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SENATE BILL 626

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

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; CREATING THE EXTENSION FOR
COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE OUTCOMES FOR EDUCATION CENTER IN THE
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO PROMOTE AND DEVELOP EXPERTISE
AMONG KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE TEACHERS IN NEW
MEXICO; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 9-25-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2005,
Chapter 289, Section 1) is amended to read:

"9-25-1. SHORT TITLE.--~~[Sections 1 through 13 of this
act]~~ Chapter 9, Article 25 NMSA 1978 may be cited as the
"Higher Education Department Act"."

SECTION 2. A new section of the Higher Education
Department Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] EXTENSION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE

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1 OUTCOMES FOR EDUCATION CENTER--CREATED.--

2 A. The "extension for community healthcare outcomes
3 for education center" is created in the department.

4 B. The extension for community healthcare outcomes
5 for education center shall develop the expertise of education
6 practitioners in New Mexico in college and career readiness,
7 English language learning, special education, multicultural
8 education and students in poverty. The center shall provide
9 effective, sustainable and innovative professional learning for
10 kindergarten through twelfth grade educators starting in the
11 first semester of the 2019-2020 school year.

12 C. The extension for community healthcare outcomes
13 for education center shall build virtual learning communities
14 in college and career readiness, English language learning,
15 special education, multicultural education and students in
16 poverty. The communities shall be designed to connect remote,
17 isolated education practitioners and teacher leaders to
18 collaborative, focused, timely and relevant professional
19 learning. Each community shall offer several experts providing
20 workshops in the most effective, practical and innovative
21 knowledge pertinent to that community and tools to build each
22 education practitioner's expertise."

23 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.--Seven hundred fifty thousand
24 dollars (\$750,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
25 higher education department for expenditure in fiscal year 2020

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1 to fund the extension for community healthcare outcomes for
2 education center. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
3 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2020 shall revert to the
4 general fund.

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