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SENATE BILL 255

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

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INTRODUCED BY

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO EXPAND ADULT AND FAMILY LITERACY SERVICES IN UNDERSERVED AREAS OF THE STATE.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --

A. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the library division of the office of cultural affairs for expenditure in fiscal year 2005 to contract with a statewide nonprofit adult literacy organization to provide basic literacy services in areas of the state that are underserved by existing adult basic education and literacy programs.

B. The appropriation provided in Subsection A of this section is designated for program management and operating support for community-based literacy programs using volunteer

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tutors to deliver expanded adult literacy services.

- C. Technical support for community-based literacy programs shall include training on evaluation standards and techniques, best practices in the delivery of literacy services, board development and training, volunteer recruitment and support, financial and program management and quantifiable documentation of outcomes. Existing services shall be used whenever possible to expand delivery in underserved areas of the state and to avoid duplication of services.
- D. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2005 shall revert to the general fund.

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