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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 33  
42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,  
1996

INTRODUCED BY  
CARLOS R. CISNEROS

FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL  
REQUESTING THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAKE  
RECOMMENDATIONS ON STATEWIDE EXPULSION AND RE-ADMISSION POLICIES  
TO ENCOURAGE YOUTHS TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, a small percentage of students is expelled after  
episodes justifying serious measures on the part of public  
schools; and

WHEREAS, many more students are dropped for non-attendance;  
and

WHEREAS, the interim legislative health and human services  
committee recognizes that the rise in juvenile crime and  
delinquency is a major problem facing New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the interim legislative health and human services  
committee continues to pursue and support prevention and early

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1 intervention measures; and

2 WHEREAS, each school district sets its own expulsion and  
3 re-admission policies; and

4 WHEREAS, such policies include provisions to respect other  
5 school districts' edicts prohibiting re-admission for up to  
6 three years; and

7 WHEREAS, such policies effectively close public schools to  
8 some students, putting them at high risk of gang and criminal  
9 activity; and

10 WHEREAS, school boards need to consider the effect their  
11 policies have on the behavior of students not permitted to  
12 attend classes; and

13 WHEREAS, keeping youths in an educational environment  
14 offers them important structure and role modeling necessary for  
15 becoming responsible adults;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state board of education review and  
18 make recommendations to the interim legislative health and human  
19 services committee at its October 1996 meeting on statewide  
20 attendance, expulsion and re-admission policies; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
22 transmitted to each member of the state board of education, the  
23 superintendent of public instruction and each local school  
24 board.

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7 Mr. President:  
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14 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the  
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17 Respectfully submitted,  
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The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

No: 0

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Absent: 0

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21 Carlos R. Cisneros, Chairman  
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Yes: 6

No: 0

Excused: Carraro, Duran, Lyons, Scott

Absent: None

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