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HOUSE BILL 299

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

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FOR THE WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UTTON TRANSBOUNDARY RESOURCES
CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO FOR AN OFFICE OF WATER
RIGHTS OMBUDSMAN.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- Three hundred thirty-two
thousand four hundred dollars (\$332,400) is appropriated from
the general fund to the board of regents of the university of
New Mexico for expenditure in fiscal year 2006 for personnel,
equipment, office space and administrative overhead to
establish an office of water rights ombudsman at the Utton
transboundary resources center to provide public education
statewide on water rights and to assist water rights claimants
and the courts in adjudication of water rights. Any unexpended
or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year**

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2006 shall revert to the general fund.

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