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SENATE BILL 486

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

INTRODUCED BY

GLORIA HOWES

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ROAD FUND; PROVIDING THAT COUNTY ARTERIAL PROGRAM BALANCES REMAIN FOR DISTRIBUTION IN THE SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR.

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

Section 1. Section 67-3-28.2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1986, Chapter 20, Section 125, as amended) is amended to read:

"67-3-28.2. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ROAD FUND CREATED--USES.--

A. There is created in the state treasury the "local governments road fund" to be administered by the department.

All income received from investment of the fund shall be credited to the fund. No money in the fund shall be used by the department to administer any program, and no entity receiving a distribution pursuant to a program requiring matching funds shall use another distribution made pursuant to this section to

meet the match required.

B. No more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) annually from the local governments road fund shall be used by the department to purchase at fair market value, for municipalities and counties that can demonstrate financial hardship as determined by the department, automotive, major road and miscellaneous equipment that would otherwise be sold at auction by the department as unusable for department purposes. The department shall adopt rules setting the procedure to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

- C. Except for the amount in Subsection B of this section, money in the local governments road fund shall be distributed in the following amounts for the specified purposes:
- agreements program, to be used solely for the cooperative agreements entered into pursuant to Section 67-3-28 NMSA 1978 and in accordance with the match authorized pursuant to Section 67-3-32 NMSA 1978; provided, however, that distribution amounts made pursuant to this paragraph in each year shall be based on the following allocations:
- (a) thirty-three percent for agreements entered into with counties:
- (b) forty-nine percent for agreements entered into with municipalities;

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(c) fourteen percent for agreements

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entered into with school districts; and

(d) four percent for agreements entered into with other entities:

- program, to be used solely for the necessary project development, construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, repair and right-of-way and material acquisition of and for those streets that are principal extensions of rural state highways and of other streets not on the state highway system but that qualify under the designated criteria established by the department. In entering into agreements with municipalities to provide funds for any project qualifying for the municipal arterial program, the department shall give preference to municipalities that contribute an amount equal to at least twenty-five percent of the project cost;
- (3) sixteen percent for school bus routes, to be used solely for cooperative agreements entered into pursuant to Section 67-3-28 NMSA 1978 and in accordance with the match authorized pursuant to Section 67-3-32 NMSA 1978 for acquiring rights of way and constructing, maintaining, repairing, improving and paving school bus routes and public school parking lots; and
- (4) twenty-six percent for the county arterial program, to be used for project development, construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, repair and right-of-

way and material acquisition of and for county roads for which individual counties have prioritized road projects. Prior to entering into any agreements for projects with the counties for the following fiscal year, in June of each year the department shall determine and certify the amount to which each county is entitled pursuant to the following schedule:

Road Mileage Category Based on

Number of Miles Maintained

By a County:	Entitlement to County:
400 miles or under	\$250 for each mile
401 to 800 miles	\$100,000 plus \$200 for each
	mile over 400 miles
801 to 1,200 miles	\$180,000 plus \$150 for each
	mile over 800 miles
1,201 to 1,600 miles	\$240,000 plus \$100 for each
	mile over 1,200 miles
Over 1,600 miles	\$300,000 plus \$50 for each
	mile over 1,600 miles.

If in any year there is an insufficient amount in the fund of the county arterial program to certify the total amount to which all counties are entitled, the department shall decrease the entitlement amount due to each county in the same proportion as the insufficiency is to the total entitlements to all counties. Distribution of an entitlement amount and an agreement entered into with a county for any of the purposes for

which the money may be spent requires an amount from the county equal to at least twenty-five percent of the entitlement. Any uncommitted or unencumbered balance remaining in the county arterial program fund at the end of a fiscal year shall [be transferred to the cooperative agreement program specified in Paragraph (1) of this subsection] remain in the fund for additional funding of that program in the next fiscal year.

D. The department may transfer funds from the state road fund to the local governments road fund to facilitate cash flow for the funding of these local governments road projects. The administrator of the local governments road fund shall reimburse the state road fund in a timely manner for any such transfers."

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JANUARY 30, 1996

Mr. President:

Your **COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be **GERMANE**, PURSUANT TO CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS, and thence referred to the **INDIAN AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**.

Respectfully submitted,

SENATOR MANNY M ARAGON, Chairman

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Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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