

April 5, 2001

SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 59

The Honorable Richard Romero and
Members of the Senate
Executive-Legislative Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I have this day VETOED and am returning SENATE BILL 109, as amended, with certificate of correction, enacted by the Forty-Fifth Legislature, First Session, 2001.

This bill provides technical cleanup and changes to the Education Retirement Act. Although I look favorably upon most of these changes, I do not agree with the provision of the bill that allows persons to purchase service credit for time spent in the military. This section of the bill does not provide a limit on the number of years purchased, which could render the Education Retirement Board's actuarial tables unsound and conflict with federal tax laws.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Johnson
Governor

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