

HOUSE BILL 246

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AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER; ESTABLISHING THE ADVANCED MAPPING FUND;

PROVIDING FOR ADVANCED MAPPING BY THE STATE ENGINEER; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] ADVANCED MAPPING FUND-CREATED.--

A. The "advanced mapping fund" is created in the state treasury. The fund consists of appropriations and donations from the state and federal governments or political subdivisions of the state or private entities and income from investment of the fund and money otherwise accruing to the fund. Money in the fund shall not revert to any other fund at the end of a fiscal year. The office of the state engineer shall administer the fund, and money in the fund is subject to

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appropriation by the legislature for advanced mapping by the state engineer. Money in the fund shall be disbursed on warrants signed by the secretary of finance and administration pursuant to vouchers signed by the state engineer or the state engineer's authorized representative.

B. As used in this section, "advanced mapping" means mapping that uses technologies such as light detection and ranging; underground aquifer mapping; high-resolution aerial photography; and three-dimensional mapping.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--One million dollars (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the advanced mapping fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2019 and subsequent fiscal years to provide for advanced mapping projects by the state engineer. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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