

1 HOUSE BILL 140

2 **54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2020**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR MESCALERO APACHE TRIBAL EDUCATION-
12 RELATED IMPROVEMENTS.
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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS.--

16 A. The following amounts are appropriated to the
17 Indian affairs department for expenditure in fiscal years 2021
18 and 2022 for the following purposes for the Mescalero Apache
19 Tribe to comply with the findings in the consolidated
20 *Yazzie/Martinez v. State of New Mexico* lawsuit:

21 (1) one hundred fifty thousand dollars
22 (\$150,000) to provide college scholarships for Mescalero Apache
23 tribal members who want to be teachers; provided that
24 scholarships available under this paragraph shall be last-
25 resort scholarships that make up the difference between lottery

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1 tuition scholarships or other financial aid and the cost of
2 tuition and fees at a New Mexico public post-secondary
3 educational institution or a New Mexico tribal college that
4 offers bachelor's degrees in education;

5 (2) one hundred fifty thousand dollars
6 (\$150,000) to create a leadership institute that focuses on
7 youth leadership, youth internship and apprenticeship programs
8 and other services to tribal youth;

9 (3) three hundred fifty thousand dollars
10 (\$350,000) to develop culturally and linguistically relevant
11 curriculum and instructional materials for use in New Mexico
12 public schools;

13 (4) one hundred fifty thousand dollars
14 (\$150,000) to provide Mescalero Apache education liaisons to
15 the Ruidoso and Tularosa municipal school districts; and

16 (5) one hundred fifty thousand dollars
17 (\$150,000) to provide social services, behavioral health
18 services and suicide prevention and intervention services to
19 Mescalero Apache youth.

20 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
21 at the end of fiscal year 2022 shall revert to the general
22 fund.