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HOUSE BILL 232

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2002

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MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PRODUCE AND DISTRIBUTE STATEWIDE A  
BOOKLET PROVIDING INFORMATION TO HELP PREVENT DIVORCE.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- One hundred thousand dollars  
(\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the board  
of regents of New Mexico state university for the cooperative  
extension service for expenditure in fiscal year 2003 to  
produce and distribute a booklet entitled *Before You Check  
Out-Check Your Options* that would offer couples in conflict a  
range of options available to them prior to marriage  
dissolution. The available options shall include statewide  
private, public and faith-based programs and counseling  
services. Additionally, the booklet shall offer guidance  
regarding communication skills, conflict resolution, financial

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1 counseling, substance abuse issues, ending an affair,  
2 rebuilding or recommitting to a marriage, domestic violence  
3 resources and other topics that could benefit people whose  
4 marriages are in crisis. Any unexpended or unencumbered  
5 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2003 shall revert  
6 to the general fund.

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