

AN ACT

RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE EXPENDITURES; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM LEGISLATIVE CASH BALANCES FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. SPECIAL SESSION--APPROPRIATION.--

A. Subject to the limitation provided in Subsection C of this section, the following amounts are appropriated from the legislative cash balances for expenditure in fiscal year 2007, unless otherwise indicated, for the following expenses of the first special session of the forty-eighth legislature:

(1) for the expense of the house of representatives, two hundred thirty-seven thousand four hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$237,428) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the speaker and the chief clerk of the house of representatives or the chief clerk's designee;

(2) for the expense of the senate, one hundred forty-six thousand dollars (\$146,000) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the chairman of the committees' committee and the chief clerk of the senate or the chief clerk's designee;

(3) for the expense of the legislative

council service, the joint bill room and the legislative switchboard, ninety-three thousand dollars (\$93,000) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council service or the director's designee; and

~~(4) for the legislative finance committee, two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), for expenditure in fiscal years 2007 and 2008, for technical expertise on tax policy and public finance, including bond financing, energy markets, real estate finance and other specialized fields, to maintain quality of technical, economic and financial support on issues important to the legislature.~~

B. Following adjournment of the first special session of the forty-eighth legislature, expenditures authorized in this section shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council service or the director's designee.

~~C. Each representative shall be paid per diem only for those calendar days on which the journal of the house shows that the house of representatives was convened in a floor session and the representative was shown as present at the floor session. Each senator shall be paid per diem only for those calendar days on which the journal of the senate shows that the senate was convened in a floor session and the senator was shown as present at the floor session.~~

Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public

peace, health and safety that this act take effect
immediately.
