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SENATE BILL 94

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR NURSING
LEADERSHIP AND NURSE RETENTION PROGRAMS IN NEW MEXICO.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. Six hundred twenty-five thousand dollars
(\$625,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
department of health for expenditure in fiscal year 2007 as
follows:

(1) one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars
(\$125,000) to contract with a statewide organization
representing hospitals and health systems to develop an on-line
reporting system of demographic information and quality
measures and to develop guidelines for nurse staffing ratios;
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(2) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)
to contract with a statewide nonprofit organization to expand
the nursing workforce in New Mexico, to continue development of
a clinical teaching institute and to enhance and support
clinical education, professional development and retention of
nurses.

B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general
fund.