

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL 575

**53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;  
ENACTING THE HEALTH SECURITY PLAN ANALYSIS ACT TO PROVIDE FOR  
AN ANALYSIS OF MODELS OF COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE;  
ESTABLISHING THE HEALTH SECURITY PLAN ANALYSIS FUND; MAKING AN  
APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] SHORT TITLE.--This act may be  
cited as the "Health Security Plan Analysis Act".

SECTION 2. [NEW MATERIAL] PROPOSED HEALTH SECURITY PLAN  
ANALYSIS.--

A. As funding permits, the legislative finance  
committee shall obtain an analysis of the requirements and  
feasibility of establishing a "health security plan". The  
health security plan is a statewide comprehensive health care

1 coverage plan that ensures health care coverage for all New  
2 Mexicans, controls escalating health care costs and improves  
3 the health care of its beneficiaries.

4 B. The health security plan analysis shall compare  
5 the provisions of the House Health and Human Services Committee  
6 Substitute for House Bill 101 of the first session of the  
7 fifty-third legislature as well as the provisions of House  
8 Health and Human Services Committee Substitute for House Bill  
9 101 with other models of comprehensive statewide health care  
10 coverage that are designed to control health care costs and  
11 improve health care for those covered.

12 C. The health security plan analysis shall include:

13 (1) a fiscal analysis of the projected first  
14 five years of the establishment and operation of the health  
15 security plan, including a projection of plan costs for all  
16 payer sources and a review of financing options for the  
17 proposed health security plan. The fiscal analysis shall  
18 provide projections regarding the impact of the health security  
19 plan upon the state budget and project the costs of  
20 establishing and administering the health security plan. The  
21 fiscal analysis shall be guided by the following requirements  
22 and assumptions:

23 (a) before estimating beneficiary and  
24 employer contributions to the health security plan budget, the  
25 legislative finance committee staff shall identify and estimate

1 the amount of public finances that may be contributed to the  
2 budget;

3 (b) the health care services to be  
4 included, and for which costs are to be projected in  
5 determining the financing options, shall be no less than the  
6 health care services afforded to state employees pursuant to  
7 the Health Care Purchasing Act; and

8 (c) financing options may set minimum  
9 and maximum levels of costs to a beneficiary based on the  
10 following factors, as they apply to a given beneficiary: 1)  
11 the beneficiary's income; 2) any federal subsidies for health  
12 coverage costs; 3) medicare offsets; and 4) minimum and maximum  
13 levels of employer contributions, taking into consideration an  
14 employer's payroll and number of employees;

15 (2) an analysis of the optimal governance of  
16 the health security plan, including the administrative  
17 structure and the applicability of state laws to that  
18 governance; and

19 (3) the type of coverage that the health  
20 security plan may offer in addition to coverage for routine  
21 care, preventive care, care related to serious illness and  
22 hospitalization care. The analysis shall consider whether the  
23 health security plan should include:

24 (a) coverage to supplement medicare;

25 (b) long-term care insurance;

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- 1 (c) automobile medical liability
- 2 coverage;
- 3 (d) workers' compensation medical
- 4 coverage; or
- 5 (e) other types of coverage.

6 D. As used in this section, "beneficiary" means a  
7 person eligible for health care and benefits pursuant to the  
8 health security plan.

9 SECTION 3. [NEW MATERIAL] REPORTING.--Legislative finance  
10 committee staff shall issue a final report of its  
11 determinations with the specific options and recommendations to  
12 the appropriate interim legislative committees no later than  
13 October 1, 2018.

14 SECTION 4. [NEW MATERIAL] FUNDING.--To fund the health  
15 security plan analysis performed pursuant to the Health  
16 Security Plan Analysis Act, the legislative finance committee  
17 shall seek:

18 A. partnerships among state agencies, the federal  
19 government and private nonprofit persons to identify and apply  
20 for available grant funding and other in-kind and financial  
21 resources; and

22 B. legislative appropriations as state revenues  
23 permit.

24 SECTION 5. [NEW MATERIAL] HEALTH SECURITY PLAN ANALYSIS  
25 FUND--CREATION.--The "health security plan analysis fund" is

1 created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of  
2 appropriations, gifts, grants, donations and interest earned on  
3 investment of the fund. Money in the fund is subject to  
4 appropriation by the legislature and may be expended by the  
5 legislative finance committee for the purposes of conducting  
6 its health security plan analysis pursuant to the Health  
7 Security Plan Analysis Act. Money in the fund may be expended  
8 on warrants drawn by the secretary of finance and  
9 administration pursuant to vouchers signed by the director of  
10 the legislative finance committee. Money remaining in the fund  
11 at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general  
12 fund.

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