

**FORTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION, 2006**

January 24, 2006

Mr. Speaker:

Your **AGRICULTURE AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 121

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. On pages 1 and 2, strike Subsection A in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following new Subsection A to read:

"A. Two hundred eighty million dollars (\$280,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the funds and agencies identified below in the following amounts for expenditure in fiscal year 2006 and subsequent fiscal years for the following purposes:

(1) seventy-five million dollars (\$75,000,000) to the Indian water rights settlement fund to pay the state's portion of the costs necessary to implement Indian water rights settlements approved by the legislature and the United States congress;

(2) a final forty-eight million dollars (\$48,000,000) to the interstate stream commission to complete the Pecos River Compact settlement;

(3) thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) to the water project fund for the middle Rio Grande collaborative program;

(4) seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) to the interstate stream commission in connection with the Gila river settlement for compliance with federal environmental mandates, scientific studies, public outreach and education, cost benefit analyses and other studies and efforts or evaluations necessary to determine the best use of New Mexico's benefits under the 2004 Arizona Water Settlements Act; provided that no amount of this appropriation shall be used for construction of any actual project;

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(5) seventy million dollars (\$70,000,000) to the water project fund for the Ute pipeline project; and

(6) fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the New Mexico irrigation works construction fund for acequia and dam safety improvements statewide."

2. On page 2, line 10, after "of" insert "a", strike "2007" and after "shall", insert "not".,

and thence referred to the **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe M Stell, Chairman

Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk)

Not Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk)

Date _____

The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: 0

Excused: Cervantes

Absent: None