

1 SENATE BILL 300

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

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES
12 DEPARTMENT TO IMPROVE COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE USED IN
13 CHILD WELFARE CASES THAT ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE NATIONAL CHILD
14 WELFARE DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

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

17 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**--Five million dollars
18 (\$5,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
19 children, youth and families department for expenditure in
20 fiscal year 2027 to improve computer hardware and software used
21 in child welfare cases that are compatible with the national
22 child welfare data management system used by the United States
23 department of health and human services. Any unexpended
24 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall revert
25 to the general fund.