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HOUSE BILL 1

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE EXPENSE OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION, 2022, AND FOR OTHER LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES, INCLUDING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE, THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE, THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, THE SENATE CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE, THE HOUSE CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE AND OTHER EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. SESSION EXPENSES.--

A. There is appropriated from the general fund for the expense of the legislative department of the state of New Mexico for the second session of the fifty-fifth legislature for per diem and mileage of its members, for salaries of

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1 employees and for other expenses of the legislature, five
2 million nine hundred sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars
3 (\$5,916,800) or so much thereof as may be necessary for such
4 purposes.

5 B. The expenditures referred to in Subsection A of
6 this section are as follows:

7 (1) per diem for members of the senate
8 \$ 217,980;

9 (2) per diem for members of the house of
10 representatives \$ 363,300;

11 (3) mileage traveled by members of the senate
12 going to and returning from the seat of government by the
13 usually traveled route, one round trip. \$ 6,700;

14 (4) mileage traveled by members of the house
15 of representatives going to and returning from the seat of
16 government by the usually traveled route, one round trip. . . .
17 \$ 10,760;

18 (5) salaries and employee benefits of senate
19 employees \$ 1,771,661;

20 (6) salaries and employee benefits of house of
21 representatives employees \$ 1,665,200;

22 (7) for expense of the senate not itemized
23 above, three hundred ninety-five thousand eight hundred fifty-
24 nine dollars (\$395,859). No part of this item may be
25 transferred to salaries or employee benefits;

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1 (8) for expense of the house of
2 representatives not itemized above, four hundred twenty-six
3 thousand five hundred forty dollars (\$426,540). No part of
4 this item may be transferred to salaries or employee benefits;
5 and

6 (9) for session expenses of the legislative
7 council service, the joint billroom and mailroom and joint
8 legislative switchboard, one million fifty-eight thousand eight
9 hundred dollars (\$1,058,800) to be disbursed upon vouchers
10 signed by the director of the legislative council service or
11 the director's designee.

12 C. The expenditures for the senate shall be
13 disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the committees'
14 committee and the chief clerk of the senate or the chief
15 clerk's designee. The expenditures for the house of
16 representatives shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
17 speaker and chief clerk of the house of representatives or the
18 chief clerk's designee. Following adjournment of the session,
19 expenditures authorized pursuant to Paragraphs (1) through (8)
20 of Subsection B of this section shall be disbursed upon
21 vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council
22 service or the director's designee.

23 D. Under the printing contracts entered into for
24 the second session of the fifty-fifth legislature, the chair of
25 the committees' committee of the senate, subject to the

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1 approval of the committee, and the speaker of the house of
2 representatives are authorized and directed to provide for the
3 printing of all bills, resolutions, joint resolutions,
4 memorials and joint memorials introduced in the senate or
5 house, the printing of the bill locator and the printing of all
6 necessary stationery required for use in the respective houses.
7 They are further directed to provide for the purchase of all
8 supplies necessary for use in the respective houses within the
9 appropriation provided. The orders for printing, stationery
10 and supplies shall be approved by the chair of the committees'
11 committee of the senate or by the speaker of the house of
12 representatives.

13 SECTION 2. BILLS AND OTHER PRINTED MATERIALS.--

14 A. For the second session of the fifty-fifth
15 legislature, bills, resolutions, joint resolutions, memorials
16 and joint memorials delivered to the printer shall be returned
17 by the printer to the joint billroom within forty-two hours
18 after they are ordered to be printed. The billroom personnel
19 shall supply a complete file of bills, resolutions, joint
20 resolutions, memorials, joint memorials and other printed
21 distribution materials to the following:

22 (1) upon request, one copy to each member of
23 the house of representatives and the senate;

24 (2) upon written request, one copy to each
25 county clerk, district judge, radio or television station and

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1 newspaper and to the general library of each state-supported
2 institution of higher learning; and

3 (3) upon written request, one copy to each
4 state department, commission, board, institution or agency,
5 each elected state official, each incorporated municipality,
6 each district attorney, each ex-governor, each member of the
7 New Mexico congressional delegation and each school district in
8 the state.

9 B. Any person not listed in Subsection A of this
10 section may secure a complete file of the bills, resolutions,
11 joint resolutions, memorials and joint memorials of the
12 legislature by depositing with the legislative council service
13 the amount of four hundred dollars (\$400), which deposit shall
14 be paid to the state treasurer to the credit of the legislative
15 expense fund. Additional single copies of items of legislation
16 shall be sold for two dollars (\$2.00) unless the director of
17 the legislative council service shall, because of its length,
18 assign a higher price not to exceed ten cents (\$.10) per page.
19 Copies of a daily bill locator, other than those copies
20 furnished to each member of the respective houses, shall be
21 supplied by the legislative council service at a charge of one
22 hundred thirty-five dollars (\$135) for the entire session.

23 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE.--There is
24 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council
25 service, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of

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1 the legislative council service or the director's designee, one
2 million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for
3 expenditure in fiscal year 2022 and subsequent fiscal years for
4 the ongoing planning, output development and design of a
5 legislative processing system, and for fiscal year 2023 the
6 following:

7	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$5,707,000
8	Contractual Services	758,200
9	Other Costs	985,700
10	Total	\$7,450,900.

11 SECTION 4. LEGISLATURE.--There is appropriated from the
12 general fund for the expense of the legislative department, not
13 provided for in Section 1 of this act, for fiscal years 2022
14 and 2023 unless otherwise indicated, to be disbursed on
15 vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council
16 service or the director's designee, the following:

17 A. for travel expenses of legislators other than
18 New Mexico legislative council members, on legislative council
19 business, for committee travel, staff and other necessary
20 expenses for other interim committees and for other necessary
21 legislative expenses, one million dollars (\$1,000,000);
22 provided that the New Mexico legislative council may transfer
23 amounts from the appropriation in this subsection, during the
24 fiscal years for which appropriated, to any other legislative
25 appropriation where they may be needed;

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1 B. for pre-session expenditures and for necessary
2 contracts, supplies and personnel for interim session
3 preparation, four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000);

4 C. for a statewide legislative intern program,
5 fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000);

6 D. for dues and fees of national organizations of
7 which the legislature is a member, four hundred eighteen
8 thousand dollars (\$418,000);

9 E. for the legislative information system, one
10 million seven hundred twenty-three thousand four hundred
11 dollars (\$1,723,400);

12 F. for audiovisual upgrades to committee rooms for
13 virtual, hybrid and webcasting hardware and software, two
14 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000);

15 G. for the contractual services of the capitol
16 buildings planning commission, one hundred fifty thousand
17 dollars (\$150,000); and

18 H. for the interim duties of the senate rules
19 committee, thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

20 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE.--There is
21 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative finance
22 committee for fiscal year 2023, to be disbursed on vouchers
23 signed by the chair of the committee or the chair's designated
24 representative, the following:

25 Personal Services & Employee Benefits \$4,200,000

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1	Contractual Services	330,000
2	Other Costs	313,900
3	Total	\$4,843,900.

4 **SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE.**--There
5 is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative
6 education study committee for fiscal year 2023, to be disbursed
7 on vouchers signed by the chair of the committee or the chair's
8 designated representative, the following:

9	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,255,300
10	Contractual Services	70,000
11	Other Costs	112,500
12	Total	\$1,437,800.

13 **SECTION 7. HOUSE CHIEF CLERK.**--There is appropriated from
14 the general fund to the legislative council service for
15 expenditure in fiscal year 2023 for the operation of the house
16 chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
17 director of the legislative council service, the following:

18	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,505,000
19	Contractual Services	253,100
20	Other Costs	45,000
21	Total	\$1,803,100.

22 **SECTION 8. SENATE CHIEF CLERK.**--There is appropriated
23 from the general fund to the legislative council service for
24 expenditure in fiscal year 2023 for the operation of the senate
25 chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the

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1 director of the legislative council service, the following:

2	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,603,700
3	Contractual Services	218,800
4	Other Costs	53,200
5	Total	\$1,875,700.

6 SECTION 9. OFFICIAL MASTER DATABASE OF LAWS--SELF-
7 PUBLICATION--TRANSITION TO NEW DATABASE TECHNOLOGY.--There is
8 appropriated from the legislative cash balances for the
9 legislative department's share of the continued development
10 required for the master database of official annotated laws of
11 the state, markup language and tagging and its use for
12 legislative document systems and a tagged database of the
13 session laws and for the costs associated in collaborating with
14 the New Mexico compilation commission on the ongoing
15 development and expanding partnership role with the New Mexico
16 compilation commission in the self-publication of the *New*
17 *Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978*, including completing the
18 transition to new database technology for freely accessible
19 laws and hard-copy publication, four hundred thousand dollars
20 (\$400,000) for expenditure during fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

21 SECTION 10. CATEGORY TRANSFER.--Amounts set out in
22 Sections 3 through 8 of this act are provided for informational
23 purposes only and may be transferred among categories.

24 SECTION 11. PERFORMANCE MEASURES.--Each legislative
25 agency shall adhere to the performance measures specified in

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1 its strategic plan and shall make reports as required in that
2 plan.

3 SECTION 12. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
4 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.