

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION

PROPOSED AMENDMENT DIRECTED TO A COMMITTEE

February 14, 2026

Mr. Chair:

I propose to the SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE the following amendments to

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 47

1. On page 1, line 16, after the semicolon, insert "REQUIRING REPORTING OF MANDATORY CONSOLIDATED PURCHASING;".

2. On page 8, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

"SECTION 3. Section 13-7-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1997, Chapter 74, Section 4) is amended to read:

"13-7-4. MANDATORY CONSOLIDATED PURCHASING.--

A. The publicly funded health care agencies shall enter into a cooperative consolidated purchasing effort to provide plans of health care benefits for the benefit of eligible participants of the respective agencies. The request for [~~proposal~~] proposals shall set forth one or more plans of health care benefits and shall include accommodation of fully funded arrangements as well as varying degrees of self-funded pool options.

B. As part of the request for proposals process, a publicly funded health care agency serving public and charter schools shall consider fully funded and self-funded health insurance options and regional stay-well health centers designed to result in fixed cost components. Within sixty days of selections, the agency

shall present a report on the basis for the selections to the secretary of health care authority, the secretary of finance and administration and the legislative finance committee.

[B.] C. A consolidated purchasing request for proposals for all health care benefits by the publicly funded health care agencies shall be issued on or before July 1, 1999 and any contracts for health care benefits renewed or issued on or after July 1, 2000 shall be the result of consolidated purchasing.

[C.] D. All requests for proposals issued as part of the consolidated purchasing shall include at least one distinct service area consisting of the Albuquerque metropolitan area. Proposals on a distinct service area shall be evaluated separately."".

3. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.
4. On page 15, line 8, strike "and 4 through 6" and insert in lieu thereof ", 3 and 5 through 8".
5. On page 15, line 10, strike "3" and insert in lieu thereof "4".

Respectfully submitted,
