#### SENATE BILL 9

# 52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2016

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## AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE EXPENDITURES; REDUCING LEGISLATIVE

APPROPRIATIONS IN LAWS 2016, CHAPTER 1; ENACTING A NEW SECTION

OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OF 2016 TO REDUCE CERTAIN

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017; MAKING AN

APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATION REDUCTIONS.-The appropriations made from the general fund in Laws 2016,
Chapter 1, Sections 3 through 8 are reduced by two and one-half
percent rounded to the nearest one hundred dollars (\$100). To
meet the reductions required by this section and maintain
government efficiency, the New Mexico legislative council shall
determine the amount of reduction applied to each legislative
agency and purpose and may transfer amounts from any of the
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appropriations in Laws 2016, Chapter 1 to any other legislative appropriation where they may be amended.

**SECTION 2.** A new section of the General Appropriation Act of 2016 is enacted to read:

# "[NEW MATERIAL] APPROPRIATION REDUCTIONS.--

- A. Except as provided in Subsections B through I of this section, all amounts set out under the general fund column in Section 4 of the General Appropriation Act of 2016 are reduced by five percent rounded to the nearest one hundred dollars (\$100).
- B. The general fund appropriations in Section 4 of the General Appropriation Act of 2016 to the supreme court law library, judicial standards commission, court of appeals, supreme court, administrative office of the courts, supreme court building commission, district courts, Bernalillo county metropolitan court, district attorneys, administrative office of the district attorneys and public defender department are reduced by three percent rounded to the nearest one hundred dollars (\$100).
- C. The general fund appropriations in Section 4 of the General Appropriation Act of 2016 to the following are reduced by two and one-half percent rounded to the nearest one hundred dollars (\$100):
  - (1) legislative building services;
  - (2) for the human services department:

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1	(a) program support;
2	(b) the child support enforcement
3	program;
4	(c) the income support program; and
5	(d) the behavioral health services
6	program; and
7	(3) for the department of health:
8	(a) the public health program;
9	(b) the epidemiology and response
10	program;
11	(c) the laboratory services program;
12	(d) the health certification, licensing
13	and oversight program; and
14	(e) the administration program.
15	D. The general fund appropriations in Section 4 of
16	the General Appropriation Act of 2016 to the following are
17	reduced by one and one-half percent rounded to the nearest one
18	hundred dollars (\$100):
19	(1) for the cultural affairs department:
20	(a) the museums and historic sites
21	program;
22	(b) the preservation program;
23	(c) the library services program;
24	(d) the arts program; and
25	(e) program support;

1	(2) for the children, youth and families
2	department:
3	(a) the juvenile justice facilities
4	program;
5	(b) the behavioral health services
6	program; and
7	(c) program support;
8	(3) for the corrections department:
9	(a) the inmate management and control
10	program;
11	(b) the community offender management
12	program; and
13	(c) program support; and
14	(4) for the department of public safety:
15	(a) the law enforcement program;
16	(b) the statewide law enforcement
17	support program; and
18	(c) program support.
19	E. The general fund appropriations in Section 4 of
20	the General Appropriation Act of 2016 to the following are not
21	reduced:
22	(1) for the human services department:
23	(a) the medical assistance program; and
24	(b) medicaid behavioral health program;
25	(2) for the department of health:

1	(a) the facilities management program;
2	and
3	(b) the developmental disabilities
4	support program;
5	(3) the veterans' services department;
6	(4) for the children, youth and families
7	department:
8	(a) the protective services program; and
9	(b) the early childhood services
10	program;
11	(5) for the legislative council service, the
12	energy council dues; and
13	(6) for the public education department, the
14	special appropriations made in Subparagraphs (e), (j) and (k).
15	F. The general fund appropriations in Section 4 of
16	the General Appropriation Act of 2016 to the following are
17	reduced as follows:
18	(1) public education department special
19	appropriations made in Subparagraphs (a) through (d), (f)
20	through (i) and (l) through (t) are reduced by twenty-five
21	million dollars (\$25,000,000) in the aggregate;
22	(2) the state equalization guarantee
23	distribution for public school support is reduced by thirty-
24	seven million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$37,800,000);
25	provided that the secretary of public education may reset the
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unit value to account for the reduction provided for in this paragraph; and

- (3) the transportation distribution, supplemental distribution, instructional material fund, dual-credit instructional materials, Indian education fund and standards-based assessments are reduced by thirty-three million dollars (\$33,000,000) in the aggregate.
- G. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Public School Finance Act and the Instructional Material Law, the use of cash balances derived from general fund appropriations for instructional materials and school transportation made in fiscal year 2016 and previous fiscal years shall not be restricted in fiscal year 2017 and may be transferred to the operational fund. The public education department shall provide the legislative finance committee and the legislative education study committee with a report on the amount spent and transferred from the cash balances.
- H. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Public School Capital Improvements Act and the Public School Buildings Act, property tax revenue generated from an election pursuant to these acts in fiscal year 2017 or previous fiscal years or cash balances derived from property taxes imposed pursuant to these acts in previous fiscal years may be used for any purpose; provided that, if a new purpose is designated that does not conform with the original resolution, a new resolution

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shall be submitted to the qualified electors prior to repurposing any property tax revenue imposed pursuant to the acts.

I. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Instructional Material Law, a school district or charter school may use up to one hundred percent of its 2017 instructional material allocation or cash balances derived from prior allocations for instructional materials and other classroom materials without restrictions on the use of funds established in Subsection C of Section 22-15-9 NMSA 1978; provided that the funds are used for instructional materials and other classroom materials as defined in Section 22-15-2 NMSA 1978."

**SECTION 3.** A new section of the General Appropriation Act of 2016 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] OPERATING BUDGETS AND ALLOTMENTS REDUCED
TO COMPLY--DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION.--The
department of finance and administration and, for legislative
branch reductions, the New Mexico legislative council shall
reduce fiscal year 2017 operating budgets and adjust allotments
to comply with the provisions of this 2016 act and may reduce
appropriations from other state funds, internal
service/interagency transfers and federal funds as necessary to
match the general fund reductions in the fiscal year 2017
operating budgets. The legislative finance committee shall
review the adjusted operating budgets in a timely manner."

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SECTION 4. TEMPORARY PROVISION--REPORTS.--The department of finance and administration, the higher education department for public post-secondary educational institutions and special schools and the public education department for public schools shall report the new operating budgets, including allotment adjustments, to the New Mexico legislative council, the legislative finance committee and the legislative education study committee on the implementation of this act for state government, public post-secondary educational institutions and public schools. Reports, including new operating budgets, shall be published on the departments' websites.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION.--One million dollars (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of finance and administration for expenditure in fiscal year 2017 for distribution with approval of the state board of finance to agencies experiencing hardships in fiscal year 2017 resulting from reductions made in this act. The department of finance and administration shall report to the legislative finance committee and the legislative education study committee on expenditures made from this appropriation. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2017 shall revert to the general fund.

**SECTION 6.** EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.