SENATE BILL 202

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INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ECONOMIC GROWTH; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES DIVISION OF THE REGULATION AND LICENSING DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING AND REPORTING ON THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF ECONOMIC GROWTH IN NEW MEXICO; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. TEMPORARY PROVISION--CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES
DIVISION--STUDY.--

A. The construction industries division of the regulation and licensing department shall contract with the bureau of business and economic research at the university of New Mexico to examine the economic aspects of both costs and benefits of economic growth, over a short- and long-term basis, and to prepare a comprehensive study of the economic

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issues in order to improve public dialogue and sound policymaking at the state, regional and local levels. In preparing the study, the bureau shall:

- (1) investigate physical, economic and population growth in New Mexico, and their particular positive and negative impacts on communities, natural resources, people and public and private facilities and infrastructure and long-term employment, job creation and economic issues, as well as issues related to potential future physical, economic and population growth;
- (2) investigate the positive and negative fiscal impacts of physical, economic and population growth over both the short and long term on state, county and local taxpayers and state, county and local government; and
- (3) evaluate long-term implications of and interrelationships between local and regional economies, including property taxes, cost of housing and land values, availability and affordability of housing, income levels, gross receipts tax revenues, bonding capacity, state and federal income taxes, employment and wages, ability to attract new jobs with emphasis on long-term high-quality employment, economic development initiatives with tradeoffs between incentives and benefits, current development fees or costs for new physical development, including exactions, persons below the poverty level and construction industry impacts.

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- B. The bureau of business and economic research shall coordinate the comprehensive evaluation and may subcontract with appropriate professionals to assist in the evaluation.
- C. In preparing the evaluation, the bureau of business and economic research shall meet with and seek input from community organizations, businesses, environmentalists, the development industry, agriculture and other interested parties.
- D. The comprehensive evaluation shall include a written report and public presentation of its findings and conclusions to be presented to the appropriated interim legislative committee no later than December 31, 1998.

Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the construction industries division of the regulation and licensing department for expenditure in fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Section 1 of this act. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1999 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 3. EMERGENCY. -- It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **SECOND SESSION, 1998** January 31, 1998 Mr. President: Your **COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred SENATE BILL 202 has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, in accordance with constitutional provisions, and thence referred to the FINANCE COMMITTEE. Respectfully submitted, Manny M Aragon, Chairman

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FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **SECOND SESSION, 1998** February 17, 1998 Mr. President: Your **FINANCE COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred **SENATE BILL 202** has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**. Respectfully submitted, Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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