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HOUSE BILL 348

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

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO CONTRACT FOR A STATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ASSESSMENT.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. Four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000)
is appropriated from the general fund to the information
technology management office for expenditure in fiscal year
2001 for contract services to perform a technical,
quantitative assessment of the telecommunications
infrastructure in the state.

B. Components of the assessment shall include
modeling of new digital technology coverage for state radio
and public broadcast television, identification of leapfrog
technologies that can fill the connectivity gap and

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1 assessments of state radio-emergency communications
2 infrastructure; military communications infrastructure;
3 public broadcast television coverage; connectivity of public
4 schools, institutions of higher learning and libraries;
5 public health facilities; and existing state agency
6 connectivity.

7 C. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
8 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the
9 general fund.