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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE

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**REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE STATE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION ENTER INTO A FORMAL AGREEMENT
TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL-BASED CLINICS AND TO PROVIDE
APPROPRIATE OVERSIGHT OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS.**

**WHEREAS, students have an increased need for access to
primary health care; and**

**WHEREAS, children are often at greater risk for illnesses
and injuries than other segments of the population; and**

**WHEREAS, the New Mexico health policy commission reported
that New Mexico children had an uninsured rate of almost
twenty-eight percent compared with a national uninsured rate
for children of less than fourteen percent; and**

**WHEREAS, thirty percent of New Mexico children live at or
below the federal poverty level; and**

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