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Governor Susana Martinez State of New Mexico 490 Old Santa Fe Trail Room 400 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Governor Martinez:

New Mexico has seen some of the worst crimes against children in our state's history over the last several years. Some have heightened our awareness, and others have simply devastated entire communities.

I have sponsored several bills seeking to reform our Children, Youth, and Families Department (CYFD). The legislature has also budgeted critical items for CYFD. One of those items is the implementation of a new case management system called Enterprise Provider Information Constituent Services Project (EPICS). The EPICS project is projected to cost a total of \$19.8M. According to the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO), the EPICS project was to be completed on June 30, 2018. It is now August 14, 2018, putting this critical project two months behind schedule. After speaking with outgoing Secretary Daryl Ackley, I have also learned that only four the six modules for this implementation have been completed.



Source: http://www.doit.state.nm.us/dashboards/FY-2018-Q4/project_dashboards.html

I am writing today to ask you to ensure that the following happen:

- Prioritize the project immediately, as it is now two months behind schedule, after an expected 83 month implementation.
- Ensure that the project is properly resourced to ensure completion and quality.

- Confirm that the EPICS implementation will include an Application Programming Interface (API) with local law enforcement as part of its functionality, or another methodology for local law enforcement to access critical information in real-time.
- Make training and quality control a part of the implementation.
- Provide a revised completion date to ensure that all involved agencies, staff members, and others are aware of what to expect.

I know that you and I desire a safe and secure environment for all New Mexico children and families. I want to assure you that my letter is solely intended to draw your attention to this matter to ensure that it is completed as quickly and accurately as possible, now that it is two months behind schedule.

Thank you for your time. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be of service or answer any questions. You can reach me directly at (505)977-6247.

Very Respectfully,

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