

SENATE BILL 181

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

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AN ACT

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND LAW
ENFORCEMENT TRAINING TO SUPPORT THE TURQUOISE, AMBER, BRITTANY
AND SILVER ALERTS AND FOR A STATEWIDE AWARENESS AND PUBLIC
SERVICE CAMPAIGN TO BUILD AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING, IMPROVE
RESPONSE EFFICACY AND STRENGTHEN TRUST IN THE TURQUOISE ALERT
SYSTEM.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS.--

A. The following amounts are appropriated from the
general fund to the department of public safety for expenditure
in fiscal year 2027 for the following purposes:

(1) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to
modernize and enhance the statewide operations and systems for
turquoise alerts, AMBER alerts, Brittany alerts and silver

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1 alerts, as well as endangered persons and missing persons
2 advisories; and

3 (2) three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000)
4 for two full-time employees, one for the missing persons
5 information clearinghouse to serve as a tribal liaison analyst
6 and point of contact for tribal, state and local law
7 enforcement and the second employee for the information
8 technology division to work as a developer on the development
9 of a dedicated endangered persons and missing persons portal.

10 B. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) is
11 appropriated from the general fund to the Indian affairs
12 department for expenditure in fiscal year 2027 for a statewide
13 outreach and public service campaign to build community
14 awareness and understanding, improve response efficacy and
15 strengthen trust in the turquoise alert system.

16 C. Any unexpended balance of an appropriation made
17 pursuant to this section remaining at the end of fiscal year
18 2027 shall revert to the general fund.