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HOUSE BILL 748

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

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR DIVERSION OF AT-RISK YOUTH FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM IN BERNALILLO COUNTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- Three hundred fifteen thousand dollars (\$315,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the children, youth and families department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of establishing or contracting with a nonprofit organization to establish a program designed to work with at-risk youth focused on building selfesteem and setting and achieving goals to divert them from the criminal justice system and to provide public school teachers with techniques to work with at-risk youth and to correct negative behavior in their students. This program may also be

used as a sentencing option for children's court judges in Bernalillo county. 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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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

March 5, 1997

Your **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, and thence referred to the **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas P. Foy, Chairman

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