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HOUSE BILL 130

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SEVERANCE TAX BONDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RAILROAD DEPOT IN LAS CRUCES IN DONA ANA COUNTY; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. SEVERANCE TAX BONDS--PURPOSE FOR WHICH ISSUED-- APPROPRIATION OF PROCEEDS.--The state board of finance may issue and sell severance tax bonds in compliance with the Severance Tax Bonding Act in an amount not exceeding four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) when the local government division of the department of finance and administration certifies the need for the issuance of the bonds. The state board of finance shall schedule the issuance and sale of the bonds in the most expeditious and economical manner possible upon a finding by the

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1 board that the project has been developed sufficiently to
2 justify the issuance and that the project can proceed to
3 contract within a reasonable time. The state board of finance
4 shall further take the appropriate steps necessary to comply
5 with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The
6 proceeds from the sale of the bonds are appropriated to the
7 local government division of the department of finance and
8 administration for the purpose of planning, designing and making
9 improvements, including interior remodeling, accessibility and
10 grounds, to the former Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad
11 depot in Las Cruces located in Dona Ana county. Any unexpended
12 or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000
13 shall revert to the severance tax bonding fund. If the local
14 government division of the department of finance and
15 administration has not certified the need for the issuance of
16 the bonds by the end of fiscal year 1999, the authorization
17 provided in this section shall be void.

18 Section 2. EMERGENCY. --It is necessary for the public
19 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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