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HOUSE BILL 959

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

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SEVERANCE TAX BONDS TO BUILD PERMANENT EXHIBITIONS AT THE FARM AND RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM LOCATED IN DONA ANA COUNTY; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. SEVERANCE TAX BONDS--PURPOSE FOR WHICH ISSUED-- APPROPRIATION OF PROCEEDS.--The state board of finance may issue and sell severance tax bonds in compliance with the Severance Tax Bonding Act in an amount not exceeding eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) when the office of cultural affairs certifies the need for the issuance of the bonds. The state board of finance shall schedule the issuance and sale of the bonds in the most expeditious and economical manner possible upon a finding by the board that the project has been developed

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1 sufficiently to justify the issuance and that the project can  
2 proceed to contract within a reasonable time. The state board  
3 of finance shall further take the appropriate steps necessary to  
4 comply with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The  
5 proceeds from the sale of the bonds are appropriated to the  
6 office of cultural affairs for the purpose of building permanent  
7 exhibitions at the farm and ranch heritage museum located in  
8 Dona Ana county. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance  
9 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000 shall revert to the  
10 severance tax bonding fund. If the office of cultural affairs  
11 has not certified the need for the issuance of the bonds by the  
12 end of fiscal year 1999, the authorization provided in this  
13 section shall be void.

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

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