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HOUSE BILL 316

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

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR START-UP COSTS AT THE CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL INNOVATION, A COLLABORATION AMONG NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY; DONA ANA COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND HATCH, GADSDEN AND LAS CRUCES SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO FOCUS ON WORKFORCE READINESS.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the board of regents of New Mexico state university for expenditure in fiscal year 2017 to pay for start-up costs for a center for educational innovation, a collaboration among New Mexico state university; Dona Ana community college; and Hatch valley, Gadsden independent and Las Cruces public school districts, that will allow public school and public post-secondary students in science, technology, engineering, mathematics,

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1 medicine or allied health to both learn and innovate in areas
2 such as computer coding, animation design and three-dimensional
3 imaging, particularly as those areas benefit medical research
4 and virtual reality simulation training platforms for
5 physicians and other medical specialties. Any unexpended or
6 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2017
7 shall revert to the general fund.