

April 11, 2025

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 19

The Honorable Javier Martínez, Speaker of the House and
Members of the House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Honorable Speaker Martínez and Members of the House:

I have decided to veto HOUSE BILL 77 (“HB 77”), which would require the Health Care Authority (“HCA”) to develop annual outreach plans to promote the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (“SNAP”). This bill is unnecessary because the HCA already does extensive outreach promoting SNAP. In fact, New Mexico reports nation-leading participation rates, with the most recent data from the United States Department of Agriculture showing that more than 90% of eligible New Mexicans participate in the program. We continue to invite collaboration with advocacy groups to discuss ways to make meaningful improvements to our programs.

Because of these issues, and pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution, I have vetoed HOUSE BILL 77, enacted by the Fifty-Seventh Legislature, First Session, 2025.

Respectfully yours,

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

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