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#### SENATE BILL 14

### 43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

#### INTRODUCED BY

#### Arthur Rodarte

#### FOR THE RADIOACTIVE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COMMITTEE

#### AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE RECOVERY OF COSTS BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR RESPONDING TO A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL EMERGENCY.

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

#### Section 1. RIGHT TO CLAIM REIMBURSEMENT. --

A political subdivision of the state may claim A. reimbursement from a person responsible for a hazardous material emergency for the costs resulting from action taken to remove, contain or otherwise mitigate the effects of the emergency, including reasonable attorney fees and costs in collecting the reimbursement.

Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to impair any right of recovery arising under any other provision of law.

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C. Any collections or recovery made by a political subdivision shall be distributed among the agencies that rendered assistance in proportion to their costs.

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## FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **SECOND SESSION, 1998**

January 27, 1998

Mr. President:

Your COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, pursuant to Senate Executive Message No. 12, and thence referred to the **CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**.

Respectfully submitted,

Manny M Aragon, Chairnan

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