1	SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 7
2	43rd LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998
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10	A JOINT MEMORIAL
11	REQUESTING THE INTERIM LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE TO
12	UNDERTAKE A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM,
13	INCLUDING A REVIEW OF LAWS IN OTHER STATES, OPTIONS FOR
14	FINANCING OF ELECTIONS AND THE IMPACT OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW ON
15	CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM.
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17	WHEREAS, the public is increasingly aware that large
18	donations from wealthy individuals and corporate and other
19	vested interests can unduly influence the political system;
20	and
21	WHEREAS, the current system for financing public
22	elections in New Mexico favors wealthy candidates or those
23	with easy access to large donations; and
24	WHEREAS, money should not be equated with political
25	speech; and
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WHEREAS, it is imperative that we safeguard the rights of workers and other citizen groups to participate effectively in electoral politics; and

WHEREAS, comprehensive campaign finance reform measures could enable any citizen to have a reasonable opportunity to run effectively for public office; and

WHEREAS, real solutions to achieve these goals will include public campaign financing, campaign contribution limits, spending caps on campaigns, full disclosure and strict enforcement of campaign rules;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the interim legislative ethics committee review campaign finance laws and regulations of states other than New Mexico and consider testimony from interested citizens and organizations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the interim legislative ethics committee study in depth effective options for public financing of elections, contribution limits and spending caps in New Mexico; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the interim legislative ethics committee review the potential impact of both federal and state constitutional law on proposed campaign finance laws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the interim legislative ethics committee report its findings, including any

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1	recommendations for legislation to be considered, by the first
2	session of the forty-fourth legislature, to the New Mexico
3	legislative council no later than November 1, 1998; and
4	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
5	sent to the New Mexico legislative council, the governor, the
6	secretary of state and the attorney general.
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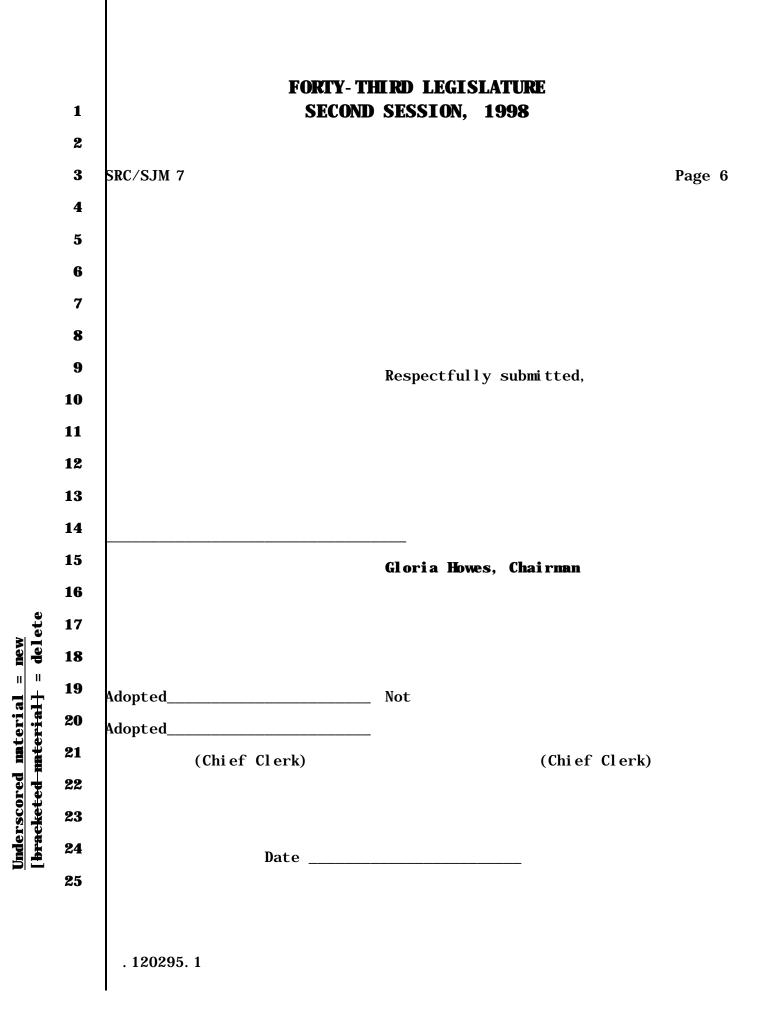
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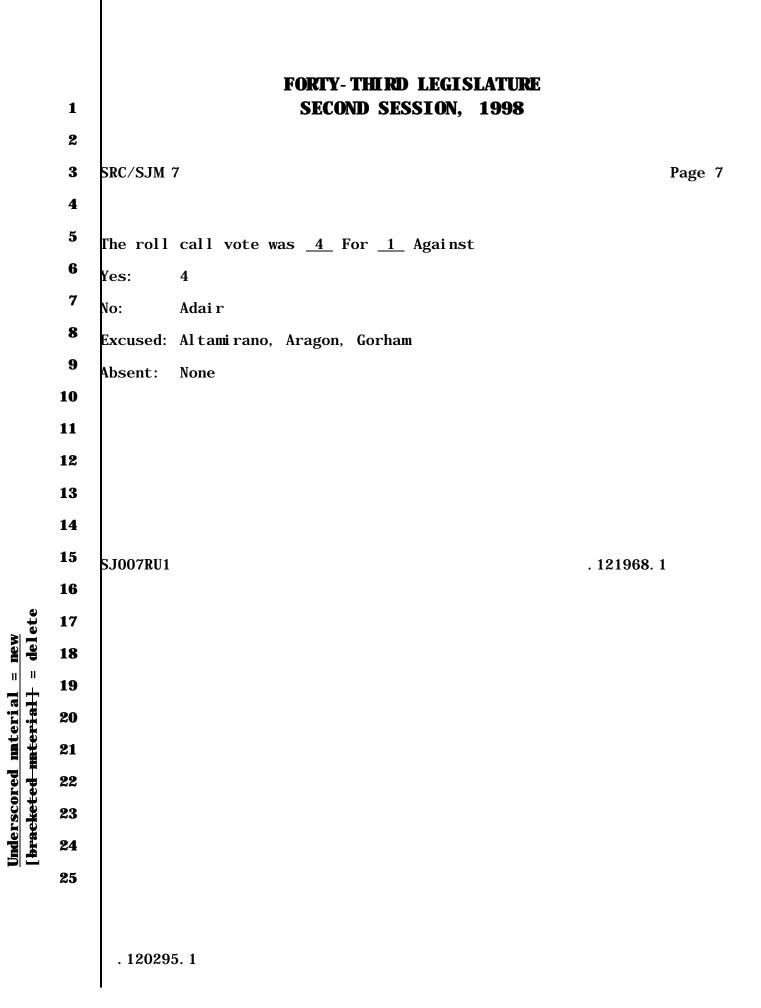
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8	Mr. President:
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10	Your RULES COMMITTEE , to whom has been referred
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15	has had it under consideration and reports same with
16	recommendation that it DO PASS , amended as follows:
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18	1. On page 1, line 11, strike "INTERIM LEGISLATIVE ETHICS
19	COMMITTEE" and insert in lieu thereof "LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO
20	DIRECT THE APPROPRIATE INTERIM LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.
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22	2. On page 2, line 2, Line 7, strike "will" and insert in
23	lieu thereof "may".
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25	3. On page 2, line 12, after "the" strike the remainder of
~~	the line, and on line 13, strike "committee" and insert in lieu
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16	recommendation that it DO PASS , and thence referred to the
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23	Edward C. Sandoval, Chairman
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