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43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

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REQUESTING THE APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE  
NEED TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

WHEREAS, animals provide important companionship for and  
add richness to the lives of many New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, many New Mexicans rely on animals to provide a  
livelihood for them; and

WHEREAS, research and experience tell us that animals are  
capable of feeling physical and psychological pain and  
suffering; and

WHEREAS, sociologists tell us that the abuse of animals  
and the abuse of humans are connected and that those who abuse  
animals are more likely than others to abuse people; and

WHEREAS, most violent criminals have histories of abusing  
animals prior to committing crimes against humans; and



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6 February 18, 1998  
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8 Mr. Speaker:  
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10 Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred  
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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with  
15 recommendation that it DO PASS.  
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21 Thomas P. Foy, Chairman  
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10 The roll call vote was 6 For 1 Against

11 Yes: 6

12 No: Larranaga

13 Excused: Alwin, Carpenter, Mallory, Rios, Sanchez, Stewart

14 Absent: None

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