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HOUSE BILL 88

**47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005**

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A PILOT PROGRAM TO USE GOATS TO REMOVE SALT CEDAR AND NON-NATIVE PHREATOPHYTES, TO ENHANCE WATER SUPPLIES AND TO IMPROVE HABITAT FOR THE WILLOW FLYCATCHER AND THE SILVERY MINNOW.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--One million dollars (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the board of regents of New Mexico state university for expenditure in fiscal year 2006 to improve water flow in the Rio Grande for endangered species habitation by supporting soil and water conservation districts' efforts to use goats to remove salt cedar and other non-native phreatophytes to restore native vegetation, to improve habitat for the willow flycatcher and the silvery minnow and to enhance water supplies in cooperation

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2 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of  
3 fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the general fund.

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