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SENATE BILL 519

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

INTRODUCED BY

ELIZABETH T. STEFANICS

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; PROVIDING A MORATORIUM ON  
REDUCTIONS IN PAYMENTS AND SERVICES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. MORATORIUM ON REDUCTIONS IN PAYMENTS OR  
SERVICES IN CERTAIN PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. -- In any program  
of assistance or services administered by the human services  
department in which the budgeted expenditures for the program  
include amounts from general fund appropriations, the department  
shall not, during the period from the effective date of this  
section until October 1, 1997, reduce the level of assistance or  
services from the level existing on January 1, 1996, by:

A. changing eligibility requirements to raise the  
threshold of eligibility for an individual or family to receive  
assistance or services; or

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B. decreasing the amount of assistance or services that an individual or family may receive by changing standards of need, method of payment or reimbursement or similar changes.

Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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6 JANUARY 30, 1996  
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8 Mr. President:  
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10 Your COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred  
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15 has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, PURSUANT  
16 TO CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS, and thence referred to the FINANCE  
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19 Respectfully submitted,  
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SENATOR MANNY M. ARAGON, Chairman

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8 Mr. President:

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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that  
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23 Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman  
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The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

Yes: 9

No: 0

Excused: Fidel, Donisthorpe, Macias, Nava

Absent: None

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**FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE**  
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February 12, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has  
been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Max Coll, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 10 For 0 Against

Yes: 10

Excused: Abeyta, Buffett, Coll, Knowles, Light, Picraux, Reyes,  
Varela

Absent: None

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