

1 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 37

2 42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 EXPRESSING THE OPPOSITION OF THE LEGISLATURE TO THE GOVERNOR'S  
12 PLAN TO INCREASE TUITION AT NEW MEXICO'S INSTITUTIONS OF POST-  
13 SECONDARY EDUCATION.

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15 WHEREAS, Governor Gary Johnson proposes to raise college  
16 tuition by eight percent; and

17 WHEREAS, this increase would be far more than the rate of  
18 inflation for the past several years; and

19 WHEREAS, too few New Mexicans can afford tuition as it is,  
20 and more, not fewer, New Mexicans need to obtain higher  
21 education in order for the state to enter the twenty-first  
22 century economically; and

23 WHEREAS, New Mexico is ranked forty-seventh among the fifty  
24 states in per capita income and our citizens depend on better  
25 more available education to improve their lives and the standing

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1 of New Mexico among the other states in academic and economic  
2 achievement; and

3 WHEREAS, cost cuts at educational institutions should not  
4 come at the expense of the people these institutions exist to  
5 serve; and

6 WHEREAS, recent advances in high technology offer the  
7 opportunity for colleges to reduce costs by teaching courses  
8 more efficiently through distance learning and other methods;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, post-secondary institutions have other means of  
11 cutting costs such as consolidating boards of governors and  
12 departments, reducing administrative overhead and requiring more  
13 productivity from faculty;

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
15 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislature oppose the governor's  
16 suggestion that boards of governors increase tuition; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that boards of governors be  
18 requested to disregard the governor's suggestion and hold the  
19 line on tuition if reduction of tuition is not possible; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
21 transmitted to the governor and to board of regents, governing  
22 board and community college board members of New Mexico post-  
23 secondary institutions.

# State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 1, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE, to  
whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be  
GERMANE in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Barbara A. Perea Casey,

Chairperson

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

Not Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

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4 The roll call vote was 10 For 0 Against

5 Yes: 10

6 Excused: Lujan, Olguin, Rodella, R. G. Sanchez, S. M Williams

7 Absent: None

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# **State of New Mexico House of Representatives**

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 12, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your EDUCATION 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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Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman

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(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The roll call vote was 9 For 1 Against

Yes: 9

No: WC Williams

Excused: Dolliver, Weeks

Absent: None

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