RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECRUITING, EMPLOYING, TRAINING AND EQUIPPING ADDITIONAL STATE POLICE OFFICERS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EQUIPPING ADDITIONAL STATE POLICE OFFICERS.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--Two million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$2,800,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of public safety for expenditure in fiscal year 1999 for the purpose of recruiting, employing, training and equipping fifty additional state police officers. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1999 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- Five million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$5,800,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of public safety for expenditure in fiscal years 1998 through 2002 for the purpose of equipping forty additional state police officers each fiscal year during fiscal years 2000 through 2002. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the general fund.