

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 72

2 47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND FISH SHORTEN THE  
12 QUAIL HUNTING SEASON TO EIGHT WEEKS.

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14 WHEREAS, the current quail hunting season is too long and,  
15 consequently, threatens an ample bird population, especially  
16 when combined with the drought conditions plaguing New Mexico;  
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18 WHEREAS, the desert grasslands that is the quail's natural  
19 habitat is more fragile than it appears, and a long quail  
20 season can be punishing to that environment; and

21 WHEREAS, the long season also exacerbates the problems  
22 that occur when hunters pursue their sport on private property;

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
24 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department of game and fish be  
25 requested to shorten the quail hunting season to eight weeks;

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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
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