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FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2025

SB 252/a

February 25, 2025

Mr. President:

Your **TAX, BUSINESS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

SENATE BILL 252

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

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.".

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and thence referred to the **FINANCE COMMITTEE**.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Carrie Hamblen, Chair

Adopted _____ Not Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date _____

The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against
Yes: Berghmans, Figueroa, Hamblen, Jaramillo, O'Malley,
Paul, Ramos, Sanchez
No: 0
Excused: Sharer, Wirth
Absent: None

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