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HOUSE BILL 223

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
2000**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; PROVIDING FOR THE CONTRACTION OF
TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL INSTITUTE DISTRICTS UNDER CERTAIN
CONDITIONS.

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

Section 1. A new section of the Technical and
Vocational Institute Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] CONTRACTION OF DISTRICTS.--

A. If, as a result of the creation of a new school
district, only a portion of the new school district is
included within an existing technical and vocational
institute district, then the technical and vocational
institute district may be contracted to exclude that portion
of the new school district. The district may be contracted
in the following manner:

- (1) a petition for contraction, signed by

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1 ten percent of the registered voters residing in the area
2 proposed to be excluded, shall be filed with the state board
3 of education;

4 (2) upon a determination by the state board
5 of education that the requisite number of registered voters
6 has signed the petition, the state board of education shall
7 call a special election for the purpose of referring the
8 question of contraction to the registered voters residing in
9 the area proposed to be excluded; and

10 (3) if a majority of the registered voters
11 voting at the special election authorizes the contraction,
12 the district shall be contracted to exclude that portion
13 within the new school district.

14 B. Nothing in this section diminishes any
15 obligation to pay district debts and liabilities outstanding
16 on the date of the contraction. All taxes previously levied
17 on property within the excluded area for the purpose of
18 paying the outstanding debts and liabilities, including
19 principal and interest on outstanding bonds, shall continue
20 until the debts and liabilities are satisfied."