

1 SENATE BILL 237

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; ENACTING THE UNIVERSITY ANALYSIS
12 AND RESEARCH GRANT ACT; CREATING THE UNIVERSITY ANALYSIS AND
13 RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM AT THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT;
14 PROVIDING DEPARTMENT DUTIES; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE
15 RESEARCH GRANTS; CREATING THE UNIVERSITY ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH
16 GRANT FUND; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

19 SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 21 NMSA 1978 is
20 enacted to read:

21 "[NEW MATERIAL] SHORT TITLE.--This act may be cited as the
22 "University Analysis and Research Grant Act"."

23 SECTION 2. A new section of Chapter 21 NMSA 1978 is
24 enacted to read:

25 "[NEW MATERIAL] DEFINITIONS.--As used in the University

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1 Analysis and Research Grant Act, "department" means the higher
2 education department."

3 SECTION 3. A new section of Chapter 21 NMSA 1978 is
4 enacted to read:

5 "[NEW MATERIAL] UNIVERSITY ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH GRANT
6 PROGRAM--CREATED--OVERSIGHT.--

7 A. The "university analysis and research grant
8 program" is created in the department.

9 B. The department shall:

10 (1) establish and publish deadlines and
11 guidelines for the submission of grant applications;

12 (2) develop procedures for receipt, review and
13 approval of grant applications;

14 (3) receive, review and approve grant
15 applications;

16 (4) award grants to universities to assist
17 state agencies with any analysis and research needs;

18 (5) monitor universities' use of grant money
19 by reviewing annual reports submitted by those universities to
20 the department to ensure that grants are used consistently with
21 the universities' grant applications; and

22 (6) perform other duties as necessary to carry
23 out the provisions of the University Analysis and Research
24 Grant Act."

25 SECTION 4. A new section of Chapter 21 NMSA 1978 is

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1 enacted to read:

2 "[NEW MATERIAL] GRANT APPLICATIONS--GRANT RECIPIENTS--
3 REQUIREMENTS.--

4 A. A university may submit an application to the
5 department for a university analysis and research grant. An
6 applying university shall comply with deadlines and guidelines
7 published by the department. A university analysis and
8 research grant application shall include a statement of:

9 (1) the name of the state agency asking for
10 the analysis and research;

11 (2) the amount of grant money that the
12 university requests and, if necessary, a list of items and
13 costs for the proposed research; and

14 (3) the university's purpose for the grant
15 money and the scope of the analysis and research to be
16 accomplished by the university.

17 B. During the time that a university is using
18 university analysis and research grant money, the university
19 shall report annually to the department. The report shall
20 include:

21 (1) how the grant money is being spent to
22 assist in the analysis and research for the state agency; and

23 (2) detailed information about the analysis
24 and research being performed and any initial or final
25 findings."

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