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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 18

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

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PATRICK H. LYONS

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION  
DEPARTMENT OBTAIN COUNTIES' APPROVAL PRIOR TO DESIGNATING  
STATE ROADS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF COUNTIES TO MAINTAIN.

WHEREAS, the state highway and transportation department  
told Union county and other county officials in December 1997  
that the department has the authority to determine whether a  
road is the responsibility of the county or the state; and

WHEREAS, the department has told some county officials  
that counties will have the obligation to maintain some state  
highways; and

WHEREAS, many counties do not have the equipment or the  
budgets to maintain state highways; and

WHEREAS, state highways are essential to the economy and  
welfare of rural citizens;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state highway and transportation department be asked to obtain the approval of boards of county commissioners prior to designating state roads the responsibility of counties to maintain; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the New Mexico legislative council be requested to direct the appropriate committee to study the responsibility of the state highway and transportation department to maintain state roads and report findings and recommendations to the legislative council by November 1, 1998; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the secretary of highway and transportation and to the New Mexico legislative council.

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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 recommendation that it DO PASS.

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24 Gloria Howes, Chairman  
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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: 0

Excused: Aragon, Campos

Absent: None

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8 Mr. Speaker:

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10 Your TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been  
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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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22 3. On page 1, strike lines 19 through 21 in their  
entirety. ,

23 and thence referred to the RULES COMMITTEE.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Daniel P. Silva, Chairman

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(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The roll call vote was 11 For 0 Against

Yes: 11  
Excused: None  
Absent: Russell

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