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Governor Bill Richardson to Sign Mescalero Gaming Compact Today

Governor Richardson will also discuss DWI and other issues

SANTA FE- Governor Bill Richardson will hold a news conference today to sign a new gaming compact with the Mescalero Apache Tribe in Santa Fe.

Governor Richardson will also discuss his efforts to battle DWI, including an upcoming DWI enforcement blitz, and the Governor's request that the state Supreme Court change its rules to allow lower courts to hear DWI and domestic violence cases beyond the 6-month time period that has, in effect, prevented many DWI convictions in the past.

Governor Richardson will announce a summit he will host with the state judiciary.

Governor Richardson will also announce the appointment of an independent counsel to conduct the investigation into the status of developmentally disabled New Mexican's discharged from state hospitals in Los Lunas and Fort Stanton.

The news conference is scheduled for TODAY at 1:30 p.m. in the Governor's Cabinet Room.

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