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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

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

INTRODUCED BY

JOSE R. ABEYTA

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 6, SECTION 36 OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO REQUIRE THAT PERSONS APPLYING FOR
NOMINATION OR BEING NOMINATED FOR THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT JUDGE
BE RESIDENTS OF THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE OFFICE IS
SITUATED.

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

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 6, Section 36
of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

"There is created the "district court judges nominating
committee" for each judicial district. Each and every provision
of Section 35 of Article 6 of this constitution shall apply to
the "district court judges nominating committee" except that:
the chief judge of the district court of that judicial district
or the chief judge's designee from that district court shall sit

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1 on the committee; there shall be only one appointment from the
2 court of appeals; and the citizen members and state bar members
3 shall be persons who reside in that judicial district. An
4 applicant to the district judges nominating committee shall be
5 at the time of filing the application a resident of the judicial
6 district in which he seeks appointment."

7 Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall
8 be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at
9 the next general election or at any special election prior to
10 that date which may be called for that purpose.

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 1997

February 13, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your VOTERS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE, to whom has
been referred

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

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

1. On page 2, line 4, strike "to the district judges
nominating committee" and insert in lieu thereof "who seeks a
nomination to be appointed a district court judge".,

and thence referred to the JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

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Respectfully submitted,

Edward C. Sandoval, Chairman

Adopted _____ Not Adopted _____

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

Yes: 9

Excused: Lujan, Nicely, Sanchez

Absent: None

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

**FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 1997**

March 5, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2, as amended

**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.**

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas P. Foy, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 7 For 3 Against

Yes: 7

No: Foy, King, Stewart

Excused: Alwin, Rios, Sanchez

Absent: None

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FIRST SESSION, 1997

March 18, 1997

Mr. President:

Your RULES COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Howes, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Aragon, Rodarte, Stockard

Absent: None

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