JOBS COUNCIL
SUMMARY OF 2015 ENDORSED LEGISLATION AND APPROVED INITIATIVES

Initiatives that became law, wholly or in part, are in bold.

ENDORSED LEGISLATION

	INITIATIVE	BILL & SPONSOR	COMMENTS OR ACTION
1	Rural Infrastructure Tax Credit	HB 108; Strickler	HPREF [1] not prntd-HRC [5] w/drn-prntd-ref- HBEC/HWMC-HBEC [9] DP-HWMC API.
2	Special appropriation: $500,000 to evaluate certain workers' compensation system components	Not introduced	N/A
3	Special appropriation: $500,000 for the scenic byways program	HB 15; Lundstrom	HPREF [1] HGEIC/HAFC-HGEIC [2] DP-HAFC API.

APPROVED INITIATIVES PURSUED THROUGH LEGISLATION

	INITIATIVE	BILL & SPONSOR	COMMENTS OR ACTION
1	**Job Training Incentive Program – appropriate $10 million**	**HAFC/ HB 2 & 4**	**$2 million recurring appropriation; $4 million special appropriation**
2	**N.M. Partnership – appropriate $2 million**	HB 217; Fajardo	[2] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [7] DP-HAFC API.
		HAFC/ HB 2 & 4	**$1.18 million recurring appropriation**
3	**Create a rapid-workforce-development program and appropriate $1.25 million to the program**	**SB 92; Barela**	**Amended to remove appropriation; Signed by governor.**
		HAFC/ HB 2 & 4	**$1.25 million special appropriation**
4	**Appropriate $950,000 for a broadband infrastructure study and broadband infrastructure expansion**	HB 170; Larrañaga, Padilla	HPREF [1] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [7] DP-HAFC API.
		HAFC/ HB 2 & 4	**$400,000 special appropriation to Department of Information Technology**
5	**Create a solo worker job creation pilot program – appropriate $500,000 for the pgm.**	**HB 177; Tripp, Papen**	**Amended to remove appropriation; Signed by governor.**
6	Local Economic Development Act program – maintain at least $50 million	SB 187; Campos	[3] SCC/SCORC/SFC-SCC [4] germane-SCORC API. Attempted reversion of $14 million in HB 311 vetoed by the governor.
7	Economic Development Grant Program (staff augmentation) – appropriate $4.5 million for spending over three fiscal years	HB 218; Powdrell-Culbert	Would have appropriated $2.25, not $4.5, million; [2] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [7] DP-HAFC API.
8	Cooperative marketing program – appropriate $2 million	HB 227; Lewis	[2] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [9] DP-HAFC API.
		SB 221; Padilla	[5] SCC/SCORC/SFC-SCC-germane-SCORC API.
9	Appropriate $300,000 for a tourism vocational gap training program	HB 269; Tripp	[4] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [12] DP-HAFC API.
10	Create a middle school physics pilot program and appropriate $250,000 for the program	SB 111; Papen	SPREF [1] SCC/SEC/SFC-SCC [10] germane-SEC [14] DP/a-SFC [17] DP [18] PASSED/S (38-0) [16] HEC/HAFC-HEC API.
11	Continue Jobs Council activities – appropriate $200,000 to continue local-level data collection	HB 213; Maestas Barnes	[2] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [7] DP-HAFC API.
		SB 344; Burt	[8] SCC/SPAC/SFC-SCC [10] germane-SPAC [14] DP-SFC API.
12	Appropriate $150,000 for a metrics and accountability initiative	SB 131; Papen	[2] SCC/SCORC/SFC-SCC [3] germane-SCORC API.
13	Appropriate $125,000 for a workforce gap analysis	HB 216; Fajardo	[2] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [7] DP-HAFC API.
14	Appropriate $35,000 for a WorkKeys program	HB 214; Maestas Barnes	[2] HBEC/HAFC-HBEC [7] DP-HAFC API.

APPROVED INITIATIVES *NOT* PURSUED THROUGH LEGISLATION

	INITIATIVE	
1	Expand Tourism Department's marketing efforts – appropriate $4.7 million	
2	Create a technology maturation program and appropriate $2.5 million for the program	
3	Appropriate $408,600 to NMSU for its science, technology, engineering, and math entrepreneurship program	
4	Appropriate $250,000 for a forest restoration program	
5	Enact legislation encouraging public-private partnerships	

HAFC/HB 2&4 = General Appropriation Act of 2016
API = Action postponed indefinitely