

1 SENATE BILL 204

2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO
12 SUPPLEMENT REDUCED OR TERMINATED FEDERAL FUNDING FOR EXISTING
13 RESEARCH PROJECTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO, NEW MEXICO
14 STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE NEW MEXICO INSTITUTE OF MINING AND
15 TECHNOLOGY THAT ARE FEASIBLY ABLE TO BE COMPLETED BUT FOR THE
16 REDUCTION OR TERMINATION OF SUCH FUNDING.

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

19 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**--One hundred million dollars
20 (\$100,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
21 higher education department for expenditure in fiscal years
22 2027 and 2028 to supplement reduced or terminated federal
23 funding for existing research projects at the university of New
24 Mexico, New Mexico state university and the New Mexico
25 institute of mining and technology that are feasibly able to be

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1 completed but for the reduction or termination in such funding.
2 Any unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2028
3 shall revert to the general fund.

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