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AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; CREATING THE COLLEGE ASSISTANCE MIGRANT PROGRAM AT NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY.

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

Section 1. COLLEGE ASSISTANCE MIGRANT PROGRAM --

A. The "college assistance migrant program" is created at New Mexico state university to serve educational needs of migrants and seasonal farm workers who are students at the university by offering sufficient support to ensure participants' success in the first year of college and by maintaining communication with former participants to ensure they receive the support they need to graduate.

B. The program shall:

(1) address the achievement gap of farm worker students in higher education and bridge educational

outreach issues within that population;

- assist each student to graduate from New Mexico state university with a bachelor's degree;
- (3) provide students with assistance with housing and meal costs, comprehensive health examinations, art and cultural activities, tutoring and mentoring services, leadership training workshops and school supplies; and
- provide overall educational support and communication with family, community members and university administrators and faculty that serve as the educational support network for each student.

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