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SENATE BILL 56

**47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION; CREATING THE SCIENCE AND  
MATHEMATICS DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT; MAKING  
AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. Section 9-24-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2004,  
Chapter 27, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

"9-24-4. DEPARTMENT CREATED.--

A. The "public education department" is created in  
the executive branch. The department is a cabinet department  
and includes the following divisions:

- (1) the administrative services division;
- (2) the assessment and accountability  
division;
- (3) the educator quality division;

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- 1 (4) the Indian education division;  
2 (5) the information technology division;  
3 (6) the instructional support and vocational  
4 education division;  
5 (7) the program support and student  
6 transportation division;  
7 (8) the quality assurance and systems  
8 integration division;  
9 (9) the rural education division; [~~and~~]  
10 (10) the science and mathematics division; and  
11 [~~(10)~~] (11) the vocational rehabilitation  
12 division.

13 B. The secretary may organize the department and  
14 divisions of the department and may transfer or merge functions  
15 between divisions and bureaus in the interest of efficiency and  
16 economy."

17 Section 2. APPROPRIATION.--Four hundred twenty-four  
18 thousand dollars (\$424,000) is appropriated from the general  
19 fund to the public education department for expenditure in  
20 fiscal year 2007 to establish the science and mathematics  
21 division in the department. Any unexpended or unencumbered  
22 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert  
23 to the general fund.