## SENATE BILL 640

## 48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

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 AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE; INCREASING THE AUTHORIZED AMOUNT OF REVENUE BONDS FOR THE CANCER TREATMENT CENTER AT THE GILA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. Laws 2006, Chapter 89, Section 1 is amended to read:

"Section 1. TEMPORARY PROVISION--NEW MEXICO FINANCE
AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS--PURPOSE--APPROPRIATION.--

A. 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 [two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000)] three million dollars (\$3,000,000) for the purpose of designing, constructing, equipping and furnishing .165687.1

additions and improvements to a regional cancer treatment center at the Gila regional medical center in Grant county and subsequently rural cancer treatment facilities in class B counties.

- B. The authority may issue and sell revenue bonds authorized by this section when the chair of the board of county commissioners of Grant county certifies the need for issuance of the bonds. The net proceeds from the sale of the bonds are appropriated to the local government division of the department of finance and administration for the purposes described in Subsection A of this section.
- C. The cigarette tax proceeds distributed to the authority pursuant to Subsection H 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.
- D. The cigarette tax proceeds distributed to the authority pursuant to Subsection H of Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978 shall be deposited each month in a separate fund or account of the authority.
- E. Upon payment of all principal, interest and other expenses or obligations related to the bonds, the authority shall certify to the secretary of taxation and revenue that all obligations for the bonds issued pursuant to .165687.1

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this section have been fully discharged and shall direct the secretary of taxation and revenue to cease distributing cigarette tax proceeds to the authority pursuant to Subsection H of Section 7-1-6.11 NMSA 1978 and to distribute those cigarette tax proceeds to the general fund.

- Any law authorizing the imposition, collection F. 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.
- The 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.
- The 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."