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HOUSE BILL 380

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

INTRODUCED BY  
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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT; MAKING  
APPROPRIATIONS NECESSARY FOR THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, INCLUDING EXPENSES OF THE SECOND SESSION  
OF THE FORTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE AND THE SALARIES OF THE  
EMPLOYEES OF THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE; DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS--SESSION EXPENSES.--The  
following appropriations are made in order to defray the  
necessary costs of the second session of the forty-fourth  
legislature:

A. sixty-three thousand eight hundred sixty-two  
dollars (\$63,862) is appropriated from legislative cash  
balances and two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) is  
appropriated from the general fund to the senate for session

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1 expenses other than salaries or employee benefits. Any  
2 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of  
3 fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the general fund;

4 B. fifty thousand fifty dollars (\$50,050) is  
5 appropriated from legislative cash balances and two hundred  
6 fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) is appropriated from the  
7 general fund to the house of representatives for session  
8 expenses other than salaries or employee benefits. Any  
9 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of  
10 fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the general fund; and

11 C. the expenditures for the house of  
12 representatives shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the  
13 speaker and chief clerk of the house; the expenditures for  
14 the senate shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the  
15 chairman of the committees' committee and the chief clerk of  
16 the senate; provided that, following adjournment of the  
17 session, expenditures authorized under this section shall be  
18 disbursed upon vouchers signed by the director of the  
19 legislative council service.

20 Section 2. APPROPRIATIONS--LEGISLATIVE FINANCE  
21 COMMITTEE STAFF.--

22 A. One million six hundred eighty-six thousand two  
23 hundred dollars (\$1,686,200) is appropriated from the general  
24 fund to the legislative finance committee for expenditure in  
25 fiscal year 2001 for the purpose of paying the personal  
services of the committee staff. Any unexpended or  
unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2001

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1 shall revert to the general fund.

2 B. Five hundred one thousand nine hundred dollars  
3 (\$501,900) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
4 legislative finance committee for expenditure in fiscal year  
5 2001 for the purpose of paying the employee benefits of the  
6 committee staff. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance  
7 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the  
8 general fund.

9 C. Expenditures authorized pursuant to this  
10 section shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the  
11 legislative finance chairman of the committee or the  
12 chairman's designated representative.

13 Section 3. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public  
14 peace, health and safety that this act take effect  
15 immediately.