

1 HOUSE BILL 333

2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT TO  
12 ASSESS AND CLEAN UP ABANDONED AND NEGLECTED CONTAMINATED SITES,  
13 INCLUDING ABANDONED URANIUM MINING SITES, ACROSS THE STATE THAT  
14 DO NOT HAVE VIABLE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES TO PAY FOR AND CONDUCT  
15 CLEANUP ACTIONS.  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

18 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Fifty million dollars  
19 (\$50,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
20 department of environment for expenditure in fiscal years 2026  
21 through 2028 to assess and clean up abandoned or neglected  
22 contaminated sites, including abandoned uranium mining sites,  
23 across the state that do not have viable responsible parties to  
24 fund and conduct cleanup actions. Any unexpended or  
25 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2028

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