

1 SENATE CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
2 SENATE BILL 159

3 **49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCESS TO BUDGET INFORMATION; REQUIRING
12 CREATION OF A SEARCHABLE BUDGET DATABASE WITH PUBLIC ACCESS;
13 ENACTING THE BUDGET TRANSPARENCY ACT.

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

16 Section 1. SHORT TITLE.--This act may be cited as the
17 "Budget Transparency Act".

18 Section 2. DEFINITION.--As used in the Budget
19 Transparency Act, "department" means the department of finance
20 and administration.

21 Section 3. SEARCHABLE BUDGET DATABASE--PUBLIC ACCESS--
22 REQUIRED CREATION.--

23 A. The secretary of finance and administration, in
24 coordination with the secretary of information technology,
25 shall develop and make available to the public an easily

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1 accessible, searchable budget database on the department's web
2 site that is a single unit and that displays the state
3 operating budget for each year beginning with fiscal year 2011
4 by August 1 of each fiscal year.

5 B. The state budget database shall include all
6 appropriations of state and federal money available for
7 expenditure in the fiscal year.

8 Section 4. STATE BUDGETS.--

9 A. A budget shall remain available and able to be
10 searched on the web site of the department for at least a ten-
11 year period.

12 B. No later than August 1, 2011, and in every
13 subsequent year, the secretary of finance and administration
14 shall post operating budgets for the current fiscal year on the
15 department's web site. The budgets shall be able to be
16 searched and made clearly accessible to the public.