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SENATE BILL 417

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

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AN ACT

RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH; REQUIRING THE INTERAGENCY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PURCHASING COLLABORATIVE TO ESTABLISH A
STATEWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN SUICIDE PREVENTION
AND THREE CULTURALLY BASED SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVES FOR
NATIVE AMERICANS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

**SECTION 1. CLEARINGHOUSE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN SUICIDE
PREVENTION--CULTURALLY BASED SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVES.--**

A. In consultation with the Indian affairs
department, the interagency behavioral health purchasing
collaborative shall establish:

(1) a statewide clearinghouse and technical
assistance program called the "New Mexico clearinghouse for
Native American suicide prevention" to provide culturally

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1 appropriate suicide prevention, intervention and post-event
2 assistance statewide to Native American individuals, families
3 and tribes, nations and pueblos living with suicide, attempted
4 suicide or the risk of suicide; and

5 (2) three culturally based Native American
6 youth suicide prevention initiatives, each focused on the
7 continuum of prevention, intervention and post-event assistance
8 to Native American individuals, families and tribes, nations
9 and pueblos living with suicide, attempted suicide or the risk
10 of suicide in rural, frontier and urban communities.

11 B. As used in this section, "Native American" means
12 a member of a federally recognized tribe, nation or pueblo.

13 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--

14 A. One hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) is
15 appropriated from the general fund to the human services
16 department for expenditure in fiscal year 2012 to fund the
17 interagency behavioral health purchasing collaborative's
18 program to provide culturally appropriate suicide prevention,
19 intervention and post-event assistance statewide to Native
20 American individuals, families and tribes, nations and pueblos
21 living with suicide, attempted suicide or the risk of suicide.
22 Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of
23 fiscal year 2012 shall revert to the general fund.

24 B. Three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) is
25 appropriated from the general fund to the human services

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1 department for expenditure in fiscal year 2012 to fund the
2 interagency behavioral health purchasing collaborative's
3 establishment of three culturally based Native American youth
4 suicide prevention initiatives, each receiving one hundred
5 thousand dollars (\$100,000), which focus on the continuum of
6 prevention, intervention and post-event assistance to Native
7 American individuals, families and tribes, nations and pueblos
8 living with suicide, attempted suicide or the risk of suicide
9 in rural, frontier and urban communities. Any unexpended or
10 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2012
11 shall revert to the general fund.

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