| 1  | AN ACT  |
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| 2  | RELATING TO FRAUD AGAINST TAXPAYERS; CLARIFYING THAT THE      |
| 3  | FRAUD AGAINST TAXPAYERS ACT APPLIES TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS |
| 4  | AND CHARTER SCHOOLS AS WELL AS THE STATE.                     |
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| 6  | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:  |
| 7  | SECTION 1. Section 44-9-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007,         |
| 8  | Chapter 40, Section 2) is amended to read:                    |
| 9  | "44-9-2. DEFINITIONSAs used in the Fraud Against              |
| 10 | Taxpayers Act:  |
| 11 | A. "claim" means a request or demand for money,               |
| 12 | property or services when all or a portion of the money,      |
| 13 | property or services requested or demanded issues from or is  |
| 14 | provided or reimbursed by the state or a political            |
| 15 | subdivision;  |
| 16 | B. "employer" includes an individual, corporation             |
| 17 | firm, association, business, partnership, organization,       |
| 18 | trust, charter school and the state and any of its agencies,  |
| 19 | institutions or political subdivisions;                       |
| 20 | C. "knowingly" means that a person, with respect              |
| 21 | to information, acts:   |
| 22 | (1) with actual knowledge of the truth or                     |
| 23 | falsity of the information;                                   |

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(2) in deliberate ignorance of the truth or

(3) in reckless disregard of the truth or

corporation,