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44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

INTRODUCED BY
Mary Helen Garcia

A MEMORIAL
REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO
DESIGNATE UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 54 AND INTERSTATE 25 AS HIGH
PRIORITY CORRIDORS.

WHEREAS, the North American Free Trade Agreement has
resulted in an explosion of commerce between Canada, Mexico
and the United States; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico stands to benefit significantly if
adequate infrastructure is in place to support additional
commerce; and

WHEREAS, transportation facilities, especially adequate
highways, are critical to the state's ability to exploit new
trade opportunities; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico is a direct trade link between north
central Mexico manufacturing centers and the western American

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1 and Canadian markets such as Denver and Calgary; and

2 WHEREAS, the National Highway System Designation Act of
3 1995 provides for the designation of high priority corridors
4 that mean additional federal dollars to support highway
5 improvements; and

6 WHEREAS, United States highway 54 and interstate 25 have
7 been designated high priority corridors in Texas but have not
8 yet received that designation in the state of New Mexico;

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
10 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the United
11 States department of transportation be requested to designate
12 United States highway 54 and interstate 25 in New Mexico and
13 all the way to the Canadian border as high priority corridors;
14 and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
16 transmitted to the secretary of the United States department
17 of transportation and to the New Mexico congressional
18 delegation.

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8 Mr. Speaker:

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10 Your TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been
11 referred

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15 has had it under consideration and reports same with
16 recommendation that it DO PASS.

17 Respectfully submitted,

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22 Daniel P. Silva, Chairman
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The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

Yes: 9

Excused: Larranaga, Mohorovic, Rodella, Silva

Absent: None

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