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SENATE BILL 86

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

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES  
DEPARTMENT TO FUND AN ONGOING DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO IMPROVE  
THE QUALITY OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION THROUGH CHILD CARE  
TEACHER RETENTION.

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

**SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**--Four hundred thousand dollars  
(\$400,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
children, youth and families department for expenditure in  
fiscal year 2016 to fund an ongoing demonstration project to  
increase the quality of early childhood education for children  
from birth to five years of age by providing incentives to  
increase retention of child care teachers who have completed  
early childhood education requirements as specified in  
department rules. The department shall contract for operation

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1 of the demonstration project through a nonprofit entity or  
2 entities to implement and manage the demonstration project in  
3 compliance with the Procurement Code. Any unexpended or  
4 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2016  
5 shall revert to the general fund.

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