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SENATE BILL

56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A VIABLE, VOLUNTARY AND INCENTIVE-BASED STATEWIDE COMPOSTING PROGRAM.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the board of regents of New Mexico state university for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 for the New Mexico department of agriculture to assess the viability of a statewide composting program by convening a working group composed of representatives from state agencies, counties, universities, agriculture groups, conservation associations and districts, nongovernmental organizations, chambers of commerce, composting coalitions and

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1 businesses, Indian nations, tribes and pueblos, land grants and
2 acequias to develop findings and recommendations for a viable,
3 voluntary and incentive-based statewide composting program that
4 includes education and food waste diversion and present those
5 findings and recommendations to the New Mexico department of
6 agriculture and an appropriate interim legislative committee by
7 October 1, 2024. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
8 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025 shall revert to the
9 general fund.

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