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SENATE BILL 4

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

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AN ACT

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO OFFSET INCREASED PUBLIC SAFETY
EXPENSES OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND SHERIFFS'
DEPARTMENTS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS. --

A. The following amounts are appropriated from the
general fund to the following agencies in fiscal year 2006 as
follows to offset increased public safety expenses because of
increased gasoline prices:

- (1) to the state fire marshal, two million
dollars (\$2,000,000) to be divided among the volunteer and
predominantly volunteer fire departments; provided that the
distribution shall be based on ten percent of each department's
current-year distribution from the fire protection fund; and

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1 (2) to the local government division of the
2 department of finance and administration, one million six
3 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,650,000) to be divided
4 equally among all county sheriff offices.

5 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
6 at the end of fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the general
7 fund.

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

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