April 7, 2017

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 57

The Honorable Brian Egolf, Jr., Speaker of the House and Members of the House of Representatives State Capitol Building Santa Fe, NM 87501

Honorable Speaker Egolf and Members of the House:

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of New Mexico, Article IV, Section 22, I hereby VETO and return House Judiciary Committee Substitute for HOUSE BILL 364, as amended, enacted by the Fifty-Third Legislature, First Session, 2017.

House Bill 364 requires that prescriptions for contact lenses or glasses be issued or renewed only in person. Currently, many phone and internet apps are emerging that would make it easier to issue prescriptions for contact lenses and glasses. This bill would prohibit the use of these apps.

Maintaining ocular health is important, and that is why we should explore new technologies and opportunities to expand the availability of services, not prohibit them.

For these reasons, I veto House Bill 364.

Respectfully yours,

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