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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION TO RECOGNIZE THAT FUNDING FOR THE STUDENT SERVICES COMPONENT OF THE FORMULA FOR OFF-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED AT THE SAME LEVEL AS THAT SET FOR ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION.

WHEREAS, students participate in higher education programs and services provided by New Mexico's public post-secondary educational institutions both on and off campus; and

WHEREAS, the term "student services component" means the functions institutions must provide to students in order to ensure student success, such as financial aid, registration, admissions, counseling and advising; and

WHEREAS, students enrolled in higher education programs at off-campus sites need and would benefit from the same services provided to students on campus; and

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WHEREAS, the commission on higher education deals with financial issues for post-secondary educational institutions and is concerned with the adequate financing of those institutions and with the equitable distribution of available funds among them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the commission on higher education be requested to recognize that funding for the student services component of the formula for off-campus instruction should be at the same level as that set for students on campus and that budget and revenue calculations reflect this beginning with appropriations made for fiscal year 2004; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the president of each post-secondary educational institution and to the executive director of the commission on higher education.

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