1	HOUSE BILL 10
2	44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999
3	INTRODUCED BY
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10	AN ACT
11	RELATING TO MUNICIPALITIES; AMENDING DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE
12	SMALL CITIES ASSISTANCE FUND; INCREASING MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
16	Section 1. Section 3-37A-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1979,
17	Chapter 284, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1983, Chapter 205,
18	Section 1 and also by Laws 1983, Chapter 214, Section 1) is
19	amended to read:
20	"3-37A-2. DEFINITIONSAs used in the Small Cities
21	Assistance Act:
22	A. "municipality" means any incorporated city,
23	town or village, whether incorporated under general act,
24	special act or special charter, and incorporated counties and
25	H-class counties;
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1 **B**. "municipal share" means one and thirty-five 2 one-hundredths percent of the taxable gross receipts as 3 defined in the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act 4 reported annually for each municipality to the [revenuedivision of the] taxation and revenue department during a 5 twelve-month period ending June 30; 6 "total municipal share" means the sum of all 7 С. 8 municipal shares; "statewide per capita average" means the 9 D. 10 quotient of the total municipal share divided by the total 11 statewide municipal population; 12 Ε. "municipal per capita average" means the 13 quotient of the municipal share divided by the municipality's 14 popul ati on; "population" means the most recent official F. 15 census or estimate determined by the bureau of the census or, 16 17 if neither is available, "population" means an estimate as 18 determined by the local government division of the department 19 of finance and administration; 20 "local tax effort" means the amount produced by G. a one-fourth of one percent municipal gross receipts tax in 21 22 the previous fiscal year; 23 "qualifying municipality" means a municipality H. 24 [(1)] with a population [which is] of less 25 than ten thousand [(2) with a municipal per capita average . 124883. 3 - 2 -

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less than the statewide per capita average; and (3) which]
 that has enacted on or before the last day of the preceding
 fiscal year an ordinance or ordinances imposing a municipal
 gross receipts tax pursuant to [the Municipal Gross Receipts
 Tax Act] Section 7-19D-9 NMSA 1978 at a rate of one-fourth of
 one percent or more; and

7 I. "enacted" means adopted by a majority of the
8 members of the governing body of the municipality pursuant to
9 Section [7-19-4] 7-19D-9 NMSA 1978 and:

10 (1) for which no election has been called in
11 the manner and within the time provided by Section [7-19-4]
12 7-19D-9 NMSA 1978; or

(2) which has been approved by a majority of the registered voters voting on the question pursuant to Section [7-19-4] 7-19D-9 NMSA 1978."

Section 2. Section 3-37A-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1979, Chapter 284, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"3-37A-3. SMALL CITIES ASSISTANCE FUND--DISTRIBUTION.--

A. The "small cities assistance fund" is created within the state treasury.

B. On January 31 of each year, the local government division of the department of finance and administration shall certify to the taxation and revenue department the population of each municipality in the state.

C. On or before June 10 of each year, the taxation . 124883.3

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1 and revenue department shall compute the distribution share of 2 each qualifying municipality. The distribution share shall be an amount equal to the product of the qualifying 3 4 municipality's population multiplied by the difference between 5 the statewide per capita average and the municipal per capita average less the local tax effort of the qualifying 6 7 municipality; provided that the distribution share shall not 8 exceed [thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)] fifty thousand 9 dollars (\$50,000) if the qualifying municipality has a 10 population of five thousand or less and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) if the qualifying municipality has a 11 12 population of more than five thousand but less than ten 13 thousand; and provided that for any municipality with a 14 population of less than ten thousand which does not qualify for a distribution or [any qualifying municipality] which 15 16 qualifies for a distribution of less than [fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) shall receive a distribution of fifteen 17 18 thousand dollars (\$15,000)] the minimum amount, the 19 distribution share shall be the minimum amount; and provided 20 further that if the balance in the small cities assistance 21 fund on the preceding May 30 is less than the sum of the 22 distribution shares [then] calculated pursuant to Subsection C 23 of this section, the taxation and revenue department shall 24 [first] reduce the distribution share of each municipality 25 whose distribution share is in excess of [fifteen thousand

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1	dollars (\$15,000)] <u>the minimum amount</u> in an amount calculated
2	according to the following formula:
3	municipal distribution share in excess
4	of [\$15,000] <u>the minimum amount</u> X deficiency in fund
5	sum of municipal distribution shares in
6	excess of [\$15,000] <u>the minimum amount</u>
7	so long as no municipality's distribution share is reduced
8	below [fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)] <u>the minimum amount</u> ,
9	and until each municipality's distribution share is reduced to
10	[fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)] <u>the minimum amount</u> , if
11	necessary; and provided further that if the sum of the
12	distribution shares when each share is reduced to [fifteen
13	thousand dollars (\$15,000)] <u>the minimum amount</u> is still in
14	excess of the balance in the small cities assistance fund on
15	the preceding May 30, [then] the taxation and revenue
16	department shall reduce each municipality's [fifteen thousand
17	dollar (\$15,000)] <u>minimum amount</u> distribution share by a
18	percentage equal to a percentage computed by dividing the
19	amount by which the fund is insufficient by the sum of all the
20	distribution shares. The taxation and revenue department
21	shall certify the amount of the distribution shares to the
22	state treasurer.
23	D. The state treasurer shall distribute from the

D. The state treasurer shall distribute from the small cities assistance fund on or before June 15 of each year to each qualifying municipality the amount certified by the .124883.3

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taxation and revenue department for each qualifying
 municipality for the period ending May 30 of the preceding
 year.

E. Immediately after distribution to
municipalities from the small cities assistance fund but no
later than June 30 of each year, the unexpended or
unencumbered balance in the small cities assistance fund
remaining after the distribution to the qualifying
municipalities shall revert to the general fund.

F. Funds distributed under this section shall be placed in the general fund of the qualifying municipalities receiving distributions.

<u>G. As used in this section, "minimum amount"</u> <u>means:</u>

15 (1) for a municipality with a population of
16 five thousand or less, thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000); and
17 (2) for a municipality with a population of
18 more than five thousand but less than ten thousand, twenty
19 thousand dollars (\$20,000). "

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 1999.

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