AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINUATION OF A STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT OF NURSING NEEDS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION--PURPOSE.--One hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) is appropriated from the board of nursing fund to the board of nursing for expenditure in fiscal years 1999 through 2002 to contract for a statewide study of the need for additional nurses and the types of education and training necessary to meet New Mexico's health care demands. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the board of nursing fund.

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