SENATE BILL 481

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

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR TRIBAL LITERACY PROGRAMS.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--Two million four hundred twenty-five thousand six hundred seventy-five dollars (\$2,425,675) is appropriated from the general fund to the public education department for expenditure in fiscal years 2006 and 2007 for new literacy programs on twelve tribal sites that integrate in-school, after-school and summer school literacy programs for children in grades kindergarten through eight. The department shall contract with a nonprofit sponsorship organization that has more than fifty years of experience working with Native American children, that is already working in New Mexico on the type of integrated tribal

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literacy program described above and that is willing to match state funds with one million two hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred twenty-five dollars (\$1,237,525). Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

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