

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 19

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE, THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AND THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION TO CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE RULES AND STATUTES GOVERNING EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, the education initiatives and accountability task force was established in 1999 by the New Mexico legislative council to study the history and development of the educational system in New Mexico, review educational reform initiatives and identify recommendations to the legislature for an improved educational system in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the education initiatives and accountability task force's overarching goal is to increase student achievement; and

WHEREAS, the education initiatives and accountability task force has been informed that there are many rules and statutes currently in existence that impede innovation in education and hinder the implementation of educational initiatives that have the potential of improving our current educational system; and

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1 WHEREAS, the education initiatives and accountability task
2 force desires that by New Mexico's one hundredth birthday, in
3 2012, all students graduate from high school multilingual and
4 prepared for higher education and productive careers and hopes
5 that the implementation of innovative educational initiatives
6 will help us reach this goal; and

7 WHEREAS, in order for all students to graduate from high
8 school multilingual and prepared for higher education and
9 productive careers, it is imperative for a review to be
10 conducted of the current rules and statutes in order to assess
11 which rules and statutes hamper innovations and impede
12 initiatives that may improve our state's educational system;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
14 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that, to improve lifelong learning and to
15 provide the children of this state with a quality education so
16 that they may be prepared for higher education and productive
17 careers and to be productive citizens of this state, the
18 legislative education study committee, the New Mexico
19 legislative council, the state department of public education
20 and the commission on higher education be requested to conduct
21 a sweeping review of the rules and statutes governing education
22 to identify those rules and statutes that impede innovation and
23 the overarching goal of improving student achievement; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the chairman of the
25 legislative education study committee, the co-chairmen of the
New Mexico legislative council, the superintendent of public
instruction and the executive director of the commission on
higher education report to the education initiatives and
accountability task force about their review of the rules and

1 statutes governing education by August 2000; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
3 transmitted to the legislative education study committee, New
4 Mexico legislative council, education initiatives and
5 accountability task force, state board of education,
6 superintendent of public instruction and executive director of
7 the commission on higher education.

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