

AN ACT

AMENDING LAWS 2006, CHAPTER 111, SECTION 67 TO EXPAND THE USE OF THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION RETROACTIVELY; AUTHORIZING NECESSARY BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FOR CURRENT OR ANY PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.

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

Section 1. Laws 2006, Chapter 111, Section 67 is amended to read:

"Section 67. VOTING MACHINES--SECRETARY OF STATE--GENERAL FUND.--Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 1-9-8 and 1-9-17 through 1-9-19 NMSA 1978, eleven million dollars (\$11,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the secretary of state for expenditure in fiscal years 2006 through 2008 for the purchase and installation of voting systems for counties statewide, including the requisite number of voting booths, to meet the requirements of Section 1-9-7.1 NMSA 1978 contingent on an amendment to that section by the second session of the forty-seventh legislature to require the use of voting systems that use paper ballots becoming law. In addition to the purchase and installation of voting systems statewide, the general fund appropriation in this section may also be expended for election-related advertising and other voter education and, notwithstanding the 2008 limit on the expenditure period for this appropriation, may also be

