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AN ACT
RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT;
APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE EXPENSE OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH
LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION, 2022, AND FOR OTHER LEGISLATIVE
EXPENSES, INCLUDING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE, THE
LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION
STUDY COMMITTEE, THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, THE SENATE CHIEF
CLERK'S OFFICE, THE HOUSE CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE AND OTHER
EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. SESSION EXPENSES.--

A. There is appropriated from the general fund for
the expense of the legislative department of the state of New
Mexico for the second session of the fifty-fifth legislature
for per diem and mileage of its members, for salaries of
employees and for other expenses of the legislature, five
million nine hundred sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars
(\$5,916,800) or so much thereof as may be necessary for such
purposes.

B. The expenditures referred to in Subsection A of
this section are as follows:

- (1) per diem for members of the senate . . .
. \$ 217,980;
- (2) per diem for members of the house of

1 representatives \$ 363,300;

2 (3) mileage traveled by members of the
3 senate going to and returning from the seat of government by
4 the usually traveled route, one round trip. \$ 6,700;

5 (4) mileage traveled by members of the house
6 of representatives going to and returning from the seat of
7 government by the usually traveled route, one round trip. . .
8 \$ 10,760;

9 (5) salaries and employee benefits of senate
10 employees \$ 1,771,661;

11 (6) salaries and employee benefits of house
12 of representatives employees. \$ 1,665,200;

13 (7) for expense of the senate not itemized
14 above, three hundred ninety-five thousand eight hundred
15 fifty-nine dollars (\$395,859). No part of this item may be
16 transferred to salaries or employee benefits;

17 (8) for expense of the house of
18 representatives not itemized above, four hundred twenty-six
19 thousand five hundred forty dollars (\$426,540). No part of
20 this item may be transferred to salaries or employee
21 benefits; and

22 (9) for session expenses of the legislative
23 council service, the joint billroom and mailroom and joint
24 legislative switchboard, one million fifty-eight thousand
25 eight hundred dollars (\$1,058,800) to be disbursed upon

1 vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council
2 service or the director's designee.

3 C. The expenditures for the senate shall be
4 disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the committees'
5 committee and the chief clerk of the senate or the chief
6 clerk's designee. The expenditures for the house of
7 representatives shall be disbursed on vouchers signed by the
8 speaker and chief clerk of the house of representatives or
9 the chief clerk's designee. Following adjournment of the
10 session, expenditures authorized pursuant to Paragraphs (1)
11 through (8) of Subsection B of this section shall be
12 disbursed upon vouchers signed by the director of the
13 legislative council service or the director's designee.

14 D. Under the printing contracts entered into for
15 the second session of the fifty-fifth legislature, the chair
16 of the committees' committee of the senate, subject to the
17 approval of the committee, and the speaker of the house of
18 representatives are authorized and directed to provide for
19 the printing of all bills, resolutions, joint resolutions,
20 memorials and joint memorials introduced in the senate or
21 house, the printing of the bill locator and the printing of
22 all necessary stationery required for use in the respective
23 houses. They are further directed to provide for the
24 purchase of all supplies necessary for use in the respective
25 houses within the appropriation provided. The orders for

1 printing, stationery and supplies shall be approved by the
2 chair of the committees' committee of the senate or by the
3 speaker of the house of representatives.

4 SECTION 2. BILLS AND OTHER PRINTED MATERIALS.--

5 A. For the second session of the fifty-fifth
6 legislature, bills, resolutions, joint resolutions, memorials
7 and joint memorials delivered to the printer shall be
8 returned by the printer to the joint billroom within forty-
9 two hours after they are ordered to be printed. The billroom
10 personnel shall supply a complete file of bills, resolutions,
11 joint resolutions, memorials, joint memorials and other
12 printed distribution materials to the following:

13 (1) upon request, one copy to each member of
14 the house of representatives and the senate;

15 (2) upon written request, one copy to each
16 county clerk, district judge, radio or television station and
17 newspaper and to the general library of each state-supported
18 institution of higher learning; and

19 (3) upon written request, one copy to each
20 state department, commission, board, institution or agency,
21 each elected state official, each incorporated municipality,
22 each district attorney, each ex-governor, each member of the
23 New Mexico congressional delegation and each school district
24 in the state.

25 B. Any person not listed in Subsection A of this

1 section may secure a complete file of the bills, resolutions,
2 joint resolutions, memorials and joint memorials of the
3 legislature by depositing with the legislative council
4 service the amount of four hundred dollars (\$400), which
5 deposit shall be paid to the state treasurer to the credit of
6 the legislative expense fund. Additional single copies of
7 items of legislation shall be sold for two dollars (\$2.00)
8 unless the director of the legislative council service shall,
9 because of its length, assign a higher price not to exceed
10 ten cents (\$.10) per page. Copies of a daily bill locator,
11 other than those copies furnished to each member of the
12 respective houses, shall be supplied by the legislative
13 council service at a charge of one hundred thirty-five
14 dollars (\$135) for the entire session.

15 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE.--There is
16 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council
17 service, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director
18 of the legislative council service or the director's
19 designee, one million five hundred thousand dollars
20 (\$1,500,000) for expenditure in fiscal year 2022 and
21 subsequent fiscal years for the ongoing planning, output
22 development and design of a legislative processing system,
23 and for fiscal year 2023 the following:

24	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$5,707,000
25	Contractual Services	758,200

1	Other Costs	985,700
2	Total	\$7,450,900.

3 **SECTION 4. LEGISLATURE.**--There is appropriated from the
4 general fund or other source as indicated for the expense of
5 the legislative department, not provided for in Section 1 of
6 this act, for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 unless otherwise
7 indicated, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director
8 of the legislative council service or the director's
9 designee, the following:

10 A. for travel expenses of legislators other than
11 New Mexico legislative council members, on legislative
12 council business, for committee travel, staff and other
13 necessary expenses for other interim committees and for other
14 necessary legislative expenses, one million dollars
15 (\$1,000,000); provided that the New Mexico legislative
16 council may transfer amounts from the appropriation in this
17 subsection, during the fiscal years for which appropriated,
18 to any other legislative appropriation where they may be
19 needed;

20 B. for pre-session expenditures and for necessary
21 contracts, supplies and personnel for interim session
22 preparation, four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000);

23 C. for a statewide legislative intern program,
24 fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000);

25 D. for dues and fees of national organizations of

1 which the legislature is a member, four hundred eighteen
2 thousand dollars (\$418,000);

3 E. for the legislative information system, one
4 million seven hundred twenty-three thousand four hundred
5 dollars (\$1,723,400);

6 F. for audiovisual upgrades to committee rooms for
7 virtual, hybrid and webcasting hardware and software, two
8 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from legislative
9 cash balances;

10 G. for the contractual services of the capitol
11 buildings planning commission, one hundred fifty thousand
12 dollars (\$150,000); and

13 H. for the interim duties of the senate rules
14 committee, thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

15 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE.--There is
16 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative finance
17 committee for fiscal year 2023, to be disbursed on vouchers
18 signed by the chair of the committee or the chair's
19 designated representative, the following:

20	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$4,200,000
21	Contractual Services	330,000
22	Other Costs	313,900
23	Total	\$4,843,900.

24 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE.--

25 There is appropriated from the general fund to the

1 legislative education study committee for fiscal year 2023,
2 to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the
3 committee or the chair's designated representative, the
4 following:

5	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,255,300
6	Contractual Services	70,000
7	Other Costs	112,500
8	Total	\$1,437,800.

9 SECTION 7. HOUSE CHIEF CLERK.--There is appropriated
10 from the general fund to the legislative council service for
11 expenditure in fiscal year 2023 for the operation of the
12 house chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers
13 signed by the director of the legislative council service,
14 the following:

15	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,505,000
16	Contractual Services	253,100
17	Other Costs	45,000
18	Total	\$1,803,100.

19 SECTION 8. SENATE CHIEF CLERK.--There is appropriated
20 from the general fund to the legislative council service for
21 expenditure in fiscal year 2023 for the operation of the
22 senate chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers
23 signed by the director of the legislative council service,
24 the following:

25	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,603,700
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1	Contractual Services	218,800
2	Other Costs	53,200
3	Total	\$1,875,700.

4 **SECTION 9. OFFICIAL MASTER DATABASE OF LAWS--SELF-**
5 **PUBLICATION--TRANSITION TO NEW DATABASE TECHNOLOGY.--**There is
6 appropriated from the legislative cash balances for the
7 legislative department's share of the continued development
8 required for the master database of official annotated laws
9 of the state, markup language and tagging and its use for
10 legislative document systems and a tagged database of the
11 session laws and for the costs associated in collaborating
12 with the New Mexico compilation commission on the ongoing
13 development and expanding partnership role with the New
14 Mexico compilation commission in the self-publication of the
15 *New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978*, including completing the
16 transition to new database technology for freely accessible
17 laws and hard-copy publication, four hundred thousand dollars
18 (\$400,000) for expenditure during fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

19 **SECTION 10. CATEGORY TRANSFER.--**Amounts set out in
20 Sections 3 through 8 of this act are provided for
21 informational purposes only and may be transferred among
22 categories.

23 **SECTION 11. PERFORMANCE MEASURES.--**Each legislative
24 agency shall adhere to the performance measures specified in
25 its strategic plan and shall make reports as required in that

1 plan.

2 SECTION 12. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
3 peace, health and safety that this act take effect
4 immediately._____

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