

1 SENATE BILL 251

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2018**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDY OF THE EDUCATION AND
12 TRAINING PROGRAMS NEEDED TO BUILD A WORKFORCE SUFFICIENT TO
13 MEET THE DEMAND FOR URANIUM MINE SITE CLEANUP IN NEW MEXICO.

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

16 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--

17 A. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) is
18 appropriated from the general fund to the board of regents of
19 the university of New Mexico for expenditure in fiscal year
20 2019 for the bureau of business and economic research to
21 conduct the activities described in Subsection B of this
22 section; provided that expenses charged by the university to
23 administer the appropriation may not exceed five percent of the
24 funds expended. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
25 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2019 shall revert to the

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2 B. The appropriation referred to in Subsection A of
3 this section is for the bureau of business and economic
4 research to:

5 (1) analyze the possible economic effects on
6 the state and local communities associated with uranium mine
7 site cleanup projects in New Mexico;

8 (2) assess the capacity, in terms of training
9 and experience, of the existing New Mexico labor force to meet
10 the demand for cleanup of uranium mining sites in the state;

11 (3) analyze the training and education courses
12 and programs that would be needed, if any, for New Mexico to
13 internally provide a sufficient workforce for uranium mine site
14 cleanup in the state; and

15 (4) present a status report of its assessment,
16 analyses and preliminary findings and recommendations to the
17 appropriate interim legislative committee prior to that
18 committee's last meeting in 2018.