RELATING TO TAXATION; CREATING AN OPTIONAL DESIGNATION FOR A PERSONAL INCOME TAX CONTRIBUTION FOR THE NEW MEXICO HOUSING TRUST FUND.

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

SECTION 1. A new section of the Income Tax Act is enacted to read:

"OPTIONAL DESIGNATION OF TAX REFUND CONTRIBUTION--NEW MEXICO HOUSING TRUST FUND.--

- A. Any individual whose state income tax liability after application of allowable credits and tax rebates in any year is lower than the amount of money held by the department to the credit of such individual for that tax year may designate any portion of the income tax refund due to the individual to be paid to the New Mexico housing trust fund. In the case of a joint return, both individuals must make such a designation.
- B. The department shall revise the state income tax form to allow the designation of such contributions in the following form:

"New Mexico Housing Trust Fund - Check [] if you wish to contribute a part or all of your tax refund to the New Mexico Housing Trust Fund for affordable housing programs. Enter here \$ the amount of your

contribution.".

C. The provisions of this section do not apply to income tax refunds subject to interception under the provisions of the Tax Refund Intercept Program Act, and any designation made under the provisions of this section to such refunds is void."

SECTION 2. APPLICABILITY.--The provisions of this act apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018. $_{\rm HB}$ 140 Page 2