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FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO FORM A PLAN TO OBTAIN AND USE FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM ADDRESS AND DIGITAL MAPPING DATA AVAILABLE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN ENHANCED 911 SERVICE AREAS AND TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN COPY OF THE PLAN TO THE APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, geographic information system address and digital mapping data provide valuable information for accurate street and address data capture, editing and development; and

WHEREAS, the ability of geographic information system address and digital mapping technology to indicate roads, rights of way and improvements aids in addressing locations with otherwise vague address ranges; and

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1 mapping technology aids in locating addresses in rural areas  
2 that have vague address identification systems; and

3 WHEREAS, pursuant to the Enhanced 911 Act, local  
4 governments in enhanced 911 service areas are required to  
5 provide geographic information system address and digital  
6 mapping data to public safety answering points; and

7 WHEREAS, the providers of 911 services within the  
8 boundaries of those local governments are critical consumers of  
9 geographic information system address and digital mapping data  
10 because they must find emergency locations in short amounts of  
11 time; and

12 WHEREAS, access to that data expedites the transportation  
13 of emergency service personnel to emergency sites; and

14 WHEREAS, access to that data might ultimately account for  
15 minimization of death and injury; and

16 WHEREAS, the department of public safety, which often  
17 responds to emergency service calls from outside the boundaries  
18 of local governments in enhanced 911 service areas, does not  
19 have access to the geographic information system address and  
20 digital mapping data available to those local governments; and

21 WHEREAS, the lack of access to that data might result in  
22 greater amounts of time spent in locating emergencies and less  
23 amounts of time spent in responding to those emergencies;

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
25 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department of public safety be

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1 requested to form a plan to obtain and use for emergency  
2 services geographic information system address and digital  
3 mapping data available to local governments in the state in  
4 enhanced 911 service areas; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department of public  
6 safety be requested to provide a written copy of that plan to  
7 the appropriate legislative interim committee by December 1,  
8 2006; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that written copies of that plan be  
10 filed in duplicate with the legislative council service  
11 library; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
13 transmitted to the secretary of public safety.

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