

1 HOUSE BILL 1
2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2024**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM
12 LEGISLATIVE CASH BALANCES FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE FIRST
13 SPECIAL SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE; MAKING
14 APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO CERTAIN EXECUTIVE
15 AGENCIES FOR FLOODING AND FIRE RESPONSE, RECOVERY AND
16 MITIGATION; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO
17 THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS FOR ASSISTED OUTPATIENT
18 TREATMENT PROGRAMS AND COMPETENCY DIVERSION PILOT PROGRAMS.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

21 SECTION 1. SPECIAL SESSION--APPROPRIATIONS.--

22 A. The following amounts are appropriated from
23 legislative cash balances for expenditure in fiscal year 2025
24 for the following expenses of the first special session of the
25 fifty-sixth legislature:

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1 (1) for the expense of the house of
2 representatives, eighty-three thousand eight hundred dollars
3 (\$83,800) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the speaker and
4 the chief clerk of the house of representatives or the chief
5 clerk's designee;

6 (2) for the expense of the senate, sixty
7 thousand four hundred dollars (\$60,400) to be disbursed on
8 vouchers signed by the chair of the committees' committee and
9 the chief clerk of the senate or the chief clerk's designee;
10 and

11 (3) for the expense of the legislative council
12 service, sixty-seven thousand seven hundred dollars (\$67,700)
13 to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of the
14 legislative council service or the director's designee.

15 B. Following adjournment of the first special
16 session of the fifty-sixth legislature, expenditures authorized
17 in this section shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
18 director of the legislative council service or the director's
19 designee.

20 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS--CERTAIN EXECUTIVE AGENCIES--
21 FLOODING AND FIRE RESPONSE, RECOVERY AND MITIGATION.--

22 A. Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is
23 appropriated from the general fund to the Indian affairs
24 department for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 for distribution
25 to the Mescalero Apache Tribe for damages and losses caused by

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1 the South Fork and Salt fires. Any unexpended or unencumbered
2 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025 shall revert
3 to the general fund.

4 B. Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is
5 appropriated from the general fund to the energy, minerals and
6 natural resources department, in consultation with the homeland
7 security and emergency management department, for expenditure
8 in fiscal year 2025 for wildfire mitigation; watershed
9 restoration, slope stabilization, erosion control and post-fire
10 management made necessary by damages from flooding or a
11 wildfire, including damages from flooding or debris flows
12 attributable to a wildfire; and regional master planning of
13 public infrastructure reconstruction due to damages caused by
14 flooding or a wildfire, including damages from flooding or
15 debris flows attributable to a wildfire. Any unexpended or
16 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025
17 shall revert to the general fund.

18 C. Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is
19 appropriated from the general fund to the homeland security and
20 emergency management department for expenditure in fiscal years
21 2025 and 2026 to provide support for individuals and businesses
22 in the state throughout the application or claims process for
23 receiving public assistance funding from the federal emergency
24 management agency and in making private insurance claims, in
25 consultation with the office of superintendent of insurance,

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1 for damages caused by flooding or a fire, including damages
2 from flooding or debris flows attributable to the fire, that
3 results in approved federal public assistance funding. Any
4 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of
5 fiscal year 2026 shall revert to the general fund.

6 D. Seventy million dollars (\$70,000,000) is
7 appropriated from the general fund to the board of finance
8 division of the department of finance and administration for
9 expenditure in fiscal years 2025 and 2026 to provide zero-
10 interest reimbursable loans to political subdivisions of the
11 state that have been approved for federal public assistance
12 funding for projects to replace or repair public infrastructure
13 damaged by the Salt and South Fork fires, including damages
14 from flooding or debris flows attributable to those fires. The
15 division shall require a contract for reimbursement from a
16 political subdivision of the state receiving a loan that shall
17 include a requirement that the political subdivision repay the
18 loan first using dollars received from the federal funding that
19 serves as the basis for the loan. Any unexpended or
20 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026
21 shall revert to the general fund.

22 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION--ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE
23 COURTS--ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS AND COMPETENCY
24 DIVERSION PILOT PROGRAMS.--Three million dollars (\$3,000,000)
25 is appropriated from the general fund to the administrative

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1 office of the courts for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 to
2 fund assisted outpatient treatment programs and competency
3 diversion pilot programs. Any unexpended or unencumbered
4 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025 shall revert
5 to the general fund.

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