#### SENATE BILL 139

43rd Legislature - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - second session, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

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### AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; INCREASING THE RATE OF THE CIGARETTE

TAX; DISTRIBUTING ADDITIONAL REVENUES FOR SUPPORT OF CERTAIN

PROGRAMS: MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. [NEW MATERIAL] CHILD HEALTH FUND CREATED-PURPOSE--ADMINISTRATION.--The "child health fund" is created
in the state treasury. The fund consists of cigarette tax
revenue as distributed pursuant to Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978.
The fund shall be administered by the human services
department. Money in the fund shall be appropriated by the
legislature to the department to provide child health services
pursuant to the Child Health Act, if enacted into law by the
forty-third legislature. Money in the fund shall not revert
at the end of any fiscal year.

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Section 2. A new section of the Public Assistance Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] FUND CREATED--PURPOSE--ADMINISTRATION--APPROPRIATION.--The "medical distributed in the state treasury. The fund consists of cigarette tax revenue as distributed pursuant to Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978. The fund shall be administered by the human services department. Money in the fund shall be appropriated by the legislature to the department to provide medical services to those medical clients who were eligible for services as of July 1, 1997 in part due to their income being no more than one hundred eighty-five percent of the federal poverty level. Money in the fund shall not revert at the end of any fiscal year."

Section 3. Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1983, Chapter 211, Section 16, as amended) is amended to read:

#### "7-1-6.11. DISTRIBUTIONS OF CIGARETTE TAXES. --

A. A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the county and municipality recreational fund in an amount equal to [four and three-quarters] two and fifty-seven hundredths percent of the net receipts, exclusive of penalties and interest, attributable to the cigarette tax.

B. A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the county and municipal cigarette tax fund in an amount equal to [nine and one-half] five and fourteen hundredths percent of the net receipts, exclusive of .120872.1

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penalties and interest, attributable to the cigarette tax.

- C. A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the cancer center at the university of New Mexico school of medicine in an amount equal to [four and three-quarters] seven and sixteen hundredths percent of the net receipts, exclusive of penalties and interest, attributable to the cigarette tax.
- D. A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the New Mexico finance authority in an amount equal to [seven and one-eighth] three and eighty-six hundredths percent of the net receipts, exclusive of penalties and interest, attributable to the cigarette tax.
- E. A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA

  1978 shall be made to the medicaid services fund in an amount

  equal to eleven and forty-seven hundredths percent of the net

  receipts, exclusive of penalties and interest, attributable to

  the cigarette tax.
- F. Contigent upon passage of the Child Health Act
  by the forty-third legislature, a distribution pursuant to
  Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the child health
  fund in an amount equal to twenty-nine and eighty-six
  hundredths percent of the net receipts, exclusive of penalties
  and interest, attributable to the cigarette tax. "
- Section 4. Section 7-12-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971, Chapter 77, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

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For the privilege of selling, giving or A. consuming cigarettes in New Mexico, there is levied an excise tax at the rate of [one and five hundredths cents (\$.0105)-] two and five-hundredths cents (\$.0205) for each cigarette sold, given or consumed in this state.

The tax imposed by this section shall be referred to as the "cigarette tax"."

#### Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATES. --

The effective date of the provisions of Section A. 3 of this act is August 1, 1998.

B. The effective date of the provisions of Sections 1, 2 and 4 of this act is July 1, 1998.

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### FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **SECOND SESSION, 1998** January 29, 1998 Mr. President: Your **COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred **SENATE BILL 139** has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, in accordance with constitutional provisions, and thence referred to the PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. Respectfully submitted, Manny M Aragon, Chairman

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