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HOUSE BILL 538

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

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AN ACT

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AN INCREASE IN CHILD-CARE SERVICES
REIMBURSEMENT IN RURAL AREAS.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- One million five hundred
thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) is appropriated from the general
fund to the children, youth and families department for
expenditure in fiscal year 2002 for the purpose of increasing
the reimbursement rates for child care provided in rural
areas. This appropriation shall be expended to increase the
reimbursement rate for child-care services for children of all
ages provided in rural areas by no more than twenty-five
percent of the difference between the rates paid for
reimbursement in metropolitan areas and the rates paid for
reimbursement in rural areas. Any unexpended or unencumbered**

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1 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert
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