

## 2018 Legislative Session

The 2018 legislative session started on a positive note compared to the previous two sessions. In December, the Consensus Revenue Estimate predicted \$199 million in new money for FY19, the Consensus Revenue group released new estimates on January 25<sup>th</sup>, and increased the new money for FY19 to \$292 million. The Severance Tax Bond capacity is \$142 million, \$80 million more than the previous year, and the General Obligation Bond capacity is \$165 million for FY19. The following summarizes how UNM fared in the 2018 Legislative Session.

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### ➤ **House Bill 2, General Appropriations Act of 2018**

- I&G budget:
  - Main Campus: \$179,839,600, a \$4,016,400 increase or 2.3%
  - Medical School: \$57,201,100, flat funding
  - Branch Campuses:
    - Gallup: \$8,358,600, a \$48,500 decrease or -0.5%
    - Los Alamos: \$1,728,900 a \$18,000 increase or 1.0%
    - Taos: \$3,365,500, a \$91,400 increase or 2.8%
    - Valencia: \$5,233,500, a \$98,300 increase or 1.9%
- Research and Public Service Projects
  - Main Campus: \$8,730,100, flat funding
  - Health Science Center: \$31,480,900, a \$500,000 increase for OMI
  - Branch Campuses: \$571,500, flat funding
- Non-Recurring Funding
  - \$475,000 for the Office of Medical Investigator for imaging scanner.
  - \$100,000 to develop suicide prevention strategies and provide training and workforce development to tribal communities.
- Below are the projects and programs which were **VETOED** in House Bill 2
  - Recurring Funding Vetoes
    - Language veto for Gallup Branch Workforce Development Program. The Governor vetoed “Gallup Brach” from the language. The \$200,000 appropriation remains in the legislation.
    - Veto of \$60,000 for minority student programs (\$20,000 African American Student Services, \$20,000 El Centro, and \$20,000 Native American Student Services).
    - Veto of \$125,000 for Chicana/Chicano student mentoring programs.
    - Veto of \$250,000 for Bioscience Authority at the Health Science Center.
  - Non-recurring Funding Vetoes
    - Veto \$200,000 for the Indigenous Design and Planning Institute.
    - Veto \$100,000 for the Mock Trial Program
    - Veto \$200,000 for BBER study on uranium clean-up training programs on the Navajo Nation.
    - Veto \$61,000 for Wildlife Law Education Programs.

- Compensation
  - The House Bill 2, General Appropriations Act, provides a 2% pay increase for all state employees, however, the bill uses the LFC's calculations of who is actually a state employee and actual dollar amount recommended by the LFC for UNM is below 2% due to the way they calculate who is actually a state employee.
  - The total compensation for UNM is \$4,665,300.
    - Main Campus: \$2,462,200
    - HSC: \$1,063,000
    - Branch Campuses
      - Gallup: \$127,600
      - Los Alamos: \$28,100
      - Taos: \$45,100
      - Valencia: \$76,200
    - Research and Public Service Projects
      - Main Campus: \$75,900
      - HSC: \$832,300

➤ **Lottery Scholarship:**

- In House Bill 2, the House Appropriations and Finance Committee included a one-time funding increase of \$4 million from the General Fund to keep the Lottery Scholarship distribution at the FY18 level of approximately 60%.
- **Senate Bill 140, Decouple Lottery Scholarship Awards from Tuition Costs, Senator Bill Soules**
  - Revamps the Legislative Lottery Tuition Scholarship from a uniform amount, no matter which eligible institution is attended, to a certain amount depending on the type of institution (research, comprehensive, community college) attended.
  - Proposes to award per scholarship per semester:
    - \$1,500 for a student enrolled at a research institution;
    - \$1020 for a student enrolled at a comprehensive institution; and
    - \$350 for a student enrolled at a community college.
  - Provides procedure for reducing award amounts when there is insufficient funding available and for increasing award amounts when available funding exceeds the base amount.

The projects below that are in bold and italics have been ***VETOED***.

➤ **Senate Bill 94, General Obligation:**

UNM – Clark Hall Renovation Phase 2	\$16,000,000
UNM – ROTC Complex	\$ 6,800,000
<b><i>UNM GALLUP – Construction Technologies Career Center</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 5,000,000</i></b>
<b><i>UNM LOS ALAMOS – Infrastructure and Classroom Updates</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 750,000</i></b>
UNM TAOS – College Pathways to Careers Center	\$ 4,300,000
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO TOTAL	\$32,850,000
<b>UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO TOTAL after Vetoes</b>	<b>\$27,100,000</b>

➤ **House Bill 306, Severance Tax Bond Projects:**

<i>UNM Baseball Facility Sound System</i>	\$ 73,000
UNM Basketball Facilities	\$ 150,000
UNM Campus Safety Lighting	\$ 125,801
UNM CHTM	\$ 56,500
<i>UNM Chicana and Chicano Studies Learning Lab</i>	\$ 90,000
UNM Cleanroom Vapor Etcher	\$ 43,801
<i>UNM Fine Arts Facility Renovate</i>	\$ 73,800
<i>UNM Indoor Practice Facility</i>	\$ 138,800
<i>UNM Music Practice Rooms Renovate</i>	\$ 123,800
UNM NM Poison and Drug Info Center	\$ 88,800
UNM Olympic Sports Training Facility	\$ 657,800
UNM Popejoy Hall Restrooms Improve	\$ 200,000
<i>UNM Predock Center Renovate</i>	\$ 193,000
UNM Student Veterans Support Center Improvements	\$ 170,000
<i>UNM Training Center Wet Room</i>	\$ 70,000
UNM University Stadium Improvements	\$ 250,000
<i>UNM Women's Cross Country Equipment</i>	\$ 30,000
<i>UNM Women's Softball Field Improvements</i>	\$ 25,000
<i>UNM-Taos Land Grant and Acequia Archives</i>	\$ 100,000
<b>UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,660,102</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO TOTAL after Vetoes</b>	<b>\$ 1,742,702</b>