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HOUSE BILL 401

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

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO FUND MODEL HOME- AND COMMUNITY-
BASED LONG-TERM CARE PROJECTS IN SILVER CITY AND ESPANOLA.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the state agency on aging for expenditure in fiscal year 2001 for model projects in Silver City and Espanola that will provide funding directly to low-income, frail elders:

(1) who require home- and community-based services;

(2) whose income does not qualify them for the medicaid personal care option;

(3) who are qualified to receive disabled and elderly waiver services;

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1 (4) who qualify to receive homemaking, home
2 health, attendant care, personal care, respite care or adult
3 daycare services funded by the disabled and elderly waiver
4 but are not receiving those services; and

5 (5) who may be currently residing in a long-
6 term care facility because they are on the waiting list for
7 the disabled and elderly waiver.

8 B. The model projects shall be designed to provide
9 the data needed to determine the cost-effectiveness of
10 providing funding directly to qualified low-income, frail
11 elders as an alternative to institutionalization and to
12 determine if direct funding to low-income, frail elders
13 causes service provision to be more efficient, effective and
14 timely than current service provision models.

15 C. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
16 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the
17 general fund.