RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW; CREATING THE CRIME OF ESCAPE FROM A SECURE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY.

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

Section 1. ESCAPE FROM A SECURE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY.--

A. Escape from a secure residential treatment facility consists of a person lawfully committed for a criminal offense to a secure residential treatment facility escaping from the facility.

B. Whoever commits escape from a secure residential treatment facility is guilty of a misdemeanor.

C. As used in this section, "secure residential treatment facility" means a secure facility not located within a correctional facility or detention center in which residents are being treated for substance abuse problems, and personnel and physical barriers prevent the residents from leaving. HB 541 Page 1