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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 46

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

INTRODUCED BY

JANICE D. PASTER

FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT TO
COOPERATE IN THE PRESERVATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE QUALITY CHILD-
CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM

WHEREAS, children are our most precious resource, and far
too many of New Mexico's children live in poverty; and

WHEREAS, quality child-care services of every kind are
critically necessary if today's young children are to become
tomorrow's productive healthy citizens; and

WHEREAS, these same child-care services permit working
parents to better support their families; and

WHEREAS, reimbursement rates for child care directly affect
the quality of care available; and

WHEREAS, expected cuts in federal block and categorical
grants seriously threaten continuation of a quality child-care

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1 delivery system for the working poor; and

2 WHEREAS, maintenance of effort in preserving key quality
3 assurance components of a comprehensive quality child-care
4 delivery system should include before- and after-school care
5 programs and early childhood development programs; and

6 WHEREAS, a comprehensive quality child-care delivery system
7 should include a monitoring section to ensure compliance with
8 all appropriate licensing regulations and quality care
9 standards; and

10 WHEREAS, such a system should also include community-based
11 child-care resource and referral programs that provide training
12 and technical assistance to both home-based and center-based
13 providers; and

14 WHEREAS, a comprehensive quality child-care delivery system
15 should support the statewide early child-care education and
16 family support professional career lattice initiative and
17 provide resource and referral services to parents; and

18 WHEREAS, New Mexico is committed to preserving a
19 comprehensive quality child-care delivery system;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
21 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the children, youth and families
22 department create and lead a child-care task force to ensure
23 preservation of a comprehensive quality child-care delivery
24 system; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force include

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1 representatives from the human services department, the young
2 children's continuum, the child development board, service
3 providers, parents, early child-care and education professionals
4 and organizations and the business community; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force make
6 recommendations to ensure the maintenance and expansion of a
7 high quality comprehensive child-care delivery system to the
8 children, youth and families department, the human services
9 department and the interim legislative health and human services
10 committee; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommendations of the task
12 force address before- and after-school care and early childhood
13 development programs, monitoring of compliance with regulations
14 and quality care standards, community-based child-care and
15 resource and referral programs and statewide early child-care
16 education and family support; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the secretary of children,
18 youth and families make appointments to the task force and
19 notify the New Mexico legislative council of those appointees by
20 May 1, 1996; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force make progress
22 reports to the children, youth and families department and the
23 interim legislative health and human services committee by the
24 committee's first meeting in July 1996; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force make a report,

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1 including legislative recommendations, to the interim
2 legislative health and human services committee at its first
3 meeting in November 1996; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be sent
5 to the secretary of children, youth and families and to the New
6 Mexico legislative council.

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: 0

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Absent: 0

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The roll call vote was 4 For 1 Against

Yes: 4

No: Wiener

Excused: Robinson, E. Jennings, Naranjo

Absent: None

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

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Mr. Speaker:

Your CONSUMER AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to
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recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary K. King, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

Excused: Charley, Marquardt, Sandel, Vaughn, Vigil

Absent: None

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