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HOUSE BILL 15

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATORS; EXPANDING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE
EDUCATOR LICENSURE FUND MAY BE EXPENDED.

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

Section 1. Section 22-8-44 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1997,
Chapter 238, Section 6, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-8-44. EDUCATOR LICENSURE FUND--DISTRIBUTION--
APPROPRIATION.--

A. The "educator licensure fund" is created in the
state treasury and shall be administered by the department.
The fund shall consist of money collected from application fees
for licensure or for renewal of licensure by the [~~state board~~]
department.

B. Subject to legislative appropriation, money in
the fund is appropriated to the department for the following

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1 purposes:

2 (1) to fund the educator background check
3 program;

4 (2) to enforce educator ethics requirements;

5 and

6 (3) to process applications for licensure or
7 for renewal of licensure, including review of professional
8 development dossiers.

9 C. Money in the fund and any interest that may
10 accrue to the fund shall not revert at the end of the fiscal
11 year but shall remain to the credit of the fund."

12 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
13 provisions of this act is July 1, 2008.

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