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2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS

Section I: General

Chamber: House  
Number: 210

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Short Title: HEALTH INFO EXCHANGE INFO SHARING

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Section II: Fiscal Impact

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation Contained		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY 26	FY 27		
\$	\$4,8134,813	Non-recurring	

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY 26	FY 27	FY 28		
\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-recurring	Fund Affected
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A

### Section III: Relationship to other legislation

Duplicates: None.

Conflicts with: None.

Companion to: None.

Relates to: None.

Duplicates/Relates to an Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act: None.

### Section IV: Narrative

#### 1. BILL SUMMARY

##### a) Synopsis

House Bill 210 (HB210) proposes to make a \$4,813,000 appropriation to the Health Care Authority (HCA) to encourage health care facilities to exchange health care information with the state's designated Health Information Exchange (HIE) and to cover the costs to those health care facilities for subscriptions to the HIE. HB 210 will reduce the cost barrier for HIE participation by health care facilities around the state.

Any unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027 would revert to the general fund.

Is this an amendment or substitution?  Yes  No

Is there an emergency clause?  Yes  No

##### b) Significant Issues

Contributing to and utilizing the HIE as a resource may reduce health care costs associated with redundant testing and medication errors.

NMDOH would benefit from increased participation by NM health care facilities in the HIE as it could lead to more complete data ([The impact of health information exchange on healthcare quality and cost-effectiveness: A systematic literature review - PubMed](#)). Thorough and complete data assist NMDOH in making timely, informed decisions about disease surveillance, intervention and prevention, in accordance with NMAC 7.4.3 CONTROL OF DISEASE AND CONDITIONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH SIGNIFICANCE ([Transforming Health Data to Actionable Information: Recent Progress and Future Opportunities in Health Information Exchange - PubMed](#))

#### 2. PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

- Does this bill impact the current delivery of NMDOH services or operations?  
 Yes  No
- Is this proposal related to the [NMDOH Strategic Plan \(FY25-27\)](#)?  Yes  No

The proposed legislation would contribute to DOH's Strategic Priority Area 2 - **Improve Health Outcomes through Data Driven Decisions** (FY25-FY27 Strategic Plan Update).

### 3. FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

- If there is an appropriation, is it included in the [Executive Budget Recommendation](#)?  
 Yes  No  N/A
- If there is an appropriation, is it included in the [LFC Budget Recommendations](#)?  
 Yes  No  N/A
- Does this bill have a fiscal impact on NMDOH?  Yes  No

### 4. ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Will this bill have an administrative impact on NMDOH?  Yes  No

### 5. DUPLICATION, CONFLICT, COMPANIONSHIP OR RELATIONSHIP

None.

### 6. TECHNICAL ISSUES

Are there technical issues with the bill?  Yes  No

### 7. LEGAL/REGULATORY ISSUES (OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES)

- Will administrative rules need to be updated or new rules written?  Yes  No
- Have there been changes in federal/state/local laws and regulations that make this legislation necessary (or unnecessary)?  Yes  No
- Does this bill conflict with federal grant requirements or associated regulations?  
 Yes  No
- Are there any legal problems or conflicts with existing laws, regulations, policies, or programs?  Yes  No

### 8. DISPARITIES ISSUES

SB210 may reduce cost barriers for health care facilities who otherwise may not participate in the HIE.

All New Mexicans could potentially be impacted by this bill. No health disparities would be anticipated from the passage of this bill.

### 9. HEALTH IMPACT(S)

Expanded participation in the Health Information Exchange by healthcare facilities may indirectly improve patient outcomes.

### 10. ALTERNATIVES

None.

### 11. WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL?

If HB210 is not passed, no appropriation to the Health Care Authority (HCA) would be made to encourage health care facilities to exchange health care information with New Mexico health information exchange and no health care facilities would be provided subscriptions to the HIE.

**12. AMENDMENTS**

None.