

HOUSE BILL 199

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
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AN ACT

RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT FEES; ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY TO COLLECT ACCESS FEES ON ITS LAW ENFORCEMENT
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS; CREATING A FUND; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. LAW ENFORCEMENT TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS--
ACCESS FEES.--The department of public safety may charge
local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, criminal
justice agencies and other users a monthly access fee for
each circuit location to access the department's law
enforcement telecommunications systems. The access fee shall
be set by the secretary of public safety in an amount not to
exceed the actual cost of providing access to the systems.

Section 2. FUND--CREATED--APPROPRIATION.--The "law
enforcement telecommunications fund" is created in the state

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1 treasury. Money received from law enforcement
2 telecommunications systems access fees shall be deposited in
3 the fund. Unexpended or unencumbered balances in the fund
4 shall revert to the general fund at the end of any fiscal
5 year. The department of public safety shall administer the
6 fund, and money in the fund is appropriated to the department
7 to offset the expense of operating, maintaining and expanding
8 its law enforcement telecommunications systems. Money in the
9 fund shall be expended upon warrant drawn by the secretary of
10 finance and administration on vouchers signed by the
11 secretary of public safety or his authorized representative.