PURPOSE--APPROPRIATION.--

- A. The "Kiki Saavedra senior dignity fund" is created as a nonreverting fund in the state treasury and shall be administered by the aging and long-term services department. The fund consists of money that is appropriated or donated or that otherwise accrues to the fund.
- B. Money in the Kiki Saavedra senior dignity fund shall be subject to legislative appropriation to address high-priority services for senior citizens in New Mexico, including transportation, food insecurity, physical and behavioral health, case management and caregiving. More particularly, the goals of the fund are increased access for seniors and adults with disabilities, including veterans, to specialty vehicles and to specialty physical and behavioral health care not always provided in rural areas; assistance with appointments and meals in underserved areas of the state; and care coordination through community health workers.

C. Expenditures from the fund shall be made on warrants drawn by the secretary of finance and administration pursuant to vouchers signed by the secretary of aging and long-term services or the secretary's authorized representative.____

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