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SENATE BILL 496

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

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SEVERANCE TAX BONDS FOR THE HOP CANYON ROAD IN SOCORRO 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 state highway and transportation department 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 board that the project has been developed sufficiently to justify the issuance and that the

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1 project can proceed to contract within a reasonable time. The  
2 state board of finance shall further take the appropriate steps  
3 necessary to comply with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as  
4 amended. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds are  
5 appropriated to the state highway and transportation department  
6 for the purpose of paving a portion of Hop Canyon road located  
7 in Socorro county. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance  
8 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000 shall revert to the  
9 severance tax bonding fund. If the state highway and  
10 transportation department has not certified the need for the  
11 issuance of the bonds by the end of fiscal year 1999, the  
12 authorization provided in this section shall be void.

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