

1 SENATE BILL 227

2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO CRIME; ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC REGISTRY FOR A PERSON  
12 CONVICTED OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND EXTREME CRUELTY TO ANIMALS;  
13 REQUIRING PUBLICATION OF THE REGISTRY.

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

16 **SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND EXTREME**  
17 **CRUELTY TO ANIMALS REGISTRY--PUBLICATION OF REGISTRY.--**

18 A. A person convicted pursuant to Section 30-18-1  
19 NMSA 1978 shall register with the county sheriff for the county  
20 in which the person resides. When the person initially  
21 registers with the county sheriff, the person shall provide:

22 (1) the person's legal name and other names or  
23 aliases the person is using or has used;  
24 (2) the person's date of birth;  
25 (3) the person's social security number;

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(4) the person's current physical and mailing address;

(5) the offense for which the person was convicted;

(6) the person's telephone number;

(7) any professional licenses held by the

(8) a photograph of the person.

B. A county sheriff shall maintain a local registry of those required to register pursuant to Subsection A of this section.

C. The department shall maintain a central available registry of those required to register pursuant to Subsection A of this section.

D. The department shall establish and manage a report on the department's website that provides the public with information regarding who has registered pursuant to Subsection A of this section. The website shall provide:

(1) the person's legal name and any other names or aliases the person is using or has used;

(2) the offenses for which the person has been convicted; and

(3) a photograph of the person.

E. When a person required to register pursuant to Subsection A of this section changes residence to a new county

1       in New Mexico, the person shall register with the county  
2       sheriff of the new county no later than five business days  
3       after establishing the new residence.

4               F. The court in which the person was convicted  
5       shall provide the person with a written notice of the person's  
6       duty to register pursuant to the provisions of Subsection A of  
7       this section.

8               G. The department shall adopt rules necessary to  
9       carry out the provisions of this section.

10              H. As used in this section:

11               (1) "department" means the department of  
12       public safety; and

13               (2) "person" means a person eighteen years of  
14       age or older.