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HOUSE BILL 618

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; CREATING THE SOLID WASTE
TRANSPORTATION GRANT FUND; PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN
MUNICIPALITIES FACED WITH HIGH SOLID WASTE TRANSPORTATION
COSTS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. SOLID WASTE TRANSPORTATION GRANT FUND.--

A. The "solid waste transportation grant fund" is
created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of
appropriations, gifts, grants, donations and bequests made to
the fund. Income from the fund shall be credited to the fund,
and money in the fund shall not revert or be transferred to any
other fund at the end of a fiscal year. Money in the fund is
appropriated to the department of environment for the purposes
of making grants approved pursuant to Subsection B of this

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1 section. Expenditures from the fund shall be made on warrant
2 of the secretary of finance and administration on vouchers
3 signed by the secretary of environment.

4 B. Upon application by a municipality and to the
5 extent that money is available for such purposes, the
6 department of environment may award grants from the solid waste
7 transportation grant fund to reimburse or partially reimburse
8 solid waste transportation costs incurred by municipalities
9 that transport solid waste fifteen miles or more from the
10 boundary of the municipality to a landfill disposal facility.
11 The reimbursement shall be an amount per ton of solid waste
12 transported per mile and shall be established by rule of the
13 environmental improvement board.

14 C. The environmental improvement board shall, by
15 rule, develop application requirements and criteria for
16 evaluating and prioritizing applications for grants from the
17 solid waste transportation grant fund."

18 Section 2. APPROPRIATION.--Five million dollars
19 (\$5,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the solid
20 waste transportation grant fund for expenditure in fiscal year
21 2006 and subsequent fiscal years for the purpose of awarding
22 grants, pursuant to Section 1 of this act, to reimburse
23 municipalities for solid waste transportation costs. Any
24 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a
25 fiscal year shall not revert.

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