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REQUESTING THE MEMBERS OF NEW MEXICO'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO ENCOURAGE AUTOMAKERS TO DEVELOP TECHNOLOGY THAT WOULD NOTIFY DRIVERS WHEN A CHILD IS IN A CAR SEAT BEFORE THE DRIVER EXITS THE VEHICLE.

WHEREAS, heatstroke is the leading cause of non-crash vehicle fatalities for children under the age of fourteen; and

WHEREAS, on average, thirty-eight children die in hot motor vehicles each year from heat-related causes after being trapped inside those motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, more than one-half of the fatalities occur in children under the age of two; and

WHEREAS, a child's temperature-regulating system is not as developed as an adult's and can warm at a rate of three to five times faster than an adult's; and

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