

1 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 46

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

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 OPPOSING THE CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT PLAN TO TRANSFER NEW MEXICO
12 PRISONERS TO TEXAS.

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14 WHEREAS, certain counties have entered memoranda of
15 understanding and joint powers agreements with the corrections
16 department to incarcerate state prisoners; and

17 WHEREAS, the corrections department has now decided to
18 ignore those agreements and send the prisoners to Texas for
19 incarceration; and

20 WHEREAS, this decision will force layoffs of New Mexico
21 citizen taxpayers, deny employment opportunities to New Mexicans
22 and pay New Mexico taxpayers' money to Texas instead; and

23 WHEREAS, the economic benefit has not been demonstrated,
24 and the economic consequences to New Mexicans may be in the
25 millions of dollars; and

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1 WHEREAS, Texas prison standards have caused liability
2 problems for other states that have sent prisoners to Texas,
3 such as Colorado; and

4 WHEREAS, this decision will impose a hardship on New
5 Mexican families who will have to travel long distances to visit
6 incarcerated relatives, further stressing families already
7 stressed by their situations;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
9 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislature oppose the corrections
10 department plan to transfer prisoners to Texas; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
12 transmitted to the secretary of corrections and to the governor.

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**State of New Mexico
House of Representatives**

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 2, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

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

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 46

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

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Perea Casey,

Chairperson

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Not Adopted _____

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4 The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

5 Yes: 8

6 Excused: Nicely, Olguin. Pederson, Picraux, Rodella,

7 J. G. Taylor, Wallach

8 Absent: None

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

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February 2, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

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

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 45

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GERMANE in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Perea Casey,

Chairperson

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 11, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your CONSUMER AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 46

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 12, strike "TO TEXAS" and insert in lieu thereof "TO OUT-OF-STATE LOCATIONS AND REQUESTING RETURN OF THOSE PRISONERS RECENTLY SENT TO TEXAS".

2. On page 2, line 10, following "Texas" insert "or other out-of-state locations".

3. On page 2, between lines 10 and 11, insert:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that those prisoners recently transferred to Texas correctional facilities be returned to New

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Mexico as soon as practicable; and".

Respectfully submitted,

Gary K. King, Chairman

Adopted _____ Not Adopted _____

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 5 For 4 Against

Yes: 5

No: Dolliver, Hawkins, Marquardt, Vaughn

Excused: Baca, Charley

Absent: None

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