

1 SENATE BILL 254

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR BRAIN INJURY SERVICES.

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

14 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS.--

15 A. The following amounts are appropriated from the  
16 general fund to the specified recipients for expenditure in the  
17 specified fiscal years for the specified purposes:

18 (1) two million five hundred thousand dollars  
19 (\$2,500,000) to the brain injury services fund for expenditure  
20 in fiscal year 2025 and subsequent fiscal years to increase  
21 funding limits for eligible participants in statewide brain  
22 injury services programs;

23 (2) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to the  
24 brain injury services fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2025  
25 and subsequent fiscal years to establish and support a brain

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1 injury registry as recommended by the governor's commission on  
2 disability in its report to the legislature in response to  
3 Senate Memorial 30 of the first session of the fifty-sixth  
4 legislature;

5 (3) six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) to  
6 the department of health for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 to  
7 conduct surveillance of the prevalence and incidence of brain  
8 injury in the state; and

9 (4) three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000)  
10 to the health care authority department for expenditure in  
11 fiscal year 2025 to provide brain injury education to health  
12 care professionals, including mentorship and peer support,  
13 through a statewide virtual learning platform.

14 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balances  
15 remaining at the end of a fiscal year of the appropriations  
16 made in Paragraphs (1) and (2) of Subsection A of this section  
17 shall not revert to the general fund, and any unexpended or  
18 unencumbered balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025  
19 of the appropriations made in Paragraphs (3) and (4) of  
20 Subsection A of this section shall revert to the general fund.