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HOUSE BILL 969

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

GAIL C. BEAM

DISCUSSION DRAFT

AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILDREN; CREATING A ONE-YEAR TASK FORCE TO STUDY
METHODS TO DIVERT CHILDREN FROM A LIFE OF CRIME; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. TASK FORCE CREATED--MEMBERSHIP--DUTIES--
APPROPRIATION.--

A. There is created, under the direction of the
department of health, a one-year task force for the purpose of
studying and recommending to the legislature programs that serve
as an alternative to criminal pursuits by children.

B. The task force shall include representatives from
the state department of public education, the children, youth
and families department, the labor department, the human
services department, the department of public safety, a designee

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1 of the supreme court and various interested organizations and
2 individuals to be appointed by the secretary of health.

3 C. The task force shall examine programs that offer
4 opportunities to divert children from a life of crime,
5 including:

6 (1) home visits by child care professionals
7 starting before birth and continuing for the first two years of
8 a child's life;

9 (2) training for parents and family therapy for
10 families with very young school-age children who have exhibited
11 aggressive behavior or otherwise demonstrated unhealthy behavior
12 in school;

13 (3) creating incentives, including cash, to
14 induce disadvantaged students to complete their education; and

15 (4) monitoring and supervising youth who have
16 exhibited delinquent behavior.

17 D. The task force shall report its findings and
18 recommendations to the appropriate interim legislative committee
19 by November 1, 1997.

20 E. one hundred thirty-five thousand dollars
21 (\$135,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
22 department of health for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and
23 1998 to support the work of the task force created in Subsection
24 A of this section. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
25 remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the

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general fund.

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

State of New Mexico
House of Representatives

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8 **March 5, 1997**
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11 **Mr. Speaker:**
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13 **Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred**
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15 **HOUSE BILL 969**
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17 **has had it under consideration and reports same with**
18 **recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the**
19 **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.**
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21 **Respectfully submitted,**
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25 **Thomas P. Foy, Chairman**

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The roll call vote was 10 For 0 Against

Yes: 10

Excused: Alwin, Rios, Sanchez

Absent: None

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March 15, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to
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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

Max Coll, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 10 For 1 Against

Yes: 10

No: Bird

Excused: Buffett, Garcia, M. H., Marquardt, Picraux, Salazar,
Watchman

Absent: None

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4 March 21, 1997

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6 Mr. President:

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8 Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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

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- 14 1. On page 1, line 12, strike "; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION".
 - 15 2. On page 1, lines 15 and 16, strike "--APPROPRIATION".
 - 16 3. On page 2, strike line 25, and on page 3, strike all of
17 lines 1 through 6.
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22 Respectfully submitted,

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Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: None

Excused: Aragon, Eisenstadt, Ingle, Lyons, McKibben

Absent: None

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