SENATE BILL 553

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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AN ACT

RELATING TO POLICE SHOOTINGS; REQUIRING AN OFFICER INVOLVED IN A POLICE SHOOTING TO HAVE A PUBLIC PRELIMINARY HEARING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 31 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] POLICE SHOOTINGS--PRELIMINARY HEARING
REQUIRED.--If a peace officer discharges a firearm resulting in
death while carrying out the duties of the officer's office or
employment, the prosecuting attorney shall present evidence in
a preliminary hearing before the district court in whose
jurisdiction the incident occurred."

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2013.
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