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SENATE BILL 95

**56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO PLAN, DESIGN, CONSTRUCT, REPLACE AND IMPROVE WATER LINES IN TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES IN SIERRA COUNTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. TEMPORARY PROVISIONS--FINDINGS OF EMERGENCY.--

-The legislature finds that this act is of the utmost importance and that an emergency shall be declared because of water line leaks that are causing the city of Truth or Consequences to lose more than twenty million gallons of water, or forty-three percent of its total water, per year.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.--Twenty million dollars

(\$20,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the local government division of the department of finance and

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1 administration for expenditure in fiscal years 2024 through  
2 2028 to plan, design, construct, replace and improve water  
3 lines in Truth or Consequences in Sierra county. Any  
4 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of  
5 fiscal year 2028 shall revert to the general fund.

6 SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public  
7 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.