

HOUSE BILL 311

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2014

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AN ACT

RELATING TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; CREATING THE INTERIM
LEGISLATIVE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WORK GROUP; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. TEMPORARY PROVISION--FINDINGS.--The

legislature finds that nonprofit organizations make significant
contributions to the state's economy and job creation. The
legislature also finds that the state and local governments
rely on nonprofit organizations to deliver important services
in the areas of health, human services, arts and culture and
the environment to the state's underserved populations and
remote communities as well as to the state's urban areas. The
legislature further finds that significant investments of
public resources are made to nonprofit organizations that

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1 operate in areas that are not or cannot be served directly by
2 state or local governments. Therefore, the legislature finds
3 that a work group should be convened to study how the state and
4 local governments can work most effectively and efficiently
5 with nonprofit organizations.

6 SECTION 2. TEMPORARY PROVISION--NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
7 WORK GROUP.--

8 A. The "nonprofit organizations work group" is
9 created as an interim legislative work group. The work group
10 shall function from the date of its appointment until December
11 1 prior to the first session of the fifty-second legislature.

12 B. The work group shall be composed of fifteen
13 voting members as follows:

14 (1) four members from the house of
15 representatives and four members from the senate, appointed by
16 the New Mexico legislative council;

17 (2) three members whose professional expertise
18 is relevant to the work of the work group, appointed by the New
19 Mexico legislative council;

20 (3) the director of the purchasing division of
21 the general services department;

22 (4) the director of the management and
23 contracts review division of the department of finance and
24 administration;

25 (5) a representative of the attorney general's

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1 office, appointed by the attorney general; and

2 (6) one member appointed by the governor.

3 C. At the time of making its appointments, the New
4 Mexico legislative council shall designate the chair and vice
5 chair of the work group.

6 D. A vacancy on the work group shall be filled by
7 appointment in the same manner as the original appointment.

8 E. After its appointment, the work group shall hold
9 one organizational meeting to develop a work plan and budget
10 for the 2014 interim. The work plan and budget shall be
11 submitted to the New Mexico legislative council for approval.

12 F. Upon approval of its work plan and budget, the
13 work group shall study ways in which contracts, contracting
14 processes, capacity to meet state programmatic needs and
15 methods to build capacity and relationships between the state
16 and nonprofit organizations can be improved to maximize the
17 benefits to both parties and shall make a report on the results
18 of the study. The report, including the work group's findings
19 and recommendations, including recommendations for building
20 capacity, shall be submitted to the legislative health and
21 human services committee, the economic and rural development
22 committee and any other appropriate interim legislative
23 committees by November 1, 2014.

24 G. The staff for the work group shall be provided
25 by the legislative council service.

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