

1 SENATE BILL 215

2 **55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2021**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO INCREASE PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENTS IN
12 THE AGING NETWORK.

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

15 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Five million two hundred
16 thousand dollars (\$5,200,000) is appropriated from the general
17 fund to the aging and long-term services department for
18 expenditure in fiscal year 2022 and subsequent fiscal years to
19 increase provider reimbursements in the aging network. The
20 department shall coordinate with the area agencies on aging to
21 develop a method of distribution that prioritizes small, rural
22 providers; providers at risk of closure or loss of services;
23 and providers with waiting lists. Any unexpended or
24 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year
25 shall not revert to the general fund.

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