

1 HOUSE BILL 349

2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO HEALTH INFORMATION; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF
12 HEALTH TO CONTRACT WITH AN ENTITY OR MULTIPLE ENTITIES TO
13 DEVELOP A TOTAL HEALTH CARE EXPENDITURE DATABASE; MAKING AN
14 APPROPRIATION.

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

17 SECTION 1. A new section of the Health Information System
18 Act is enacted to read:

19 "[NEW MATERIAL] TOTAL HEALTH CARE EXPENDITURE DATABASE.--
20 By October 1, 2025, the department shall issue a request for
21 proposals to contract with an entity or multiple entities to
22 develop a total health care expenditure database as part of the
23 health information system. The total health care expenditure
24 database shall collect information on:

25 A. health care claim payments across all payer

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1 categories, including private payers, public programs,
2 commercial carriers and self-insured employers;

3 B. nonclaim payments, including prescription drug
4 spending and payments for health insurance premiums; and

5 C. nonmedical drivers of health care costs,
6 including transportation costs for rural health care
7 providers."

8 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--Five hundred thousand dollars
9 (\$500,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
10 department of health for expenditure in fiscal years 2026 and
11 2027 to contract with an entity or multiple entities to develop
12 a total health care expenditure database as part of the health
13 information system. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
14 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall revert to the
15 general fund.