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56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE EQUALIZATION GUARANTEE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND TO PROVIDE SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS IN PUBLIC MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. -- Thirty-eight million dollars (\$38,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the state equalization guarantee distribution of the public school fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 to provide schoolbased mental health counselors in public middle and high schools. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2025 shall revert to the general fund. .227109.2