SENATE BILL 242

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CULTURAL AFFAIRS; AUTHORIZING THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE DONATIONS OF REAL PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES
OF SUPPORTING THE PERFORMING ARTS IN NEW MEXICO; AUTHORIZING
LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
SALE; AUTHORIZING IN-KIND PAYMENTS AS PART OF THE PURCHASE
PRICE OF PROPERTY SOLD PURSUANT TO A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

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

Section 1. Section 9-4A-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2004, Chapter 25, Section 6) is amended to read:

"9-4A-6. SECRETARY--DUTIES AND GENERAL POWERS.--

A. The secretary is responsible to the governor for the operation of the department. It is the secretary's duty to manage all operations of the department and to administer and enforce the laws with which [he] the secretary or the .170584.2

department is charged.

- B. To perform the secretary's duties, the secretary has every power expressly enumerated in the laws, whether granted to the secretary [of] or the department, or any division of the department, except where authority conferred upon any division therein is explicitly exempted from the secretary's authority by statute. In accordance with these provisions, the secretary shall:
- (1) except as otherwise provided in the Cultural Affairs Department Act, exercise general supervisory and appointing authority over all department employees, subject to any applicable personnel laws and rules;
- (2) delegate authority to subordinates as the secretary deems necessary and appropriate, clearly delineating such delegated authority and the limitations thereto;
- (3) organize the department into those organizational units the secretary deems will enable it to function most efficiently, subject to any provisions of law requiring or establishing specific organizational units;
- (4) within the limitations of available appropriations and applicable laws, employ and fix the compensation of those persons necessary to discharge the secretary's duties;
- (5) take administrative action by issuing orders and instructions, not inconsistent with the law, to .170584.2

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1	ensure implementation of and compliance with the provisions of
2	law for whose administration or execution the secretary is
3	responsible, and to enforce those orders and instructions by
4	appropriate administrative action or actions in the courts;
5	(6) conduct research and studies that will
6	improve the operations of the department and the provision of
7	services to the citizens of the state;
8	(7) provide courses of instruction and
9	practical training for employees of the department and other
10	persons involved in the administration of programs with the
11	objective of improving the operations and efficiency of the
12	administration;
13	(8) prepare an annual budget of the
14	department;
15	(9) provide cooperation, at the request of
16	heads of administratively attached agencies, in order to:
17	(a) minimize or eliminate duplication of
18	services and jurisdictional conflicts;
19	(b) coordinate activities and resolve
20	problems of mutual concern; and
21	(c) resolve by agreement the manner and
22	extent to which the department shall provide budgeting,
23	recordkeeping and related clerical assistance to
24	administratively attached agencies; and
25	(10) appoint, with the governor's consent, for

each division, a "director". These appointed positions are exempt from the provisions of the Personnel Act. Persons appointed to these positions shall serve at the pleasure of the secretary.

C. The secretary may:

(1) apply for and receive, with the governor's approval, in the name of the department, any public or private funds, including United States government funds, available to the department to carry out its programs, duties or services; and

(2) receive donations of real property, under terms and conditions to be negotiated by the department, the title of which will be held in the name of the department for the purpose of promoting, encouraging and supporting the performing arts in New Mexico.

D. The secretary may, on behalf of the department, enter into a lease-purchase agreement of real property to which the department holds title. A part or all of the purchase or lease price for the real property subject to the lease-purchase agreement may be paid by in-kind performing arts programs delivered throughout the state.

[D.] E. Where functions of departments overlap, or a function assigned to one department could better be performed by another department, a secretary may recommend appropriate legislation to the next session of the legislature for its .170584.2

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[E.] F. The secretary may make and adopt such reasonable procedural rules as may be necessary to carry out the duties of the department and its divisions. A rule promulgated by the director of a division in carrying out the functions and duties of the division shall not be effective until approved by the secretary. Unless otherwise provided by statute, a rule affecting a person or agency outside the department shall not be adopted, amended or repealed without a public hearing on the proposed action before the secretary or a hearing officer designated by [him] the secretary. hearing shall be held in Santa Fe unless otherwise permitted by Notice of the subject matter of the rule, the action proposed to be taken, the time and place of the hearing, the manner in which interested persons may present their views and the method by which copies of the proposed rule, proposed amendment or repeal of an existing rule may be obtained shall be published once at least thirty days prior to the hearing date in a newspaper of general circulation and mailed at least thirty days prior to the hearing date to all persons who have made a written request for advance notice of hearing. All rules shall be filed in accordance with the State Rules Act."

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