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HOUSE BILL 1

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2021

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSE OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION, 2021, AND FOR OTHER LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES, INCLUDING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE, THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE, THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, THE HOUSE CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE, THE SENATE CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE AND OTHER EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS.

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

SECTION 1. SESSION EXPENSES.--

A. There is appropriated from the general fund for the expense of the legislative department of the state of New

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1 Mexico for the first session of the fifty-fifth legislature for
2 per diem and mileage of its members, for salaries of employees
3 and for other expenses of the legislature, eight million four
4 hundred eight thousand one hundred dollars (\$8,408,100) or so
5 much thereof as may be necessary for such purposes.

6 B. The expenditures referred to in Subsection A of
7 this section are as follows:

- 8 (1) per diem for senators \$ 440,200;
- 9 (2) per diem for members of the house of
10 representatives \$ 733,600;
- 11 (3) mileage traveled by members of the senate
12 going to and returning from the seat of government by the
13 usually traveled route, one round trip. \$ 6,600;
- 14 (4) mileage traveled by members of the house
15 of representatives going to and returning from the seat of
16 government by the usually traveled route, one round trip. . . .
17 \$ 10,700;
- 18 (5) salaries and employee benefits of senate
19 employees \$ 2,763,600;
- 20 (6) salaries and employee benefits of house of
21 representatives employees \$ 1,979,800;
- 22 (7) for expense of the senate not itemized
23 above, six hundred forty-nine thousand two hundred dollars
24 (\$649,200). No part of this item may be transferred to
25 salaries or employee benefits;

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1 (8) for expense of the house of
2 representatives not itemized above, four hundred twenty-nine
3 thousand nine hundred dollars (\$429,900). No part of this item
4 may be transferred to salaries or employee benefits; and

5 (9) for session expenses of the legislative
6 council service, the joint billroom and mailroom and joint
7 legislative switchboard, one million three hundred ninety-four
8 thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,394,500) to be disbursed upon
9 vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council
10 service or the director's designee.

11 C. The expenditures for the senate shall be
12 disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the committees'
13 committee and the chief clerk of the senate or the chief
14 clerk's designee. The expenditures for the house of
15 representatives shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
16 speaker and chief clerk of the house or the chief clerk's
17 designee. Following adjournment of the session, expenditures
18 authorized pursuant to Paragraphs (1) through (8) of Subsection
19 B of this section shall be disbursed upon vouchers signed by
20 the director of the legislative council service or the
21 director's designee.

22 D. Under the printing contracts entered into for
23 the first session of the fifty-fifth legislature, the chair of
24 the committees' committee of the senate, subject to the
25 approval of the committee, and the speaker of the house of

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1 representatives are authorized and directed to provide for the
2 printing of all bills, resolutions, joint resolutions,
3 memorials and joint memorials introduced in the senate or
4 house, the printing of the bill locator and the printing of all
5 necessary stationery required for use in the respective houses.
6 They are further directed to provide for the purchase of all
7 supplies necessary for use in the respective houses within the
8 appropriation provided. The orders for printing, stationery
9 and supplies shall be approved by the chair of the committees'
10 committee in the senate or by the speaker of the house.

11 **SECTION 2. BILLS AND OTHER PRINTED MATERIALS.--**For the
12 first session of the fifty-fifth legislature, bills,
13 resolutions, joint resolutions, memorials and joint memorials
14 delivered to the printer shall be returned by the printer to
15 the joint billroom within forty-two hours after they are
16 ordered to be printed. The billroom personnel shall supply a
17 complete file of bills, resolutions, joint resolutions,
18 memorials, joint memorials and other printed distribution
19 materials to the following:

20 A. upon request, one copy to each member of the
21 house of representatives and the senate;

22 B. upon written request, one copy to each county
23 clerk, district judge, radio or television station and
24 newspaper and to the general library of each state-supported
25 institution of higher learning; and

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1 C. upon written request, one copy to each state
2 department, commission, board, institution or agency, each
3 elected state official, each incorporated municipality, each
4 district attorney, each ex-governor, each member of the New
5 Mexico congressional delegation and each school district in the
6 state.

7 **SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE.**--There is
8 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council
9 service for fiscal year 2022, to be disbursed on vouchers
10 signed by the director of the legislative council service or
11 the director's designee, the following:

12 Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$4,857,000
13 Contractual Services	358,200
14 Other Costs	985,700
15 Total	\$6,200,900.

16 **SECTION 4. LEGISLATURE.**--There is appropriated from the
17 general fund, unless otherwise indicated, for the expense of
18 the legislative department, not provided for in Section 1 of
19 this act, for fiscal year 2022, unless otherwise indicated, to
20 be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of the
21 legislative council service or the director's designee, the
22 following:

23 A. for travel expenses of legislators other than
24 New Mexico legislative council members, on legislative council
25 business, for committee travel, staff and other necessary

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1 expenses for other interim committees and for other necessary
2 legislative expenses, for fiscal years 2021 and 2022, one
3 million dollars (\$1,000,000); provided that the New Mexico
4 legislative council may transfer amounts from the appropriation
5 in this subsection, during the fiscal years for which
6 appropriated, to any other legislative appropriation where they
7 may be needed;

8 B. for pre-session expenditures and for necessary
9 contracts, supplies and personnel for interim session
10 preparation, four hundred twenty-five thousand dollars
11 (\$425,000);

12 C. for a statewide legislative intern program,
13 forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$47,500);

14 D. for dues and fees of national organizations of
15 which the legislature is a member, four hundred nineteen
16 thousand five hundred dollars (\$419,500);

17 E. for the legislative information system, for
18 fiscal years 2021 and 2022, one million six hundred seventeen
19 thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,617,100);

20 F. for the interim duties of the senate rules
21 committee, thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000); and

22 G. from legislative cash balances, one hundred
23 fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for a rural infrastructure
24 study to be completed as soon as practicable for presentation
25 to and discussion with the appropriate legislative interim

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1 committees.

2 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE.--There is
3 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative finance
4 committee for fiscal year 2022, to be disbursed on vouchers
5 signed by the chair of the committee or the chair's designated
6 representative, the following:

7	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$3,862,900
8	Contractual Services	299,900
9	Other Costs	270,000
10	Total	\$4,432,800.

11 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE.--There
12 is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative
13 education study committee for fiscal year 2022, to be disbursed
14 on vouchers signed by the chair of the committee or the chair's
15 designated representative, the following:

16	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,155,200
17	Contractual Services	70,000
18	Other Costs	110,800
19	Total	\$1,336,000.

20 SECTION 7. HOUSE CHIEF CLERK.--There is appropriated from
21 the general fund to the legislative council service for
22 expenditure in fiscal year 2022 for the operation of the house
23 chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
24 director of the legislative council service, the following:

25	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,545,400
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1	Contractual Services	127,100
2	Other Costs	45,000
3	Total	\$1,717,500.

4 **SECTION 8. SENATE CHIEF CLERK.--**There is appropriated
5 from the general fund to the legislative council service for
6 expenditure in fiscal year 2022 for the operation of the senate
7 chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
8 director of the legislative council service, the following:

9	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,494,400
10	Contractual Services	218,800
11	Other Costs	53,600
12	Total	\$1,766,800.

13 **SECTION 9. OFFICIAL MASTER DATABASE OF LAWS--SELF-**
14 **PUBLICATION--FREE ACCESS TECHNOLOGY--HARD-COPY PUBLICATION.--**
15 There is appropriated from the legislative cash balances for
16 the legislative department's share of the continued development
17 required for the master database of official annotated laws of
18 the state, markup language and tagging and its use for
19 legislative document systems and a tagged database of the
20 session laws and for the costs associated in collaborating with
21 the New Mexico compilation commission on the ongoing
22 development and expanding partnership role with the New Mexico
23 compilation commission in the self-publication of the New
24 Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978, including technology for freely
25 accessible laws and hard-copy publication, four hundred

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1 thousand dollars (\$400,000) for expenditure during fiscal years
2 2021 and 2022.

3 SECTION 10. EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS.--

4 A. One million four hundred eighty-four thousand
5 dollars (\$1,484,000) is appropriated from the general fund to
6 the department of public safety for expenditure in fiscal year
7 2021 to provide personnel, equipment and other expenses
8 necessary for the security of the state capitol during the
9 first session of the fifty-fifth legislature.

10 B. Six hundred seventy-four thousand four hundred
11 dollars (\$674,400) is appropriated from the general fund to the
12 department of military affairs for expenditure in fiscal year
13 2021 to provide personnel, equipment and other expenses
14 necessary for the security of the state capitol during the
15 first session of the fifty-fifth legislature.

16 SECTION 11. JUDICIAL APPROPRIATION.--Two hundred thousand
17 dollars (\$200,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
18 administrative office of the courts for expenditure in fiscal
19 year 2021 for increased litigation expenses related to the
20 public health orders issued by the secretary of health or
21 executive orders issued by the governor and related to the
22 coronavirus disease 2019 public health emergency.

23 SECTION 12. CATEGORY TRANSFER.--Amounts set out in
24 Sections 3 through 8 of this act are provided for informational
25 purposes only and may be transferred among categories.

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SECTION 13. PERFORMANCE MEASURES.--Each legislative agency shall adhere to the performance measures specified in its strategic plan and shall make reports as required in that plan.