

1 SENATE BILL 225

2 **51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES
12 DEPARTMENT TO FUND A DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO IMPROVE THE
13 QUALITY OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION THROUGH TEACHER RETENTION.

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

16 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Three hundred thousand dollars
17 (\$300,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
18 children, youth and families department for expenditure in
19 fiscal year 2014 to fund a demonstration project to increase
20 the quality of early childhood education for children from
21 birth to five years of age by providing incentives to increase
22 retention of teachers in early childhood education programs.
23 The department shall contract for operation of the
24 demonstration project through a nonprofit entity with at least
25 two years' demonstrated experience in achieving zero attrition

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1 among early childhood education teachers. Any unexpended or
2 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2014
3 shall revert to the general fund.

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