

HOUSE BILL 492

57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

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AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE GOVERNMENT; ESTABLISHING THE PLANNING BUREAU
WITHIN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF THE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING DUTIES; REQUIRING INTERAGENCY
AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. A new section of the Economic Development
Department Act, Section 9-15-4.2 NMSA 1978, is enacted to read:

"9-15-4.2. [NEW MATERIAL] PLANNING BUREAU--ESTABLISHED--
DUTIES.--

A. The "planning bureau" is established in the
economic development division of the department to address
issues relating to the state's growth and development and to
help coordinate the state's use of land, facilities and

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2 B. The planning bureau shall:

3 (1) in collaboration with the department of
4 transportation, the department of environment, the New Mexico
5 mortgage finance authority, the state's regional planning
6 commissions created pursuant to the Regional Planning Act and
7 the state's three regional housing authorities, prepare a
8 comprehensive plan to address future development in the state,
9 with emphasis on:

10 (a) creation of jobs and housing and
11 transportation needs and linkages; and

12 (b) interagency and intergovernmental
13 collaboration and coordination;

14 (2) update the development plan every three
15 years or more frequently, as deemed necessary by the bureau;
16 and

17 (3) collaborate with an Indian nation, tribe
18 or pueblo on matters relating to development and planning upon
19 request of the Indian nation, tribe or pueblo."

20 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--One million dollars
21 (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
22 economic development department for expenditure in fiscal year
23 2026 and subsequent fiscal years for staffing the planning
24 bureau of the economic development division of the economic
25 development department. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
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1 remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the
2 general fund.

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