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**SENATE BILL 488**

**45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001**

**INTRODUCED BY**

**John Arthur Smith**

**AN ACT**

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AN INCREASE IN CHILD-CARE SERVICES  
REIMBURSEMENT IN RURAL AREAS.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- One million five hundred  
thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) is appropriated from the general  
fund to the children, youth and families department for  
expenditure in fiscal year 2002 for the purpose of increasing  
the reimbursement rates for child care provided in rural  
areas. This appropriation shall be expended to increase the  
reimbursement rate for child-care services for children of all  
ages provided in rural areas by no more than twenty-five  
percent of the difference between the rates paid for  
reimbursement in metropolitan areas and the rates paid for  
reimbursement in rural areas. Any unexpended or unencumbered**

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balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert  
to the general fund.

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