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I think this bill is ridiculous!

Another example of our state government overstepping its authority and looking for ways to make the cost of doing business in New Mexico more difficult and more expensive. We live in the southwest! It is hot sometimes both inside and outside. I've worked in the field bucking bales of alfalfa, I've worked in greenhouses, I've done work on a farm, I've worked as a lifeguard at a swimming pool in Las Cruces... I survived them all by exercising common sense, hydrate, wear the correct clothing and headgear, take breaks if necessary, we don't need "Big Brother, or Big Sister or Big whatever" dictating and trying to control everything businesses do, especially small businesses. This will just be another handful of gravel into the wheels of progress that will further damage our states ability to grow and will give employees a way to "play the system" and not work! I've seen window washers cleaning glass on high rise building in Phoenix, AZ when the temperature is over 110 degrees Fahrenheit! If anything, teach workers to look out for each others and have employers provide plenty of cold beverages, and appropriate PPE or in some cases a fan to cool employees off. Keep it simple! Don't place additional roadblocks to progress and don't give employees a way to get out of doing the work they were hired for and the job that they accepted. One last note... I have a relative in Arizona that does auto detailing for car dealerships. He more often than not is working on 100 degree or higher temperatures for many hours each day... he wears light breathable clothing, he sets up a portable shade structure, he keeps a cooler full of cold beverages such as water and Gatorade, he applies sunscreen, he has a portable fan, and if necessary, he sprays his hat and shirt with water to create an evaporative cooler effect. All common sense solutions... not someone running around with a thermometer telling him it's time to take action.