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45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

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**REQUESTING THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO APPOINT AN
INTERIM COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE TO MAKE A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY
OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES.**

**WHEREAS, local governments in the state are facing a
variety of critical issues relating to financing and delivery
of services, intergovernmental relations and other concerns;
and**

**WHEREAS, the legislature is responsible for developing
policy and law regarding all local government issues; and**

**WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of local governments
and state government to work together closely to develop
solutions to issues that are mutually beneficial; and**

**WHEREAS, it has been several years since the legislature
has had an interim committee or task force to examine local**

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1 government issues comprehensively;

2 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
3 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico legislative council
4 create an interim local government study committee or task
5 force to comprehensively review local government issues in
6 cooperation with the associations representing local
7 governments, the affected executive agencies and other
8 appropriate entities; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the scope of the review of
10 the interim local government study committee or task force
11 include property taxation, including valuation, assessment and
12 equity; capital projects planning and funding;
13 intergovernmental relations; state and federal mandates and
14 jurisdictional issues; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the local government study
16 committee or task force report its findings and
17 recommendations, including proposed legislation, to the New
18 Mexico legislative council and the legislative finance
19 committee and other appropriate legislative committees no
20 later than October 1, 2001; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
22 distributed to the New Mexico legislative council, the
23 legislative council service, the legislative finance
24 committee, the New Mexico municipal league and the association
25 of counties.

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