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PROPOSED AMENDMENT DIRECTED TO A COMMITTEE

February 3, 2024

Madam Chair:

I propose to the HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE the following amendments to

HOUSE BILL 213

1. On page 1, line 19, before the period, insert "; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS".

2. On page 2, line 18, after "less", strike the remainder of the line and strike line 19 up to "the".

3. On page 13, strike lines 8 through 11 and insert in lieu thereof:

"may be expended only as provided in this section.

B. Fifty percent of money in the fund is subject to appropriation by the legislature to support, and match federal funds for, the state medicaid program for the purpose of providing alcohol and substance use harms prevention, treatment and recovery services to individuals throughout New Mexico, including on lands of Indian nations, tribes and pueblos; provided that, for fiscal year 2027, five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) is appropriated to the Indian affairs department for expenditure in fiscal years 2027 through 2032 to contract for services with an entity with expertise in equity-based research to study the effects of tax policy on alcohol and substance use across demographics in New Mexico, including race, gender, sexuality, age and socioeconomic background. The department shall report its progress to the appropriate interim

legislative committees by November 1 of 2028 through 2031 and its final findings by November 1, 2032.

C. Forty percent of money in the fund is appropriated to the local government division of the department of finance and administration to make annual distributions to counties based on the ten-year average of alcohol-related injuries and deaths in each county. The division shall determine the amount of each distribution as of the end of each fiscal year and shall make the distributions on or before November 1 of each year. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance of a distribution to a county shall not revert to any fund.

D. Ten percent of money in the fund is appropriated to the Indian affairs department to make annual distributions to municipalities, counties and Indian nations, tribes and pueblos for culturally relevant alcohol and substance use disorder services and programs for Native American populations in New Mexico. The department shall determine the amount of each distribution as of the end of each fiscal year and shall make the distributions on or before November 1 of each year."

4. Reletter the succeeding subsection accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,
