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AN ACT
RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; ALLOWING BRANCH COMMUNITY
COLLEGES TO ELECT BOARD MEMBERS FROM DISTRICTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 21, Article 14 NMSA
1978 is enacted to read:

"BRANCH COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD--OPTIONAL FORM.--

A. The branch community college board of a branch
community college may, by adoption of a resolution, establish
a board composed of five members elected from single-member
districts within the branch community college district for
staggered terms. The single-member districts shall be
compact and contiguous and composed of populations as equal
as practicable. Members shall be required to reside in the
districts from which elected. If a member no longer resides
in the election district from which that member was elected,
the member shall be deemed to have resigned and the vacancy
created by the resignation shall be filled in the manner
provided by law for the filling of vacancies on the board of
a branch community college.

B. The board members shall draw lots to determine
which board position will coincide with which election
district during the meeting at which the board is resolved to
change to a districted board.

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C. The board shall redistrict once after each federal decennial census. The board may adopt a resolution to have the board's election districts coincide with the county commission districts if the county commission has five districts and the boundaries of the county and branch community college district are identical."