

HOUSE BILL 72

**57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026**

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE  
DISTRIBUTION TO A MINOR OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ENUMERATED IN  
SCHEDULE I OR SCHEDULE II.

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

**SECTION 1.** Section 30-31-21 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1972,  
Chapter 84, Section 21, as amended) is amended to read:

"30-31-21. DISTRIBUTION TO A MINOR.--

A. Except as authorized by the Controlled  
Substances Act, no person who is eighteen years of age or older  
shall intentionally distribute a controlled substance to a  
person under the age of eighteen years.

B. Except as provided in Subsection C of this  
section, any person who violates this section with respect to a  
controlled substance enumerated in Schedule I, II, III or IV or  
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1 a controlled substance analog of any controlled substance  
2 enumerated in Schedule I, II, III or IV is:

3 (1) for the first offense, guilty of a second  
4 degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to the provisions  
5 of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978; and

6 (2) for the second and subsequent offenses,  
7 guilty of a first degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant  
8 to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978.

9 C. A person who violates this section with respect  
10 to a controlled substance enumerated in Schedule I or II that  
11 is a narcotic drug or a controlled substance analog of a  
12 controlled substance enumerated in Schedule I or II that is a  
13 narcotic drug, methamphetamine, its salts, isomers or salts of  
14 isomers as enumerated in Schedule II or a controlled substance  
15 analog of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers or salts of  
16 isomers is guilty of a first degree felony and shall be  
17 sentenced pursuant to the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA  
18 1978."