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SENATE BILL

57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE ACCELERATING RESILIENCE
INNOVATIONS IN DRYLANDS INSTITUTE.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One million nine hundred
thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$1,937,000) is appropriated from
the general fund to the board of regents of the university of
New Mexico for expenditure in fiscal year 2027 for the
university of New Mexico's accelerating resilience innovations
in drylands institute to be used in cooperation with the
university's natural heritage New Mexico: for ecological
monitoring of New Mexico's air, land and water; to continue
developing a technologically advanced statewide ecological
monitoring network with modeling and artificial intelligence

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1 solutions to diagnose and predict vulnerabilities in New
2 Mexico's ecosystems, including fire risk; to develop resilience
3 strategies for the sustainable management of air, land and
4 water; to continue programs that foster cooperation between the
5 university of New Mexico and kindergarten through twelfth grade
6 students enrolled in the science, technology, engineering and
7 math programs; and to enhance tribal engagement with research
8 at the university of New Mexico. Any unexpended balance
9 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall revert to the
10 general fund.

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