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**SENATE BILL 16**

**45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2002**

**INTRODUCED BY**

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**FOR THE WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**AN ACT**

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDY BY THE LEA AND CARLSBAD  
SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE  
USE OF WATER PRODUCED BY OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION FROM DEEP  
UNDERGROUND.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --Five hundred thousand dollars  
(\$500,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the board  
of regents of New Mexico state university for expenditure in  
fiscal year 2003 to finance a study by the Lea and Carlsbad  
soil and water conservation districts of issues related to the  
use of water produced by oil and gas exploration from deep  
underground. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining  
at the end of fiscal year 2003 shall revert to the general  
fund.**

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