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SENATE BILL 332

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SEVERANCE TAX BONDS FOR A BUSINESS PARK IN TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES IN SIERRA COUNTY; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. SEVERANCE TAX BONDS--PURPOSE FOR WHICH ISSUED-- APPROPRIATION OF PROCEEDS.--The state board of finance may issue and sell severance tax bonds in compliance with the Severance Tax Bonding Act in an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) when the local government division of the department of finance and administration certifies the need for the issuance of the bonds. The state board of finance shall schedule the issuance and sale of the bonds in the most expeditious and economical manner possible upon a finding by the

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1 board that the project has been developed sufficiently to
2 justify the issuance and that the project can proceed to
3 contract within a reasonable time. The state board of finance
4 shall further take the appropriate steps necessary to comply
5 with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The
6 proceeds from the sale of the bonds are appropriated to the
7 local government division for the purpose of building the
8 necessary infrastructure for a business park in Truth or
9 Consequences located in Sierra county. Any unexpended or
10 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000
11 shall revert to the severance tax bonding fund. If the local
12 government division has not certified the need for the issuance
13 of the bonds by the end of fiscal year 1999, the authorization
14 provided in this section shall be void.

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