

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION

PROPOSED AMENDMENT DIRECTED TO A COMMITTEE

February 24, 2025

Madam Chair:

I propose to the SENATE TAX, BUSINESS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE the following amendment to

SENATE BILL 252

1. On page 3, between lines 24 and 25, insert:

"SECTION 2. Section 24-25-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2004, Chapter 48, Section 5, as amended) is amended to read:

"24-25-5. SCOPE OF ACT.--

A. The New Mexico Telehealth Act does not alter the scope of practice of any health care provider or authorize the delivery of health care services in a setting, or in a manner, not otherwise authorized by law.

B. Because the use of telehealth improves access to quality health care and will generally benefit the citizens of New Mexico, health insurers, health maintenance organizations, managed care organizations and third-party payors offering services to the citizens of New Mexico are encouraged to use and provide coverage for telehealth within the scope of their plans or policies. The state's medical assistance program is also encouraged to include telehealth within the scope of its plan or policy.

C. Nothing in the New Mexico Telehealth Act shall be construed to alter supervision requirements set forth by a health care provider's applicable licensing board. A health care

provider shall provide telehealth services under the same level of supervision required for in-person practice."

Respectfully submitted,
