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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 TOURISM DEPARTMENT FOR A HIGH SCHOOL HOSPITALITY CAREER PROGRAM THAT SUPPORTS THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TALENT PIPELINE FOR THE STATE'S HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the tourism department for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 and subsequent fiscal years for a high school hospitality career program that supports the development of a talent pipeline for the state's hospitality industry that includes a nationally recognized curriculum and offers high school students the opportunity to work in the hospitality industry and earn wages. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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