## HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 453

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

## AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION OF GENETIC PRIVACY AGAINST UNLAWFUL DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES; ENACTING SECTIONS OF THE NMSA 1978.

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

Section 1. A new Section 28-1-2.1 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

- "28-1-2.1. [NEW MATERIAL] DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Human Rights Act:
- A. "DNA" means deoxyribonucleic acid, including mitochondrial DNA, complementary DNA and DNA derived from ribonucleic acid; and
- B. "genetic information" means information about the genetic makeup of a person or members of a person's family, including information resulting from genetic analysis, DNA

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composition, participation in genetic research or use of genetic services."

Section 2. A new Section 28-1-7.1 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"28-1-7.1. [NEW MATERIAL] UNLAWFUL DISCRIMINATORY
PRACTICE.--It is unlawful discriminatory practice for an employer, labor organization, joint apprentice committee or employment agency to use genetic information in any employment-related decisions, including hiring, discharge, promotion, demotion, compensation and terms, conditions and privileges of employment."

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