



PRIORTIES FOR THE 2021 NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE SESSION

LWV of New Mexico:

1. Redistricting
2. Decriminalization of Abortion
3. Primary Elections

LWV of Southern New Mexico:

1. Health Security Act (2019 SB 279).
2. Educational Funding:
 - a. Increase funding for online learning materials, including multicultural and technology;
 - b. Allow school districts to use prior-year student enrollment calculations (2019/20) to avoid significant decreases in funding due to declining enrollment during the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - c. Allow retired certified educators to return to work in public schools immediately without penalty in order to address the state's teacher and substitute shortages.
3. Broadband available as an essential public utility for all New Mexicans.
4. Green Energy that protects our environment and promotes responsible stewardship of our natural resources.

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