

AN ACT

RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE EXPENDITURES; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION OF THE FIFTIETH LEGISLATURE AND EXPENSES RELATED TO PRE-SESSION; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM LEGISLATIVE CASH BALANCES FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO AN IMPEACHMENT INVESTIGATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. SPECIAL SESSION--APPROPRIATION.--

A. The following amounts are appropriated from the general fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2012 for the following expenses of the first special session of the fiftieth legislature:

(1) for the expense of the house of representatives, five hundred twenty-seven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$527,800) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the speaker and the chief clerk of the house of representatives or the chief clerk's designee;

(2) for the expense of the senate, four hundred seventy-two thousand three hundred sixty dollars (\$472,360) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the committees' committee and the chief clerk of the senate or the chief clerk's designee; and

(3) for the expense of the legislative

council service, the joint bill room and the legislative switchboard, two hundred ten thousand dollars (\$210,000) to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council service or the director's designee.

B. Following adjournment of the first special session of the fiftieth legislature, expenditures authorized in this section shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council service or the director's designee.

SECTION 2. IMPEACHMENT INVESTIGATION.--One million dollars (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from legislative cash balances to the legislative council service for the purpose of providing for the necessary expenditures incurred by the legislature in the event that there are impeachment proceedings regarding the public regulation commissioner from district 3.

SECTION 3. PRE-SESSION MEETINGS.--Standing committees necessary for the development of the state budget are authorized to meet the week before the 2012 legislative session.

SECTION 4. PRE-SESSION EXPENSES.--Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council service for certain standing committees to meet the week before the 2012 legislative session pursuant to Section 3 of this act.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
peace, health and safety that this act take effect
immediately.
