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SENATE BILL 56

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2004

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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; CREATING THE NEW MEXICO GOVERNMENT EDUCATION FUND; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 22 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] NEW MEXICO GOVERNMENT EDUCATION FUND. --

- A. The "New Mexico government education fund" is created in the state treasury.
- B. The fund shall consist of appropriations by the legislature, gifts, grants and donations.
- C. The fund shall be administered by the public education department. Money in the fund is appropriated to the public education department to contract for annual, week-long, high school civics courses focusing on New Mexico state

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government for boys and girls to be held at varying postsecondary educational institutions in New Mexico.

- Disbursements from the fund shall be made by warrant of the department of finance and administration pursuant to vouchers signed by the secretary of public educati on.
- E. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain to the credit of the New Mexico government education fund."

Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the New Mexico government education fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2005 to contract for annual, week-long, high school civics courses focusing on New Mexico state government for boys and girls to be held at varying post-secondary educational institutions in New Mexico. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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