

HOUSE BILL 39

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALLEVIATING OVERCROWDED CONDITIONS IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--Fourteen million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$14,800,000) is appropriated from the general fund for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 to the children, youth and families department for the purpose of alleviating the overcrowding of adjudicated delinquent offenders and youthful offenders committed to facilities operated by the department. The appropriated money shall be used to pay for the operational costs of placing adjudicated delinquent offenders and youthful offenders in a correctional facility in which the corrections department currently incarcerates female adult inmates, located in Grants. The corrections department may use the correctional facility for the

commitment of delinquent offenders and youthful offenders placed in the custody of the children, youth and families department, pursuant to a joint powers agreement entered into by the corrections department and the children, youth and families department. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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