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HOUSE BILL 199

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

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FOR THE INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO FUND A WATER RIGHTS FACILITATOR TO
RESOLVE SAN JUAN RIVER WATER RIGHTS ISSUES BETWEEN THE STATE
AND THE NAVAJO NATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --Twenty-five thousand dollars
(\$25,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the New
Mexico office of Indian affairs for expenditure in fiscal years
2001 and 2002 to fund a facilitator for water rights
negotiations between the state and the Navajo Nation regarding
the water in the San Juan river basin. Any unexpended or
unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002
shall revert to the general fund.**

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

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