

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL 274

**57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026**

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;  
MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES  
DEPARTMENT, THE PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF  
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, THE AGING AND LONG-TERM SERVICES  
DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS.--

A. The following appropriations are made from the  
general fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2026. Any  
unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026  
shall revert to the general fund:

(1) two million seven hundred thousand dollars  
(\$2,700,000) to the juvenile justice division of the children,  
youth and families department to carry out the duties of that

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1 division; and

2 (2) seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) to the  
3 protective services division of the children, youth and  
4 families department to carry out the duties of that department.

5 B. The following appropriations are made from the  
6 general fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2027. Any  
7 unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027  
8 shall revert to the general fund:

9 (1) eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) to the  
10 children, youth and families department to finalize and  
11 implement the department's child welfare information system;

12 (2) four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to the  
13 public education department for school improvement activities;

14 (3) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to the  
15 department of finance and administration for payment to the  
16 Pueblo of Zia for past, present and future use by the state of  
17 the Zia symbol;

18 (4) four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to the  
19 aging and long-term services department for the department's  
20 New MexiCare program; and

21 (5) six million dollars (\$6,000,000) to the  
22 department of transportation for the rural air service  
23 enhancement grant program.