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HOUSE BILL 219

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
2000**

INTRODUCED BY
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AN ACT

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AN ARRAY
OF SERVICES TO CHILDREN AT RISK OF BEING REFERRED OR CHILDREN
REFERRED TO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE CHILDREN,
YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT.

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

Section 1. ARRAY OF SERVICES AND PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN
AT RISK OF BEING REFERRED OR CHILDREN REFERRED TO THE
JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES
DEPARTMENT--FINDINGS.--

A. The legislature finds that it is in the
interest of the state to continue to make available a wide
array of comprehensive and effective services, programs and
facilities for children at risk of being referred or children
referred to the juvenile justice division of the children,
youth and families department.

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1 B. It is the intent of the legislature that a
2 balanced and restorative juvenile justice system be premised
3 upon the guiding principles of community protection,
4 accountability and competency development.

5 C. It is the intent of the legislature that
6 juvenile justice services and programs be:

- 7 (1) provided by state employees; or
8 (2) provided via contracts for the services
9 or programs pursuant to the provisions of the Procurement
10 Code.

11 Section 2. ARRAY OF SERVICES AND PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN
12 AT RISK OF BEING REFERRED OR CHILDREN REFERRED TO THE
13 JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES
14 DEPARTMENT--APPROPRIATIONS.--

15 A. To provide an array of services and programs
16 for children at risk of being referred or children referred
17 to the juvenile justice division of the children, youth and
18 families department, the following amounts are appropriated
19 from the general fund to the children, youth and families
20 department for expenditure in fiscal year 2001 for the
21 following purposes:

- 22 (1) one hundred fifty thousand dollars
23 (\$150,000) for the purpose of contracting with community-
24 based providers for the provision of community and victim
25 restoration programs, including mentoring programs, mediation
programs and community involvement programs;

- (2) one hundred fifty thousand dollars

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1 (\$150,000) for the purpose of contracting with community-
2 based providers for the provision of family preservation
3 programs for children at risk of being removed from their
4 homes;

5 (3) two hundred fifty thousand dollars
6 (\$250,000) for the purpose of contracting for a statewide sex
7 offender program for children adjudicated or at risk of being
8 adjudicated for a sexual offense. The statewide sex offender
9 program for children shall also include program services at
10 the juvenile justice division facilities. The statewide sex
11 offender program shall also provide assessment services,
12 treatment services and aftercare services;

13 (4) two hundred fifty thousand dollars
14 (\$250,000) for the purpose of contracting for the recruiting,
15 training and providing foster homes for children referred to
16 the juvenile justice division of the children, youth and
17 families department. The foster homes shall be reimbursed at
18 the special needs foster home rate; and

19 (5) one hundred fifty thousand dollars
20 (\$150,000) for the purpose of contracting with a program
21 located in an urban area to provide an urban construction
22 corps program. The urban construction corps shall offer
23 programming that teaches employable skills, including home
24 renovation and home construction skills, for children
25 referred to the juvenile justice division of the children,
youth and families department.

B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance

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1 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the
2 general fund.

3 Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
4 provisions of this act is July 1, 2000.

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