1	AN ACT
2	RELATING TO MARKETING; CREATING THE MARKETING EXCELLENCE
3	BUREAU IN THE MARKETING DIVISION OF THE TOURISM DEPARTMENT;
4	SPECIFYING DUTIES; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE ECONOMIC
5	DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ACT.
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7	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
8	SECTION 1. A new section of the Tourism Department Act
9	is enacted to read:
10	"MARKETING EXCELLENCE BUREAUCREATEDDUTIES
11	A. The "marketing excellence bureau" is created in
12	the marketing division of the department.
13	B. The marketing excellence bureau shall:
14	(1) serve as a centralized collection of
15	marketing-focused expertise, knowledge and resources to
16	support the program goals of executive branch agencies;
17	(2) provide guidance, information, support
18	and training related to marketing efforts;
19	(3) support strategy alignment and develop
20	efficiencies for marketing efforts for all executive branch
21	agencies;
22	(4) assist executive branch agencies in
23	identifying and developing new market strategies and
24	technology solutions to enhance the agencies' marketing
25	efforts; and

(5) lead the marketing strategy, asset creation and advertising placements for the economic development corporation and for all executive branch agencies and marketing and public education programs, as requested."

SECTION 2. Section 53-7A-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003, Chapter 183, Section 6) is amended to read:

## "53-7A-6. APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS.--

A. The corporation formed pursuant to the Economic Development Corporation Act is separate and apart from the state and shall not be deemed an agency, public body or other political subdivision of New Mexico for purposes of applying laws relating to personnel, procurement of goods and services, gross receipts tax, disposition or acquisition of property, capital outlays and per diem and mileage; provided that the corporation shall be deemed an executive branch agency for purposes of receiving marketing services from the tourism department.

- B. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, meetings of the corporation shall be closed to the public when proprietary technical or business information or any information regarding location or expansion of a business is discussed.
- C. Information obtained by the corporation that is proprietary technical or business information or related to the possible relocation or expansion of a business shall be

confidential and not subject to inspection pursuant to the Inspection of Public Records Act.

D. The corporation, its officers, directors and employees shall be granted immunity from liability for any tort as provided in the Tort Claims Act and may enter into agreements with insurance carriers to insure against a loss in connection with its operations even though the loss may be included among losses covered by the risk management fund of New Mexico."

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the

provisions of this act is July 1, 2024. HB 377/a
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