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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; REQUIRING COUNTY CLERKS TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATE EARLY VOTING LOCATION ON INDIAN NATION, TRIBAL OR PUEBLO LANDS WHEN REQUESTED BY THE INDIAN NATION, TRIBE OR PUEBLO.

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

Section 1. Section 1-6-5.6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003, Chapter 357, Section 6, as amended) is amended to read:

"1-6-5.6. EARLY VOTING--ALTERNATE VOTING LOCATIONS--PROCEDURES.--The secretary of state shall adopt rules to:

A. ensure that voters have adequate access to alternate locations for early voting in each county, taking into consideration population density and travel time to the location of voting;

B. ensure that early voters are not allowed to vote in person on election day;

C. ensure that adequate interpreters are available at alternate early voting locations in those precincts having a majority of qualified electors who are part of a recognized language minority;

D. allow for mobile alternate voting locations in rural areas of the state; and

E. require county clerks to provide at least one alternate early voting location on Indian nation, tribal or

1 pueblo land when requested by the Indian nation, tribe or  
2 pueblo if that Indian nation, tribe or pueblo is more than  
3 fifteen miles from an office of the county clerk."                     

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