AN ACT

RELATING TO JUVENILE JUSTICE; PROVIDING THAT THE JUVENILE PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF THREE TO SEVEN MEMBERS; PROVIDING THAT AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT BE DESIGNATED TO SERVE AS CHAIR OR VICE CHAIR OF THE JUVENILE PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32A-7A-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2009, Chapter 239, Section 59) is amended to read:

"32A-7A-2. JUVENILE PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD--TERMS--DIRECTOR.--

A. The "juvenile public safety advisory board" is created, consisting of no fewer than three and no more than seven members appointed by the governor. The board is administratively attached to the department. The terms of members of the board shall be six years.

B. A director shall be appointed by the governor as the administrative officer of the juvenile public safety advisory board. The director shall employ other staff as necessary to carry out the duties of the board. Employees shall be employed in classified positions and shall be subject to the provisions of the Personnel Act."

SECTION 2. Section 32A-7A-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2009, Chapter 239, Section 62) is amended to read: HB 37

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"32A-7A-5. BOARD--CHAIR.--

A. The governor shall designate one member of the juvenile public safety advisory board to serve as chair.

B. The chair may designate two members of the board to serve as regional vice chairs.

C. An employee of the department shall not be designated to serve as chair or vice chair of the board."