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SENATE BILL 55

**51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2014**

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; REQUIRING THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CREATE A FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR INCREASING ALLOCATIONS TO DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAM SUPPORTS AND SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL REPORTING TO THE LEGISLATURE; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. ~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES--MEDICAID HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SUPPORTS AND SERVICES--FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR INCREASING ALLOCATIONS FROM CENTRAL REGISTRY FOR ENROLLMENT IN SERVICES.--By July 1, 2014 and each year thereafter, the human services department and the department of health shall collaborate to create and report to the legislative finance committee and the legislative health and human services committee their five-year plan for increasing

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1 allocations from the central registry for developmental  
2 disabilities medicaid home- and community-based supports and  
3 services and enrolling individuals awaiting allocation in the  
4 developmental disability medicaid home- and community-based  
5 waiver program. The plan shall include:

6 A. the number of individuals who are on the central  
7 registry and not yet receiving waiver services, by age, county  
8 of residence and years on the central registry;

9 B. an estimate of the costs of providing support  
10 and services to individuals who are eligible for services but  
11 not yet receiving them; and

12 C. a target for the number of individuals to be  
13 moved from the central registry into services over the  
14 five-year period covered by the plan and the amount of new  
15 state funding needed each year to meet the target.

16 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.**--Twenty-five million dollars  
17 (\$25,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
18 department of health for expenditure in fiscal year 2015 to  
19 fund supports and services for individuals enrolled in a  
20 developmental disability medicaid home- and community-based  
21 waiver program and to allow enrollment of eligible individuals  
22 listed on the department of health's central registry who are  
23 currently awaiting allocation of supports and services through  
24 the developmental disability medicaid waiver program. Any  
25 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of

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1 fiscal year 2015 shall revert to the general fund.

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