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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 23

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

INTRODUCED BY
THOMAS G. DOLLIVER

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE HUMAN SERVICES
DEPARTMENT TO STUDY THE POTENTIAL FOR ALTERNATIVES TO NURSING
HOME INSTITUTIONALIZATION FOR CUTTING THE COSTS OF LONG-TERM
CARE.

WHEREAS, the population of people over sixty-five will
almost double within the first decade of the next century; and

WHEREAS, long-term care for the aged is a significant part
of the high cost of medical care in the country; and

WHEREAS, these costs are significant components of
government expenditures such as medicaid and medicare; and

WHEREAS, health care costs represent a tremendous burden to
American families, and alternatives to traditional forms of
care, such as assisted living, exist and may provide better

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1 care;

2 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
3 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department of health and the human
4 services department be requested to study alternatives to
5 institutionalization in nursing homes for long-term care for the
6 elderly and that, among these alternatives, assisted living be
7 considered; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
9 transmitted to the secretaries of health and human services.

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

January 25, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE, to
whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be
GERMANE in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Perea Casey,

Chairperson

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Not Adopted _____

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4 The roll call vote was 9 For 1 Against

5 Yes: 9

6 No: Nicely

7 Excused: Luna, Pederson, Rodella, R. G. Sanchez, J. G. Taylor

8 Absent: None

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 6, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, to
whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Gallegos, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

Excused: Williams

Absent: None

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