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**SENATE BILL 290**

**46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003**

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**FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**AN ACT**

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO RAISE ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE-  
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE SERVICES.**

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

**Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- Two million dollars  
(\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
children, youth and families department for expenditure in  
fiscal year 2004 for the purpose of serving new clients by  
raising the eligibility for state-subsidized child care from  
one hundred percent to two hundred percent of the federal  
poverty level and creating a waiting list of those clients  
under the eligibility ceiling who are ineligible due to  
insufficient funding. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance  
remaining at the end of fiscal year 2004 shall revert to the  
general fund.**

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