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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 representatives \$ 363,300;
- (3) mileage traveled by members of the

1 senate going to and returning from the seat of government by
2 the usually traveled route, one round trip. . . . \$ 6,700;

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

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

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

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

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

20 (9) for session expenses of the legislative
21 council service, the joint billroom and mailroom and joint
22 legislative switchboard, one million fifty-eight thousand
23 eight hundred dollars (\$1,058,800) to be disbursed upon
24 vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council
25 service or the director's designee.

C. The expenditures for the senate shall be
disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the committees'

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

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

25 **SECTION 2. BILLS AND OTHER PRINTED MATERIALS.--**

A. For the second session of the fifty-fifth
legislature, bills, resolutions, joint resolutions, memorials

1 and joint memorials delivered to the printer shall be
2 returned by the printer to the joint billroom within forty-
3 two hours after they are ordered to be printed. The billroom
4 personnel shall supply a complete file of bills, resolutions,
5 joint resolutions, memorials, joint memorials and other
6 printed distribution materials to the following:

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

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

13 (3) upon written request, one copy to each
14 state department, commission, board, institution or agency,
15 each elected state official, each incorporated municipality,
16 each district attorney, each ex-governor, each member of the
17 New Mexico congressional delegation and each school district
18 in the state.

19 B. Any person not listed in Subsection A of this
20 section may secure a complete file of the bills, resolutions,
21 joint resolutions, memorials and joint memorials of the
22 legislature by depositing with the legislative council
23 service the amount of four hundred dollars (\$400), which
24 deposit shall be paid to the state treasurer to the credit of
25 the legislative expense fund. Additional single copies of
items of legislation shall be sold for two dollars (\$2.00)
unless the director of the legislative council service shall,

1 because of its length, assign a higher price not to exceed
2 ten cents (\$.10) per page. Copies of a daily bill locator,
3 other than those copies furnished to each member of the
4 respective houses, shall be supplied by the legislative
5 council service at a charge of one hundred thirty-five
6 dollars (\$135) for the entire session.

7 **SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE.**--There is
8 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council
9 service, to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the director
10 of the legislative council service or the director's
11 designee, one million five hundred thousand dollars
12 (\$1,500,000) for expenditure in fiscal year 2022 and
13 subsequent fiscal years for the ongoing planning, output
14 development and design of a legislative processing system,
15 and for fiscal year 2023 the following:

16	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$5,707,000
17	Contractual Services	758,200
18	Other Costs	985,700
19	Total	\$7,450,900.

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

A. for travel expenses of legislators other than

1 New Mexico legislative council members, on legislative
2 council business, for committee travel, staff and other
3 necessary expenses for other interim committees and for other
4 necessary legislative expenses, one million dollars
5 (\$1,000,000); provided that the New Mexico legislative
6 council may transfer amounts from the appropriation in this
7 subsection, during the fiscal years for which appropriated,
8 to any other legislative appropriation where they may be
9 needed;

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

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

15 D. for dues and fees of national organizations of
16 which the legislature is a member, four hundred eighteen
17 thousand dollars (\$418,000);

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

21 F. for audiovisual upgrades to committee rooms for
22 virtual, hybrid and webcasting hardware and software, two
23 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from legislative
24 cash balances;

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

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

3 **SECTION 5.** LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE.--There is
4 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative finance
5 committee for fiscal year 2023, to be disbursed on vouchers
6 signed by the chair of the committee or the chair's
7 designated representative, the following:

8 Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$4,200,000
9 Contractual Services	330,000
10 Other Costs	313,900
11 Total	\$4,843,900.

12 **SECTION 6.** LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE.--

13 There is appropriated from the general fund to the
14 legislative education study committee for fiscal year 2023,
15 to be disbursed on vouchers signed by the chair of the
16 committee or the chair's designated representative, the
17 following:

18 Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,255,300
19 Contractual Services	70,000
20 Other Costs	112,500
21 Total	\$1,437,800.

22 **SECTION 7.** HOUSE CHIEF CLERK.--There is appropriated
23 from the general fund to the legislative council service for
24 expenditure in fiscal year 2023 for the operation of the
25 house chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers
signed by the director of the legislative council service,
the following:

1	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,505,000
2	Contractual Services	253,100
3	Other Costs	45,000
4	Total	\$1,803,100.

5 **SECTION 8.** SENATE CHIEF CLERK.--There is appropriated
6 from the general fund to the legislative council service for
7 expenditure in fiscal year 2023 for the operation of the
8 senate chief clerk's office, to be disbursed on vouchers
9 signed by the director of the legislative council service,
10 the following:

11	Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$1,603,700
12	Contractual Services	218,800
13	Other Costs	53,200
14	Total	\$1,875,700.

15 **SECTION 9.** OFFICIAL MASTER DATABASE OF LAWS--SELF-
16 PUBLICATION--TRANSITION TO NEW DATABASE TECHNOLOGY.--There is
17 appropriated from the legislative cash balances for the
18 legislative department's share of the continued development
19 required for the master database of official annotated laws
20 of the state, markup language and tagging and its use for
21 legislative document systems and a tagged database of the
22 session laws and for the costs associated in collaborating
23 with the New Mexico compilation commission on the ongoing
24 development and expanding partnership role with the New
25 Mexico compilation commission in the self-publication of the
New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978, including completing the
transition to new database technology for freely accessible

1 laws and hard-copy publication, four hundred thousand dollars
2 (\$400,000) for expenditure during fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

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

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7 **SECTION 11.** PERFORMANCE MEASURES.--Each legislative
8 agency shall adhere to the performance measures specified in
9 its strategic plan and shall make reports as required in that
10 plan.

11 **SECTION 12.** EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
12 peace, health and safety that this act take effect
13 immediately. _____
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