

1 SENATE BILL 316

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

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10 AN ACT

11 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
12 TO CONTRACT WITH AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER TO PROMOTE THE  
13 EXPANSION AND SUSTAINED GROWTH OF LOCAL FARMS, RANCHES AND FOOD  
14 ENTREPRENEURS AND THE PRODUCTION, MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTION OF  
15 NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

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

18 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--

19 A. Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) is  
20 appropriated from the general fund to the economic development  
21 department for expenditure in fiscal year 2018 to contract with  
22 an economic development center in Bernalillo county to promote:

23 (1) the expansion and sustained growth of  
24 local farms, ranches and food entrepreneurs;

25 (2) value-added services support and

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1 improvements to the complete process from origin of local foods  
2 through distribution to the marketplace;

3 (3) market and facility development and  
4 improved infrastructure;

5 (4) intrastate, e-commerce and international  
6 trade of New Mexican food products; and

7 (5) the promotion and expansion of awareness  
8 and benefits of good nutrition through the purchase of clearly  
9 labeled food.

10 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining  
11 at the end of fiscal year 2018 shall revert to the general  
12 fund.