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HOUSE BILL 168

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

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AN ACT

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR VARIOUS SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS
THROUGHOUT NEW MEXICO.**

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --

**A. Six million six hundred forty-two thousand
seven hundred fifty-six dollars (\$6,642,756) is appropriated
from the general fund to the state agency on aging for
expenditure in fiscal year 1999 for the following purposes and
in the following amounts:**

**(1) five million four hundred twenty-three
thousand nine hundred one dollars (\$5,423,901) to the six area
agencies on aging for senior services, including case
management, respite care, Alzheimer's respite care, adult
daycare, congregate meals, home delivered meals,**

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1 transportation and in-home services;

2 (2) six hundred seventy-four thousand two
3 hundred thirty-three dollars (\$674,233) to provide increased
4 volunteer positions for the foster grandparent, senior
5 companion and RSVP programs;

6 (3) eighty-seven thousand two hundred
7 seventy-two dollars (\$87,272) for increased information and
8 assistance and consultation and education services for
9 individuals with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders and
10 their families or caregivers;

11 (4) twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)
12 for statewide senior citizen olympics activities;

13 (5) two hundred twenty-six thousand one
14 hundred dollars (\$226,100) for statewide long-term care
15 ombudsman services; and

16 (6) two hundred six thousand two hundred
17 fifty dollars (\$206,250) for increased health insurance and
18 public benefits counseling efforts using peer counselors,
19 especially to assist older individuals to access the medicaid
20 managed care system.

21 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
22 remaining at the end of fiscal year 1999 shall revert to the
23 general fund.