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SENATE BILL 373

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

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AN ACT

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE
COURTS FOR THE ONE PERCENT FOR CHILDREN INITIATIVE.**

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. - -

**A. One million thirty-one thousand one hundred
ninety-five dollars (\$1,031,195) is appropriated from the
general fund to the administrative office of the courts in
fiscal year 2006 in the following amounts for the one percent
for children initiative:**

**(1) three hundred fifty-six thousand three
hundred thirteen dollars (\$356,313) for court-appointed
attorney fees in child abuse and neglect cases;**

**(2) three hundred five thousand six hundred
seventy-six dollars (\$305,676) for the children's court**

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1 mediation project that provides mediation services in abuse and
2 neglect cases;

3 (3) two hundred forty thousand nine hundred
4 fifty-eight dollars (\$240,958) for the court-appointed special
5 advocate program that provides trained volunteer advocates for
6 children in foster care because of parental abuse and neglect;
7 and

8 (4) one hundred twenty-eight thousand two
9 hundred forty-eight dollars (\$128,248) for the access and
10 visitation program that provides parents and children a safe
11 place for visitations or exchanges of children between parents
12 in cases of abuse, neglect, separation, divorce, substance
13 abuse, mental illness or family violence.

14 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
15 at the end of fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the general
16 fund.