1	SENATE BILL 508
2	54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019
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10	AN ACT
11	RELATING TO HEALTH; AMENDING THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO
12	REQUIRE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENTS TO LICENSED DOCTORS OF ORIENTAL
13	MEDICINE; REMOVING CERTAIN PROFESSIONS.
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
16	SECTION 1. Section 27-2-12 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1973,
17	Chapter 376, Section 16, as amended) is amended to read:
18	"27-2-12. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
19	A. Consistent with the federal act and subject to
20	the appropriation and availability of federal and state funds,
21	the medical assistance division of the department may by rule
22	provide medical assistance; [including] provided that the
23	medical assistance shall include the services of licensed
24	doctors of oriental medicine [licensed chiropractic physicians
25	and licensed dental hygienists in collaborating practice, to
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persons eligible for public assistance programs under the
federal act].

Subject to appropriation and availability of 3 Β. federal, state or other funds received by the state from public 4 or private grants or donations, the medical assistance division 5 of the department may by rule provide medical assistance, 6 7 including assistance in the payment of premiums for medical or long-term care insurance, to children up to the age of twelve 8 9 if not part of a sibling group; children up to the age of eighteen if part of a sibling group that includes a child up to 10 the age of twelve; and pregnant women who are residents of the 11 12 state of New Mexico and who are ineligible for public assistance under the federal act. The department, in 13 implementing the provisions of this subsection, shall: 14

(1) establish rules that encourage pregnantwomen to participate in prenatal care; and

(2) not provide a benefit package that exceeds the benefit package provided to state employees."

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