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SENATE BILL 116

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; CREATING THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE BUILDINGS
FUND; PROVIDING FOR GRANTS TO CERTAIN COUNTIES FOR COURTHOUSE
PROJECTS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] COUNTY COURTHOUSE BUILDINGS
FUND--CREATION--ADMINISTRATION--PURPOSES.--

A. The "county courthouse buildings fund" is
created within the state treasury and shall be administered by
the administrative office of the courts. The fund consists of
money appropriated by the legislature and any other federal,
public or private money dedicated to the fund. Interest earned
shall be credited to the fund, and money in the fund shall not
revert to any other fund at the end of a fiscal year. Money in
the fund shall be disbursed on warrants signed by the director

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1 of finance and administration pursuant to vouchers signed by
2 the director of the administrative office of the courts. The
3 administrative office of the courts shall adopt rules necessary
4 to administer the fund.

5 B. Money in the county courthouse buildings fund is
6 appropriated to the administrative office of the courts to:

7 (1) make grants to counties to remodel,
8 renovate or construct courthouses, excluding the purchase of
9 land or buildings; provided that the grant shall be expended
10 only for courtrooms and court-related facilities; and

11 (2) administer the provisions of this section.

12 C. The administrative office of the courts shall
13 adopt rules governing the terms and conditions of grants made
14 from the county courthouse buildings fund. Grants shall be
15 made from the fund only if the county provides matching funding
16 for a proposed project, which shall be in an amount equal to
17 the grant. Grants from the county courthouse buildings fund
18 shall be made only after the administrative office of the
19 courts has determined that the financing for the complete
20 project is cost-effective.

21 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--Twenty million dollars
22 (\$20,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
23 county courthouse buildings fund for expenditure in fiscal year
24 2023 and subsequent fiscal years for the purposes of that fund.
25 Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of

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