

HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 122

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM FOR
ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS, CHARTER SCHOOLS AND STATE SPECIAL SCHOOLS
AND THE STATEWIDE EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE NETWORK
BY THE END OF FISCAL YEAR 2026.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. Forty-five million dollars (\$45,000,000) is
appropriated from the general fund to the department of
information technology for expenditure in fiscal years 2023
through 2026 for three full-time employees and to develop and
implement a cybersecurity program that meets the standards
required by federal cybersecurity assistance programs to states
or educational institutions for all school districts, charter

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1 schools, state special schools and the statewide education
2 technology infrastructure network developed pursuant to Section
3 22-24-4.5 NMSA 1978. The cybersecurity program shall include
4 cybersecurity insurance support, cybersecurity planning and
5 project management, development of a response and recovery plan
6 and quarterly reviews, hardening of cyber-environment
7 infrastructure, operations, processes and systems, monitoring
8 network activity and training for employees and students. The
9 expenditure per year shall be as follows:

10 (1) eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) in
11 fiscal year 2023 to plan, implement and maintain a
12 cybersecurity program for a minimum of thirty-five school
13 districts and eighteen charter schools or state special
14 schools;

15 (2) ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) in
16 fiscal year 2024 to maintain the cybersecurity program and
17 extend it to a minimum of an additional twenty school districts
18 and eighteen charter schools or state special schools;

19 (3) twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000) in
20 fiscal year 2025 to maintain the cybersecurity program and
21 extend it to a minimum of an additional sixteen school
22 districts and eighteen charter schools or state special
23 schools; and

24 (4) fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) in
25 fiscal year 2026 to maintain the cybersecurity program and

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1 extend it to the remaining school districts, charter schools
2 and state special schools that were not included in the program
3 by the expenditures in fiscal years 2023 through 2025.

4 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
5 at the end of fiscal year 2026 shall revert to the general
6 fund.