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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

#### AN ACT

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FUNDING CHILD CARE FOR INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSONS, FOR MAINTAINING THE CURRENT CASH BENEFIT LEVEL, FOR MAINTAINING PROJECT FORWARD, FOR MAINTAINING FOR CHILDREN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL FOR MEDICALD ELIGIBILITY, FOR FUNDING THE GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, FOR IMPLEMENTING A DISREGARD OF EARNED INCOME PROGRAM, FOR INCREASING THE PAYMENT LEVEL OF THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES GRANT TO THIRTY-SEVEN PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL AND FOR IMPLEMENTING THE PASS THROUGH OF CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- Three million dollars (\$3,000,000) 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 funding child care for income-eligible persons. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- Two million dollars (\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the human services department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of maintaining the current cash benefit level. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 3. APPROPRIATION. -- One million dollars

(\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the human services department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of maintaining the current project forward program. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 4. APPROPRIATION. -- Sixty-two million dollars (\$62,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the human services department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of maintaining for children one hundred eighty-five percent of the federal poverty level for medicaid eligibility. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 5. APPROPRIATION.--Two million dollars (\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the human

services department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of funding the general assistance program. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 6. APPROPRIATION. -- Six million dollars (\$6,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the human services department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of implementing a disregard of earned income program at one hundred percent of the federal poverty level. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 7. APPROPRIATION. -- Eight million dollars

(\$8,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the human services department for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of increasing the payment level of the temporary assistance for needy families grant to thirty-seven percent of the federal poverty level. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 8. APPROPRIATION. -- Six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) 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 passing through to the temporary assistance for needy families family unit one hundred dollars (\$100) per month of child support payments

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Section 9. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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# **HOUSE BILL 1339**

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

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  - On page 1, strike line 14 in its entirety. 2.
  - On page 1, line 15, strike "MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY,". 3.
- 4. On page 1, line 16, strike "FOR IMPLEMENTING A DISREGARD OF EARNED INCOME PROGRAM, ".
  - On page 1, strike lines 17 and 18 in their entirety. **5**.

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