HOUSE BILL 516

57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE SUPREME COURT TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE GAPS IN LEGAL SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF COST-EFFECTIVE LEGAL PROGRAMS TO ADDRESS THOSE GAPS.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the supreme court for expenditure in fiscal year 2026 to convene a task force to study the gaps in legal services for victims of domestic violence and to make recommendations for the design and implementation of cost-effective legal programs to address those gaps. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026 shall revert to the general

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