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SENATE BILL 126

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS; EXTENDING THE LIFE OF THE JOINT INTERIM GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; PROVIDING ADDITIONAL DUTIES FOR THE JOINT INTERIM GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

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

Section 1. Section 2-15-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993, Chapter 46, Section 46) is amended to read:

"2-15-1. GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE CREATED-- TERMINATION. --The joint interim "governmental ethics oversight committee" is created. The committee shall function from the date of its appointment until the first day of December prior to the first session of the [~~forty-third~~] forty-fifth legislature. "

Section 2. Section 2-15-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,

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1 Chapter 46, Section 48) is amended to read:

2 "2-15-3. POWERS AND DUTIES. --

3 A. After its appointment, the governmental ethics  
4 oversight committee shall hold one organizational meeting to  
5 develop a workplan and budget for the ensuing interim. The  
6 workplan and budget shall be submitted to the New Mexico  
7 legislative council for approval. Upon approval of the  
8 workplan and budget by the New Mexico legislative council, the  
9 committee shall:

10 (1) examine the statutes, constitutional  
11 provisions and regulations governing governmental ethics in New  
12 Mexico;

13 (2) monitor and oversee the implementation of  
14 the legislative directives pertaining to financial disclosure,  
15 campaign reporting, lobbyist regulation and governmental conduct  
16 and financial disclosure laws;

17 (3) review issues related to statewide and  
18 legislative campaign expenditure and contribution limitations,  
19 public financing of political campaigns and other types of  
20 campaign finance reform, limitations on campaign periods,  
21 increased access for participants in the political process,  
22 ethical issues related to gaming, nepotism, legislative expense  
23 reimbursement and extension of campaign reporting requirements  
24 to various political subdivisions of the state; and

25 (4) make recommendations relating to the

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1 adoption of rules and legislation, if any are found to be  
2 necessary.

3 B. The committee shall regularly receive testimony  
4 from the secretary of state and the attorney general relating to  
5 the implementation of the legislative directives and shall  
6 review any proposed rules, regulations or reporting forms prior  
7 to adoption. "

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