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SENATE BILL 19

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

INTRODUCED BY

GLORIA HOWES

FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; ESTABLISHING A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO ALLEVIATE A SHORTAGE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TEACHERS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ESTABLISHED. - -

A. In order to alleviate a shortage of teachers certified in early childhood education, the commission on higher education shall promulgate regulations to establish a scholarship program to recruit and assist qualified individuals in obtaining certification in that subject area.

B. A qualified individual shall:

(1) be a citizen of the United States or have a permanent resident visa;

(2) be a resident of the state, for tuition

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1 purposes;

2 (3) be enrolled in either a bachelor's degree  
3 program or a certification program in early childhood education;

4 (4) have completed at least twenty-four  
5 semester hours in a post-secondary educational institution;

6 (5) agree to work or teach in a public school  
7 in the state for at least two years; and

8 (6) have complied with regulations adopted by  
9 the commission on higher education for the scholarship program.

10 Section 2. APPROPRIATION. --Forty-eight thousand dollars  
11 (\$48,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
12 commission on higher education for expenditure in fiscal year  
13 1997 to establish a scholarship program for individuals pursuing  
14 certification in early childhood education. Any unexpended or  
15 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1997  
16 shall revert to the general fund.

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