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SENATE BILL 248

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

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO CREATE AN INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
TO FACILITATE COMMUNICATION AND CONSULTATION BETWEEN NEW MEXICO
INDIAN NATIONS, TRIBES AND PUEBLOS AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Four million dollars
(\$4,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
Indian affairs department for expenditure in fiscal year 2027
to create an Indian affairs commission to facilitate
communication and consultation between New Mexico Indian
nations, tribes and pueblos and the federal government. Any
unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027
shall revert to the general fund.

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