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Senator Greg Baca to Attend ARPA Bill Signing in Belen *Legislative appropriation paves way for hospital in Valencia County*

BELEN — Senator Greg Baca (District 29-Bernalillo and Valencia) will today attend the bill signing for House Bill 2, passed during the recent Special Session. Among the legislative appropriations in the bill is \$50 million for a potential acute care hospital in Valencia County.

Senator Baca released the following statement ahead of the signing applauding the Legislature's actions:

"I am eager to see this legislation through to the finish line. The recent lawsuit filed by myself and Senator Candelaria resulted in the return of ARPA funds being delivered back to the hands of New Mexicans. Now we have a real shot at delivering a much needed hospital in Valencia County to serve all of south central New Mexico because the legislature knows the needs of the community. Following the veto of the hospital bill last year I am happy to see that we finally have the support of the Governor and we can now bring proper health care to Valencia County."

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