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HOUSE BILL 205

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

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX
PERMANENT FUND THAT MAY BE INVESTED IN A NEW MEXICO VENTURE
CAPITAL FUND; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE SEVERANCE TAX BONDING
ACT.

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

Section 1. Section 7-27-5.15 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1990, Chapter 126, Section 5, as amended) is amended to read:

"7-27-5.15. NEW MEXICO VENTURE CAPITAL FUND INVESTMENTS.--

- A. No more than [one-half of] one percent of the [book] market value of the severance tax permanent fund may be invested in New Mexico venture capital funds under this section.
- B. If an investment is made under this section, not [less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) or] more

than [three million dollars (\$3,000,000)] seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) of the amount authorized for investment pursuant to Subsection A of this section shall be invested in any one New Mexico venture capital fund. The amount invested in any one New Mexico venture capital fund shall not exceed [forty] fifty percent of the committed capital of that fund. [Investments shall be made only in the initial offering of a New Mexico venture capital fund provided that any investment may be made in one or more increments].

- C. In making investments pursuant to this section, the council shall give consideration to investments in New Mexico venture capital funds whose investments enhance the economic development objectives of the state.
- D. The state investment officer shall make investments pursuant to this section only upon approval of the council and upon review of the recommendation of the venture capital investment advisory committee. The state investment officer is authorized to make investments pursuant to this section contingent upon a New Mexico venture capital fund securing paid-in investments from other accredited investors for the balance of the minimum committed capital of the fund.
 - E. As used in this section:
- (1) "committed capital" means the sum of the fixed amounts of money which accredited investors have obligated for investment in a New Mexico venture capital fund and which

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fixed amounts may be invested in that fund on one or more payments over time; and

- (2) "New Mexico venture capital fund" means any [limited] limited liability company partnership or corporation organized and operating in the United States and maintaining [its principal active] an office staffed by a full-time investment officer in New Mexico that:
- (a) has as its primary business activity the investment of funds in return for equity in businesses for the purpose of providing capital for start-up, expansion, product or market development or similar business purposes;
- (b) holds out the prospects for capital aggregation from such investments;
- (c) has a minimum committed capital of [one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,250,000)] five million dollars (\$5,000,000);
- (d) has <u>at least one</u> full-time [management]

 manager with at least three years of professional experience in

 assessing the growth prospects of businesses or evaluating

 business plans and who has established permanent residency in

 the state;
- (e) is committed to investing [in New Mexico one hundred percent of the investments] or helps secure investing by others in an amount at least equal to the total investment made by the state investment officer in that fund

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pursuant to this section, in businesses with a principal place
of business in the state and [holds] that hold promise for
attracting additional capital from individual or institutional
investors nationwide [to] for businesses in the state; and

(f) accepts investments only from accredited investors as that term is defined in Section 2 of the federal Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (15 U.S.C. Section 77(b)) and rules and regulations promulgated <u>pursuant</u> to that section [and

(g) receives at least forty percent of the fund's capital from institutional investors. For the purposes of this section, "institutional investors" includes pension funds, insurance companies, corporations, trust funds, foundations, venture capital funds and financial institutions]."

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February 13, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

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Your TAXATION AND REVENUE COMMITTEE, to whom has

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. On page 3, line 4, strike all of the line up to "or" and insert in lieu thereof "limited partnership, limited liability company".,

and thence referred to the **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

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February 20, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 205, as anended

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS.**

 ${\bf Respectfully\ submitted,}$

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