

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL 287

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

AN ACT

RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO
CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WHEN ONE OF THE AGENCY'S
OFFICERS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR
CERTIFICATION SET FORTH IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACT AT
A CERTIFIED REGIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING FACILITY;
CREATING A FUND; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. A new section of the Law Enforcement Training
Act is enacted to read:

"NEW MATERIAL REIMBURSEMENT TO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT
AGENCIES WHEN ONE OF THE AGENCY'S OFFICERS SUCCESSFULLY
COMPLETES THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION SET FORTH IN
THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACT AT A CERTIFIED REGIONAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT TRAINING FACILITY. --

1 A. The department of public safety shall reimburse
2 a municipal or county law enforcement agency at the rate of
3 three thousand dollars (\$3,000), or to the extent that funds
4 are appropriated, when one of the agency's officers
5 successfully completes the qualifications for certification
6 set forth in Section 29-7-6 NMSA 1978 at a certified regional
7 law enforcement training facility.

8 B. Upon approval by the director, reimbursement
9 payments shall be issued by the director of the training and
10 recruiting division of the department of public safety on a
11 quarterly basis and shall be predicated on the number of
12 officers who successfully complete the qualifications for
13 certification set forth in Section 29-7-6 NMSA 1978 at a
14 certified regional law enforcement training facility during
15 the immediately preceding quarter. "

16 Section 2. A new section of the Law Enforcement Training
17 Act is enacted to read:

18 "[NEW MATERIAL] FUND CREATED--PURPOSE. --

19 A. The "law enforcement basic training
20 reimbursement fund" is created in the state treasury.

21 B. Money in the law enforcement basic training
22 reimbursement fund shall be used to reimburse a municipal or
23 county law enforcement agency when one of the agency's
24 officers successfully completes the qualifications for
25 certification set forth in Section 29-7-6 NMSA 1978 at a

1 certified regional law enforcement training facility.

2 C. Payments from the law enforcement basic
3 training reimbursement fund shall be made upon vouchers issued
4 and signed by the director of the training and recruiting
5 division of the department of public safety, subject to
6 approval by the director.

7 D. Beginning in fiscal year 2003, the director of
8 the training and recruiting division of the department of
9 public safety shall forecast the amount of reimbursement
10 expected in each fiscal year and shall request that necessary
11 funds be appropriated to the law enforcement basic training
12 reimbursement fund. "

13 Section 3. APPROPRIATION. -- Four hundred fifty thousand
14 dollars (\$450,000) is appropriated from the general fund to
15 the law enforcement basic training reimbursement fund for
16 expenditure in fiscal year 2002 so that the department of
17 public safety may reimburse a municipal or county law
18 enforcement agency when one of the agency's officers
19 successfully completes the qualifications for certification
20 set forth in Section 29-7-6 NMSA 1978 at a certified regional
21 law enforcement training facility. Any unexpended or
22 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002
23 shall revert to the general fund.

24 Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the
25 provisions of this act is July 1, 2001.

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