

Why the Governor's special session tax "reform" would be **BAD** for New Mexico

It would tax groceries, making it more difficult for families to put food on the table

That's BAD for New Mexico because:

New Mexico has the **2nd highest rate** of child hunger in the nation



25% of our children already don't get enough to eat

Low-income New Mexicans already miss, on average, **12 meals per month**



That comes to a statewide total of **117 million meals** missed per year

It would tax prescription medications, hearing aides, and prosthetic limbs

That's BAD for New Mexico because:

Those in the **lowest income** group spend more than

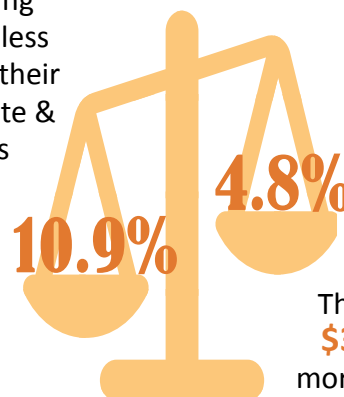
5X as much on **medical supplies and drugs**, as a share of their income, than do those in the highest income group

It would raise the personal income tax rate for everyone—with the lowest-income families receiving the highest increase

That's BAD for New Mexico because:

Low-income New Mexicans already pay the **heaviest tax load** in state and local taxes

Those earning **\$17,000** or less pay 10.9% of their income in state & local taxes

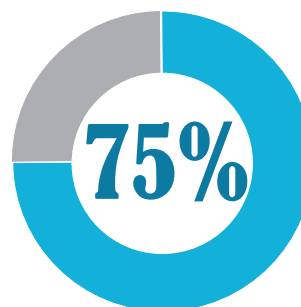


Those earning **\$338,000** or more pay 4.8% of their income in state & local taxes

It would tax nonprofits on all of their purchases and some of their income

That's BAD for New Mexico because:

75% of all New Mexico nonprofits serve people who are **low-income or poor**



And **63%** serve children, youth, and/or families

A special session is NOT the time to tackle complex tax reform