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**SENATE BILL 282**

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

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**AN ACT**

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF  
AGRICULTURE TO FINANCE A PILOT PROJECT TO CONVERT PRODUCED  
WATER TO POTABLE WATER IN EDDY AND LEA COUNTIES.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --Five hundred thousand dollars  
(\$500,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the New  
Mexico department of agriculture for expenditure in fiscal  
year 2002 to finance a pilot project in Eddy and Lea counties  
through the ~~manufactured water committee~~, a committee  
established pursuant to a joint powers agreement between the  
Lea county soil and water conservation district and the  
Carlsbad soil and water conservation district. The pilot  
project shall be conducted to demonstrate the feasibility of  
converting water produced in oil and gas production to potable**

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1 water. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at  
2 the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the general fund.

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