

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ISSUED BY THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE
Fiscal Analysis of the Health Security Act Plan
State of New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee
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**SUMMARY OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
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- 1. The RFP includes a requirement for experience in multiple states. Can we partner with entities with multiple state experience?**

ANSWER: Yes. It would be helpful for proposal to consider similar work in other states.

- 2. Is a particular type of modeling required?**

ANSWER: No. Examples were provided in RFP, but the actual type of modeling utilized is up to the offeror. Proposal should include a description of the proposed modeling methodology, and the actual work product should include a detailed description of the methodology as implemented.

- 3. Does LFC have a history with a vendor who has already done this type of project?**

ANSWER: No. Comparable studies have been done in the past by different contractors with other state entities, but not in collaboration with the Legislative Finance Committee. The other analyses are included in the procurement library.

- 4. Is there any other legislation that is helpful to consider?**

ANSWER: Yes. The statute and memorial are in the procurement library now, and the House and Senate bills that appropriated funding for the project will be uploaded shortly after this conference.

- 5. Can you provide a summary of the history and “sentiment” associated with the Health Security Act legislation?**

ANSWER: The Health Security Act has gone through multiple iterations over the past several years based on feedback from many sources. The current legislation includes a model that is based on a “co-op” type of approach. The legislation has not been passed by the full Legislature, but it has gained more support with subsequent introductions.

6. **Would it be a conflict of interest and require disclosure if a consultant is married to a medical doctor?**

ANSWER: No, unless the doctor is administering a health plan or is a hospital administrator, or has some other immediate and direct conflict of interest.

7. **Would there be a conflict of interest if the firm is doing work for other clients that may be economically impacted if the Health Security Act becomes law?**

ANSWER: Potentially. Proposals should disclose any possible conflicts of interest and what measures would be taken to impose a firewall.

8. **Have other states been interested in the Health Security Act?**

ANSWER: The procurement library includes related studies conducted in other states. The Legislative Finance Committee has not been contacted directly by other states regarding the Health Security Act.

9. **The funding for the analysis was included in both House Bill 548 and Senate Bill 536 passed by the 2019 legislature. Does one bill take precedence over the other, or are they additive?**

ANSWER: The funding is additive.