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HOUSE BILL 312

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,  
2000**

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FOR THE WELFARE REFORM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF  
WOMEN TO CONTINUE TEAMWORKS, A JOB PLACEMENT PROGRAM THAT IS  
TO BE COUNTED TOWARD THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENT OF  
THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--One million two hundred  
thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) is appropriated from the  
general fund to the commission on the status of women for  
expenditure in fiscal year 2001 for the purpose of continuing  
to implement TEAMWORKS, a job placement program for persons  
eligible to receive temporary assistance for needy families  
who are referred to the commission by the human services  
department from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001. The  
commission shall cooperate and coordinate with the human  
services department. Prior to the expenditure of any of the

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1 appropriation, the commission shall seek approval for each  
2 program it develops from the human services department.  
3 Expenditure of any of the appropriation is contingent upon  
4 certification by the secretary of human services to the  
5 department of finance and administration that the commission  
6 has entered into an agreement with the human services  
7 department that provides for programs that maintain a work-  
8 first concept; programs that contain measurable performance  
9 standards; programs that identify the number of target  
10 clients; programs that provide a tracking and reporting  
11 element; and appropriate administrative and accounting  
12 procedures and oversight by the human services department to  
13 ensure that expenditures shall meet all federal and state  
14 requirements for maintenance of effort, including adherence  
15 to the cap on the administrative costs. Additionally, the  
16 commission shall provide quarterly reports of all its  
17 expenditures to the human services department, the welfare  
18 reform oversight committee and the legislative finance  
19 committee. The appropriation shall not be expended for any  
20 purpose that may jeopardize its classification as maintenance  
21 of effort. The appropriation shall be reported by the human  
22 services department as maintenance of effort. Any unexpended  
23 or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year  
24 2001 shall revert to the general fund.  
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