

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 28

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 REQUESTING THAT THE NEW MEXICO MEDICAL BOARD AND THE BOARD OF  
12 OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO MAKE  
13 RECOMMENDATIONS ON IMPROVING THE NEW MEXICO MEDICAL BOARD'S AND  
14 THE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE'S REPORTING TO THE PUBLIC.

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16 WHEREAS, according to a March 2016 *Consumer Reports* study,  
17 the New Mexico medical board and the board of osteopathic  
18 medicine are rated among the worst in the nation for failing to  
19 keep patients informed about provider history; and

20 WHEREAS, information about a provider is crucial to the  
21 patient's selection of a provider;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
23 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico medical board and the  
24 board of osteopathic medicine be requested to convene a task  
25 force that includes a medical provider licensed by the New

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1 Mexico medical board and the board of osteopathic medicine,  
2 respectively; two legislators; and two consumer advocates  
3 appointed by the legislative members of the task force; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force be requested to  
5 report its findings and recommendations for improving the  
6 reporting on the New Mexico medical board and board of  
7 osteopathic medicine websites to the legislative health and  
8 human services committee and the legislative finance committee  
9 by October 1, 2017; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
11 transmitted to the governor, the director of the legislative  
12 finance committee, the chair and vice chair of the legislative  
13 health and human services committee, the chairs of the New  
14 Mexico medical board and the board of osteopathic medicine.