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SENATE BILL 22

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - 2ND SPECIAL SESSION, 2000

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION LEVEL OF
TEACHERS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. It is the intent of the legislature to increase the compensation level of teachers of grades one through twelve, special education, early childhood development and preschool by two thousand dollars (\$2,000) over the 2000-2001 compensation level. For purposes of this section, "compensation level" means the sum total of the remuneration received by teachers of grades one through twelve, special education, early childhood development and preschool, inclusive of all benefits and any increments provided for additional experience and education.

B. Forty-eight million one hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$48,130,000) is appropriated from the general fund

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1 to the state department of public education for expenditure
2 in fiscal year 2001 for the purpose of increasing the
3 compensation level of teachers of grades one through twelve,
4 special education, early childhood development and preschool
5 by two thousand dollars (\$2,000), inclusive of the teachers'
6 contribution to social security pursuant to the Federal
7 Insurance Contributions Act, the required contribution
8 pursuant to the Educational Retirement Act and any salary
9 increments for teachers of grades one through twelve, special
10 education, early childhood development and preschool.

11 C. Salary increases funded pursuant to Subsection
12 B of this section shall become a part of the base salary for
13 teachers of grades one through twelve, special education,
14 early childhood development and preschool and be incorporated
15 into the public school equalization distribution in
16 subsequent years.

17 D. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
18 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the
19 general fund.

20 Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
21 peace, health and safety that this act take effect
22 immediately.