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Tribal Education Trust Fund

Catholic Bishops of New Mexico Urge the Passage of HB134 to Establish a New Tribal Trust Fund

This is an important step in achieving justice and equity for the Native people of New Mexico. All 22 Tribal nations support this legislation. This fund will assist in achieving the goals of creating equity for the children represented in the Yazzie/Martinez lawsuit.

Education, language preservation, and usage are gifts from God for all children to have opportunity to preserve their languages.

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