HOUSE BILL 479

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A PILOT PROJECT TO EXTEND THE LENGTH OF THE SCHOOL CALENDAR IN CERTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the state department of public education for expenditure in fiscal year 1999 for the purpose of making an additional distribution to the first five school districts that submit qualified proposals to the department to extend the district's school calendar by not less than ten instructional days and not less than five in-service days. The department shall establish guidelines for proposals and shall fund the first five qualified districts within the fiscal constraints of the appropriation and within the guidelines established by the

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department. Distributions shall be made to each qualified district on a per unit basis. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1999 shall revert to the general fund.

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