

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR FEDERAL LITIGATION FOR PROTECTION
OF THE PECOS RIVER AND THE RIO GRANDE.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --Two million sixty-five thousand two hundred dollars (\$2,065,200) is appropriated from the general fund to the office of the state engineer for expenditure in fiscal years 2002 through 2005 to pay for expenses associated with litigation and negotiations over Pecos River and Rio Grande management pursuant to federal natural resource policies. No money in this appropriation may be used in water rights adjudications involving political subdivisions of the state. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2005 shall revert to the general fund. _____