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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2026 REGULAR SESSION

SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Date Prepared: 1/26/2026

Check all that apply:

Bill Number: SB 101

Original x Correction
Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: Sens. Elizabeth Stefanics and Linda López; Reps. Reena Szczepansk and Elizabeth Thomson

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27		

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27	FY28		

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY26	FY27	FY28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total						

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

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BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis:

SB 101 Section 1 would repeal the delayed repeal of the Health Care Delivery and Access Act (“Act”). The Act was enacted as Chapter 41 of New Mexico Laws of 2024 and codified as NMSA 1978, 24A-8-1 to -7. The Act was created to provide funding and improve hospital reimbursements for Medicaid patients in New Mexico by establishing the Health Care and Delivery Access Fund (“Fund”). The Act is funded by the Health Care Delivery and Access Assessment, which is paid by hospitals providing inpatient and outpatient services.

The Act has a sunset clause (2024 N.M. Laws, ch. 41, § 7) and will be automatically repealed effective July 1, 2030. SB 101 would repeal the sunset clause, so that the Fund would continue to operate past 2030.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No implications for NMDOJ.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

No substantive issues. The Act would remain in force as it currently exists, indefinitely.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

N/A.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

N/A.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The Act will be automatically repealed on July 1, 2030.

AMENDMENTS

N/A.