

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE; ALLOWING COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL
TREASURERS TO INVEST IN SECURITIES OF AGENCIES SPONSORED BY THE
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

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

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Section 1. Section 6-10-10 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1933, Chapter 175,
Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

"6-10-10. DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.--

A. Upon the certification or designation of a bank, savings and loan
association or credit union whose deposits are insured by an agency of the United
States to receive public money on deposit, the state treasurer and county or municipal
treasurers who have on hand any public money by virtue of their offices shall make
deposit of that money in banks and savings and loan associations, and may make
deposit of that money in credit unions whose deposits are insured by an agency of the
United States, designated by the authority authorized by law to so designate to receive
the deposits of all money thereafter received or collected by the treasurers.

B. County or municipal treasurers may deposit money in one or more
accounts with any such bank, savings and loan association or credit union located in
their respective counties, subject to limitation on credit union accounts.

C. The state treasurer may deposit money in one or more accounts
with any such bank, savings and loan association or credit union, subject to the
limitation on credit union accounts.

D. Duplicate receipts or deposit slips shall be taken for each deposit

made pursuant to Subsection A, B or C of this section. When deposits are made by the state treasurer, one copy of the receipt or deposit slip shall be retained by the state treasurer and the other copy shall be filed monthly on the first day of each month with the financial control division of the department of finance and administration. When deposits are made by the treasurer or any other authorized person making the deposits for a board of finance of a public or educational institution, one copy of the receipt or deposit slip shall be retained by the treasurer or authorized person making the deposit and the other copy shall be filed monthly on the first day of each month with that board of finance. When deposits are made by a county or municipal treasurer, one of the duplicate receipts or deposit slips shall be retained by the treasurer making the deposit and the other copy shall be filed monthly on the first day of each month with the secretary of the board of finance of the county or municipality for which that treasurer is acting.

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E. "Deposit", as used in this section, means either investment or deposit and includes share, share certificate and share draft.

F. County or municipal treasurers, with the advice and consent of their respective boards of finance charged with the supervision and control of the respective funds, have the power to invest all sinking funds or money remaining unexpended from the proceeds of any issue of bonds or other negotiable securities of any county, municipality or school district that is entrusted to their care and custody and all money not immediately necessary for the public uses of the counties, municipalities or school districts not invested or deposited in banks, savings and loan associations or credit unions in:

- (1) bonds or negotiable securities of the United States, the

state or a county, municipality or school district that has a taxable valuation of real property for the last preceding year of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000) and has not defaulted in the payment of any interest or sinking fund obligation or failed to meet any bonds at maturity at any time within five years last preceding; or

(2) securities that are issued by the United States government or by its agencies or instrumentalities and that are either direct obligations of the United States, the federal home loan mortgage association, the federal national mortgage association, the federal farm credit bank or the student loan marketing association or are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government.

G. The treasurer of a class A county or the treasurer of a municipality having a population of more than sixty-five thousand according to the most recent federal decennial census and located within a class A county, with the advice and consent of the boards of finance charged with the supervision and control of the funds, has the power to invest all sinking funds or money remaining unexpended from the proceeds of any issue of bonds or other negotiable securities of the county or municipality that is entrusted to his care and custody and all money not immediately necessary for the public uses of the county or municipality not invested or deposited in banks, savings and loan associations or credit unions in:

(1) shares of a diversified investment company registered pursuant to the federal Investment Company Act of 1940 that invests in fixed income securities or debt instruments that are listed in a nationally recognized, broad-market, fixed-income-securities market index; provided that the investment company or manager has total assets under management of at least one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) and provided that the board of finance of the county or municipality

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may allow reasonable administrative and investment expenses to be paid directly from the income or assets of these investments;

(2) individual, common or collective trust funds of banks or trust companies that invest in fixed-income securities or debt instruments that are listed in a nationally recognized, broad-market, fixed-income-securities market index; provided that the investment company or manager has total assets under management of at least one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) and provided that the board of finance of the county or municipality may allow reasonable administrative and investment expenses to be paid directly from the income or assets of these investments; or

(3) shares of pooled investment funds managed by the state investment officer, as provided in Subsection G of Section 6-8-7 NMSA 1978; provided that the board of finance of the county or municipality may allow reasonable administrative and investment expenses to be paid directly from the income or assets of these investments.

H. A local public body, with the advice and consent of the body charged with the supervision and control of the local public body's respective funds, has the power to invest all sinking funds or money remaining unexpended from the proceeds of any issue of bonds or other negotiable securities of the investor that is entrusted to the local public body's care and custody and all money not immediately necessary for the public uses of the investor and not otherwise invested or deposited in banks, savings and loan associations or credit unions in contracts with banks, savings and loan associations or credit unions for the present purchase and resale at a specified time in the future of specific securities at specified prices at a price

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differential representing the interest income to be earned by the investor. The contract shall be fully secured by obligations of the United States or other securities backed by the United States having a market value of at least one hundred two percent of the contract. The collateral required for investment in the contracts provided for in this subsection shall be shown on the books of the financial institution as being the property of the investor and the designation shall be contemporaneous with the investment. As used in this subsection, "local public body" includes all political subdivisions of the state and agencies, instrumentalities and institutions thereof; provided that home rule municipalities that prior to July 1, 1994 had enacted ordinances authorizing the investment of repurchase agreements may continue investment in repurchase agreements pursuant to those ordinances.

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I. The state treasurer, with the advice and consent of the state board of finance, has the power to invest money held in demand deposits and not immediately needed for the operation of state government and money held in the short-term investment fund, except as provided in Section 6-10-10.1 NMSA 1978. The investments shall be made only in securities that are issued by the United States government or by its departments or agencies and are either direct obligations of the United States or are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government or agencies sponsored by the United States government.

J. The state treasurer, with the advice and consent of the state board of finance, may also invest in contracts for the present purchase and resale at a specified time in the future, not to exceed one year or, in the case of bond proceeds, not to exceed three years, of specific securities at specified prices at a price differential representing the interest income to be earned by the state. No such contract shall be

invested in unless the contract is fully secured by obligations of the United States or other securities backed by the United States having a market value of at least one hundred two percent of the amount of the contract.

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K. The state treasurer, with the advice and consent of the state board of finance, may also invest in contracts for the temporary exchange of state-owned securities for the use of broker-dealers, banks or other recognized institutional investors in securities, for periods not to exceed one year for a specified fee rate. No such contract shall be invested in unless the contract is fully secured by exchange of an irrevocable letter of credit running to the state, cash or equivalent collateral of at least one hundred two percent of the market value of the securities plus accrued interest temporarily exchanged.

L. The collateral required for either of the forms of investment in Subsection J or K of this section shall be delivered to the fiscal agent of New Mexico or its designee contemporaneously with the transfer of funds or delivery of the securities at the earliest time industry practice permits, but in all cases, settlement shall be on a same-day basis.

M. Neither of the contracts in Subsection J or K of this section shall be invested in unless the contracting bank, brokerage firm or recognized institutional investor has a net worth in excess of five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000).

N. The state treasurer, with the advice and consent of the state board of finance, may also invest in any of the following investments in an amount not to exceed forty percent of any fund that the state treasurer invests:

(1) commercial paper rated "prime" quality by a national rating service, issued by corporations organized and operating within the United States;

(2) medium-term notes and corporate notes with a maturity not exceeding five years that are rated A or its equivalent or better by a nationally recognized rating service and that are issued by a corporation organized and operating in the United States; or

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(3) an asset-backed obligation with a maturity not exceeding five years that is rated AAA or its equivalent by a nationally recognized rating service.

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O. The state treasurer, with the advice and consent of the state board of finance, may also invest in:

(1) shares of a diversified investment company registered pursuant to the federal Investment Company Act of 1940 that invests in United States fixed income securities or debt instruments authorized pursuant to Subsections I, J and N of this section, provided that the investment company has total assets under management of at least one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) and the investments made by the state treasurer pursuant to this paragraph are less than five percent of the assets of the investment company; or

(2) individual, common or collective trust funds of banks or trust companies that invest in United States fixed income securities or debt instruments authorized pursuant to Subsections I, J and N of this section, provided that the investment manager has assets under management of at least one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) and the investments made by the state treasurer pursuant to this paragraph are less than five percent of the assets of the individual, common or collective trust fund.

P. No public funds to be invested in negotiable securities or loans to financial institutions fully secured by negotiable securities at current market value shall

be paid out unless there is a contemporaneous transfer of the securities at the earliest time industry practice permits, but in all cases, settlement shall be on a same-day basis either by physical delivery or, in the case of uncertificated securities, by appropriate book entry on the books of the issuer, to the purchaser or to a reputable third-party safekeeping financial institution acting as agent or trustee for the purchaser, which agent or trustee shall furnish timely confirmation to the purchaser."