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HOUSE BILL 249

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2018

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
TO CONTRACT WITH BERNALILLO COUNTY TO PROMOTE THE EXPANSION AND
SUSTAINED GROWTH OF LOCAL FARMS, RANCHES AND FOOD ENTREPRENEURS
AND THE PRODUCTION, MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTION OF NEW MEXICO
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. Three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) is
appropriated from the general fund to the economic development
department for expenditure in fiscal year 2019 to contract with
Bernalillo county to promote:

(1) the expansion and sustained growth of
local farms, ranches and food entrepreneurs;

(2) value-added services support and

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1 improvements to the complete process from origin of local foods
2 through distribution to the marketplace;

3 (3) market and facility development and
4 improved infrastructure;

5 (4) intrastate, e-commerce and international
6 trade of New Mexican food products; and

7 (5) the promotion and expansion of awareness
8 and benefits of good nutrition through the purchase of clearly
9 labeled food.

10 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
11 at the end of fiscal year 2019 shall revert to the general
12 fund.