

HOUSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, LAND GRANTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 671

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT TO
CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE CULTURAL RESOURCES STUDY AND INVENTORY
REPORT WITHIN THE NAVAJO CHAPTERS OF OJO ENCINO AND TORREON-
STAR LAKE.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One hundred thousand dollars
(\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
cultural affairs department for expenditure in fiscal year 2020
to conduct a comprehensive cultural resources study and
inventory report within the Navajo chapters of Ojo Encino and
Torreon-Star Lake to be conducted by a recognized expert in
archaeology and ethnohistory. The study shall utilize existing
light detection and ranging data of Chacoan roads, outliers and

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1 other cultural resources in the chapters and include
2 documentation of interviews with elders, residents and
3 traditional users of the land. The report shall include
4 records of all surveyed parcels in the chapters in addition to
5 current information on those parcels, a survey of all proposed
6 oil or gas well sites, roads and pipeline rights of ways; and
7 investigation of known traditional cultural properties. Any
8 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of
9 fiscal year 2020 shall revert to the general fund.