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46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003 INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PROVIDE COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES TO PROVIDERS AND TO ADDRESS RATE EQUITY BETWEEN TWO STATE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROGRAMS.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --

Three million one hundred sixty-three thousand two hundred dollars (\$3,163,200) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of health for expenditure in fiscal year 2004 in the following amounts and for the following purposes:

one hundred sixty-three thousand two **(1)** hundred dollars (\$163, 200) to provide cost-of-living increases for employees of intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded, to address employee recruitment and retention, and to

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provide for employee health insurance, program liability insurance and other operational costs; and

- (2) three million dollars (\$3,000,000) to address equity in reimbursement between developmental disabilities programs that are funded entirely with general fund dollars and those that are funded with medicaid waiver dollars.
- B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2004 shall revert to the general fund.

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