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HOUSE BILL 287

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

INTRODUCED BY

Patsy Trujillo Knauer

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO SANTA FE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR AN  
EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL DEVELOPMENT PILOT PROJECT.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. --

A. One hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000)  
is appropriated from the general fund to the community college  
board of Santa Fe community college for expenditure in fiscal  
year 2000 for the purpose of conducting the first year of a  
two-year pilot program at Santa Fe community college and the  
Bernalillo public schools to study early childhood mental  
development, as provided in Subsection B of this section.  
Money from this appropriation may be used to contract for  
experts to conduct the pre- and post-measurements necessary to

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1 assess the results of the study and to carry out the pilot  
2 project at the Bernalillo public schools. Any unexpended or  
3 unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000  
4 shall revert to the general fund.

5 B. In conducting the early childhood mental  
6 development pilot program, Santa Fe community college shall  
7 implement a design based on the brain development research  
8 being conducted by Santa Fe institute that explores the  
9 outcomes associated with enriched environments for young  
10 children. The program shall provide and train enrichment  
11 teachers to work with and train caregivers of selected groups  
12 of children under three years old in child-care settings in  
13 Santa Fe and through the Bernalillo public schools to provide  
14 the stimulation and experiences that are being tested to  
15 foster optimum brain development. Santa Fe community college  
16 shall report its progress on the study to the second session  
17 of the forty-fourth legislature.

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8 Mr. Speaker:  
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10 Your CONSUMER AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to  
11 whom has been referred  
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15 has had it under consideration and reports same with  
16 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the  
17 APPROPRIATIONS & FINANCE COMMITTEE.

18 Respectfully submitted,  
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23 Patsy Trujillo Knauer,  
24 Chairwoman  
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The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

Excused: None

Absent: None

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