1	HOUSE BILL 244
2	44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999
3	INTRODUCED BY
4	Edward C. Sandoval
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8	FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
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10	AN ACT
11	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO ESTABLISH A PATIENT PROTECTION
12	OMBUDSMAN IN THE DIVISION OF INSURANCE OF THE PUBLIC
13	REGULATION COMMISSION.
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
16	Section 1. APPROPRIATIONFive hundred thousand dollars
17	(\$500,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
18	division of insurance of the public regulation commission for
19	expenditure in fiscal year 2000 for the establishment and
20	operation of a patient protection ombudsman office in the
21	division of insurance to assist in the implementation of the
22	Patient Protection Act. Any unexpended or unencumbered
23	balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000 shall revert
24	to the general fund.
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