

1 SENATE BILL 235

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO
12 EXPAND EXISTING EFFORTS TO RETAIN STUDENTS AND IMPROVE
13 GRADUATION RATES AT ALL PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
14 EDUCATION.

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

17 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One million dollars
18 (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
19 higher education department for expenditure in fiscal year 2025
20 to expand existing efforts through evidence-based programs to
21 retain students and improve graduation rates at all public
22 institutions of higher education. Any unexpended or
23 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025
24 shall revert to the general fund.

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