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HOUSE BILL 765

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

INTRODUCED BY

ANNA MARIE CROOK

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE.

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

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**State of New Mexico
House of Representatives**

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 10, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your GOVERNMENT AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to
whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 765

has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO NOT PASS, but that

HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 765

DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda M. Lovejoy, Chairwoman

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE
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The roll call vote was 11 For 0 Against

Yes: 11

Excused: None

Absent: None

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HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 765

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
1996

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
CLARIFYING THE DUTIES OF CHILD SUPPORT HEARING OFFICERS;
AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978.

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

Section 1. Section 40-4B-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1988,
Chapter 127, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

"40-4B-4. CHILD SUPPORT HEARING OFFICERS--APPOINTMENT--
TERMS--QUALIFICATIONS--COMPENSATION.--

A. Child support hearing officers shall be appointed
by and serve at the pleasure of the judges of the judicial
districts determined pursuant to Subsection D of this section.
Each hearing officer shall be selected by a majority of the
district court judges in the judicial district to which he is
assigned. The child support hearing officers shall be paid
pursuant to a cooperative agreement between the human services

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department and the judicial districts.

1 B. Child support hearing officers shall be lawyers
2 who are licensed to practice law in this state and who have a
3 minimum of five years experience in the practice of law, with at
4 least twenty percent of that practice having been in family law
5 or domestic relations matters. Child support hearing officers
6 shall devote full time to their duties, [~~under the Child Support~~
7 ~~Hearing Officer Act~~] which may be combined with duties as
8 special commissioner or special master as defined or provided
9 for in the Children's Code, and shall not engage in the private
10 practice of law or in any employment, occupation or business
11 interfering with or inconsistent with the discharge of their
12 duties as [a] full-time [~~child support hearing officer~~] judicial
13 employees.

14 C. A child support hearing officer is required to
15 conform to [~~Canons~~] Rules 21-100 through 21-500 and 21-700 of
16 the Code of Judicial Conduct as adopted by the supreme court.
17 Violation of any such [~~canon~~] rule shall be grounds for
18 dismissal of any child support hearing officer. Child support
19 hearing officers shall be employees of the judicial branch of
20 government and shall not be subject to the Personnel Act. Their
21 compensation shall be set by the judges who appoint them, but
22 such compensation shall not exceed eighty percent of the current
23 salary for district court judges.

24 D. Child support hearing officers shall serve in
25 such judicial districts as the secretary deems appropriate
considering the case loads and case needs of the state's Title
IV D program "

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