

HOUSE BILL 271

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2012

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE; CREATING A PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PREVENT AND REDUCE DIABETES AMONG NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. ~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM.--

A. The department of health shall coordinate with tribal public health programs and the Indian health service of the United States department of health and human services to develop protocols to prevent the occurrence of diabetes among Native American youth.

B. The department of health shall implement the protocols developed to prevent diabetes among Native American youth in urban centers and provide the support needed by tribal

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1 public health programs to implement those protocols.

2 C. The department of health shall report to the
3 appropriate interim legislative committee on the progress of
4 the diabetes prevention protocols required in this section by
5 November 2014 and at least every second year following the
6 first report.

7 D. As used in this section:

8 (1) "Native American" means a person who is a
9 member of a tribe;

10 (2) "tribal public health program" means a
11 program providing health services for the government of a tribe
12 located in New Mexico;

13 (3) "tribe" means a federally recognized
14 Indian nation, tribe or pueblo; and

15 (4) "youth" means a person who is eighteen
16 years of age or less.

17 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--Two hundred fifty thousand
18 dollars (\$250,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
19 department of health for expenditure in fiscal year 2013 to
20 coordinate with tribal public health programs to develop and
21 implement youth diabetes prevention protocols. Any unexpended
22 or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year
23 2013 shall revert to the general fund.