

1 SENATE BILL 148

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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8 FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO
12 STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING ADDITIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS
13 FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS AND COMMUNITY PEER COUNSELORS AT
14 COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND BRANCH CAMPUSES.

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

17 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One hundred thousand dollars
18 (\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the higher
19 education department for expenditure in fiscal year 2024 to
20 study the feasibility of creating additional training programs
21 for community health workers and community peer counselors at
22 community colleges and branch campuses. Any unexpended or
23 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2024
24 shall revert to the general fund.

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