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SENATE BILL 24

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2002

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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE; REQUIRING ALL REPORTS TO THE  
LEGISLATURE, OTHER THAN PROPOSED LEGISLATION, TO BE THREE  
PAGES OR LESS.

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

Section 1. Section 2-3-14.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1985,  
Chapter 19, Section 1) is amended to read:

"2-3-14.1. STATE AGENCIES--REPORTS.--~~[A.]~~ No state  
agency shall submit or send to the members of the legislature  
any material, other than proposed legislation, in excess of  
~~[five]~~ three pages.

~~[B. Nothing in this section shall limit the  
response of any agency to a direct request of a legislator or  
group of legislators nor the submission of the executive  
budget.]~~

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1           C. ~~All reports to the legislature by a state~~  
2 ~~agency shall be filed in duplicate with the legislative~~  
3 ~~council service and such reports shall not be subject to the~~  
4 ~~page limitations of this section. The service shall compile a~~  
5 ~~list of the reports submitted prior to each regular~~  
6 ~~legislative session since the beginning of the previous~~  
7 ~~regular session, listing the title and agency and distribute~~  
8 ~~the list among the legislators during the first week of the~~  
9 ~~session.~~

10           D. ~~Any legislator may request any report,~~  
11 ~~including those listed pursuant to Subsection C of this~~  
12 ~~section. Upon such a request, the state agency shall furnish~~  
13 ~~the report to the legislator.~~

14           E. ~~Compliance by a state agency with Subsection C~~  
15 ~~of this section shall fulfill any requirement of a state~~  
16 ~~agency to report to the legislature, unless the requirement is~~  
17 ~~specifically exempted from the requirements of this section.~~

18           F. ~~No state agency shall submit material bound~~  
19 ~~other than by staples unless the bulk or other qualities of~~  
20 ~~the material require other bindings; provided that, in all~~  
21 ~~cases, the most economical method of binding and packaging~~  
22 ~~shall be used.~~

23           G.] For the purposes of this section, "state  
24 agency" means any agency, division or instrumentality of the  
25 state. ~~[but does not include political subdivisions and~~

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1 ~~educational institutions or any of the legislature's divisions,~~  
2 ~~instrumentalities or committees.]"~~

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