SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - 2ND SPECIAL SESSION, 2000

INTRODUCED BY

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

APPROVING THE CLASS III GAMING COMPACTS NEGOTIATED BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO AND THE PUEBLOS OF ISLETA, LAGUNA, SANDIA, SAN FELIPE, SAN JUAN, SANTA ANA, SANTA CLARA AND TESUQUE PURSUANT TO THE COMPACT NEGOTIATION ACT.

WHEREAS, the Compact Negotiation Act authorizes the governor to negotiate the terms of a compact between the state and Indian nations, tribes and pueblos located in New Mexico, referred to as "tribes" herein, for the conduct of class III gaming under the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Negotiation Act provides for legislative involvement in the negotiation process and review of the proposed compact through the legislative committee on compacts and legislative approval of a proposed compact by a majority vote of each house before the proposed compact may

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be executed by the governor; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gary E. Johnson on November 18, 1999 submitted to the legislative committee on compacts a proposed compact negotiated on behalf of the state with various tribes for the conduct of class III gaming; and

WHEREAS, the legislative committee on compacts reviewed the proposed compact and three times requested the governor to resume negotiations with the tribes on various points, as provided for in the Compact Negotiation Act; and

WHEREAS, the tribes and the governor resumed negotiations and three times modified the proposed compact to reflect many of the proposals suggested by the legislative committee on compacts; and

WHEREAS, as a result of those renegotiations between the governor and various tribes, a proposed modified compact agreed to by Governor Gary E. Johnson and the Pueblos of Isleta, Laguna, Sandia, San Felipe, San Juan, Santa Ana, Santa Clara and Tesuque was submitted by the governor to the legislative committee on compacts on March 27, 2000 for the committee's review; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Negotiation Act allows the legislature to approve more than one compact in a single resolution if the terms of the compacts are identical, except for the names of the tribes and the persons executing the compacts; and

WHEREAS, the Compact Negotiation Act allows the governor to execute additional compacts identical to one approved

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under that act without submitting the compacts for legislative approval; and

WHEREAS, the legislative committee on compacts has reviewed and considered the proposed compact negotiated and agreed to by the governor and the Pueblos of Isleta, Laguna, Sandia, San Felipe, San Juan, Santa Ana, Santa Clara and Tesuque and dated March 27, 2000 and, based upon that review and pursuant to the Compact Negotiation Act, hereby submits that proposed compact to the legislature for approval with its recommendation for a do pass vote by members of the legislature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the proposed compact, attached hereto, submitted to the committee on compacts on March 27, 2000, negotiated and agreed to by the state and the Pueblos of Isleta, Laguna, Sandia, San Felipe, San Juan, Santa Ana, Santa Clara and Tesuque, be hereby approved.

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