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HOUSE BILL 50

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; PROHIBITING LEGISLATIVE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION DISTRIBUTIONS TO PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR COLLEGES OF EDUCATION OR TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS THAT DO NOT PROVIDE INSTRUCTION WITH COURSES THAT ARE BASED ON SCIENTIFIC READING RESEARCH AND THE SCIENCE OF READING, THAT ARE ALIGNED WITH THE STATE READING STANDARDS AND THAT MEET OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

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

SECTION 1. PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS--TEACHER PREPARATION--SCIENCE-BASED READING INSTRUCTION.--

A. To qualify for legislative general fund instruction and general purposes funding, a college of education or teacher preparation program at a public post-

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1 secondary educational institution must instruct students in the
2 teaching of reading courses that are based on current
3 scientific reading research and the science of reading, that
4 are aligned with public-education-department-adopted reading
5 standards and that include strategies and assessment measures
6 to ensure that beginning teachers are proficient in teaching
7 reading.

8 B. No legislative general fund appropriation to a
9 public post-secondary educational institution for instructional
10 and general purposes shall be distributed to a college of
11 education or teacher preparation program if the college or
12 program does not meet the requirements of Subsection A of this
13 section during the fiscal year in which the legislative general
14 fund appropriation is to be distributed. The higher education
15 department shall certify that the college of education or
16 teacher preparation program meets the requirements of
17 Subsection A of the section.