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HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 19

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 BILL 484, as amended, enacted by the Fifty-Third Legislature, First Session, 2017.

House Bill 484 constitutes an unfunded mandate for a number of school districts. While I support the bill's attempt to assist districts in tailoring our state's Indian Education Act to serve their individual needs, it would be irresponsible to require that they do so at such a high cost to themselves. Schools that are truly committed to serving their students and community already take steps to support their students as they strive to reach their potential. They do not need permission from a bill that would mandate duplicative programming and drive up their costs.

For these reasons, I hereby veto HB 484.

Respectfully yours,

Susana Martinez
Governor

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