

1 SENATE BILL 226

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

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT TO
12 ASSESS AND CLEAN UP ABANDONED AND NEGLECTED CONTAMINATED SITES,
13 INCLUDING ABANDONED URANIUM MINING SITES, ACROSS THE STATE THAT
14 DO NOT HAVE VIABLE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES TO PAY FOR AND CONDUCT
15 CLEANUP ACTIONS.

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

18 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**--Fifty million dollars
19 (\$50,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
20 department of environment for expenditure in fiscal years 2027
21 through 2029 to assess and clean up abandoned or neglected
22 contaminated sites, including abandoned uranium mining sites,
23 across the state that do not have viable responsible parties to
24 fund and conduct cleanup actions. Any unexpended balance
25 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2029 shall revert to the

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