

1 SENATE BILL 238

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

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A YOUTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
12 PREVENTION PROJECT FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

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

15 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--

16 A. One million four hundred fifty thousand dollars  
17 (\$1,450,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
18 public education department for expenditure in fiscal year 2026  
19 for a youth behavioral health prevention project offered  
20 through a multi-component digital platform. Any unexpended or  
21 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026  
22 shall revert to the general fund.

23 B. The department's request for proposals shall  
24 require that:

- 25 (1) the proposed platform provide online

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1 behavioral health education resources, pre-moderated peer-to-  
2 peer support services and online private sessions with state-  
3 licensed behavioral health professionals; and

4 (2) the provider of the platform must possess  
5 demonstrated experience providing services described in the  
6 request for proposals to public school students in other  
7 states.