AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE; AUTHORIZING THE NEW MEXICO

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24 25 FINANCE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL REVENUE BONDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO HOSPITAL AND THE CANCER RESEARCH AND TREATMENT CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. Laws 2003, Chapter 341, Section 3 is amended to read:

"Section 2. NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS--PURPOSE--APPROPRIATION.--

The New Mexico finance authority may issue and sell revenue bonds in compliance with the New Mexico Finance Authority Act for a term not exceeding twenty years in an amount not exceeding sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) for the purpose of designing, constructing, equipping and furnishing additions and improvements to the university of New Mexico hospital and the cancer research and treatment center at the university of New Mexico health sciences center.

В. The New Mexico finance authority may issue and sell additional revenue bonds in compliance with the New Mexico Finance Authority Act for a term not exceeding twenty

years in an amount not exceeding fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) for the purpose of supplementing the proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to Subsection A of this section to design, construct, equip and furnish additions and improvements to the university of New Mexico hospital and the cancer research and treatment center at the university of New Mexico health sciences center.

- C. The New Mexico finance authority may issue and sell revenue bonds authorized by this section when the vice president for health sciences of the university of New Mexico certifies the need for issuance of the bonds. The net proceeds from the sale of the bonds are appropriated to the health sciences center of the university of New Mexico for the purposes described in Subsections A and B of this section.
- D. The cigarette tax proceeds distributed to the New Mexico finance authority pursuant to Subsection E of Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978 shall be pledged irrevocably for the payment of the principal, interest, premiums and related expenses on the bonds and for payment of the expenses incurred by the authority related to the issuance, sale and administration of the bonds.
- E. The cigarette tax proceeds distributed to the New Mexico finance authority pursuant to Subsection E of Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978 shall be deposited each month in a

- F. Upon payment of all principal, interest and other expenses or obligations related to the bonds, the New Mexico finance authority shall certify to the secretary of taxation and revenue that all obligations for the bonds issued pursuant to this section have been fully discharged and shall direct the secretary of taxation and revenue and the state treasurer to cease distributing cigarette tax proceeds to the authority pursuant to Subsection E of Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978 and to distribute those cigarette tax proceeds to the general fund.
- G. Any law authorizing the imposition, collection or distribution of the cigarette tax or that affects the cigarette tax shall not be amended, repealed or otherwise directly or indirectly modified so as to impair or reduce debt service coverage for any outstanding revenue bonds that may be secured by a pledge of those cigarette tax revenues, unless the revenue bonds have been discharged in full or provisions have been made for a full discharge.

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H. The New Mexico finance authority may
additionally secure the revenue bonds issued pursuant to this
section by a pledge of money in the public project revolving
fund with a lien priority on the money in the public project
revolving fund as determined by the authority.

I. The New Mexico finance authority may purchase revenue bonds issued pursuant to this section with money in the public project revolving fund pursuant to the provisions of Section 6-21-6 NMSA 1978."

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

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