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SENATE BILL 44

**52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO EXPAND ACCESS TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
TREATMENT AND SERVICES THROUGH SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS;  
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

**SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**--Sixteen million six hundred  
twenty-five thousand dollars (\$16,625,000) is appropriated from  
the general fund to the department of health for expenditure in  
fiscal years 2015 through 2020 for its office of school and  
adolescent health to expand access to behavioral health  
treatment and services through school-based health centers, to  
expand hours of operation for existing centers and to establish  
twenty-two new school-based health centers by 2020. Any  
unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of  
fiscal year 2020 shall revert to the general fund.

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SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public  
peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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