HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 28

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

INTRODUCED BY

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE, THE
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC EDUCATION DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS TO ACCOMPLISH SPANISH
PROFICIENCY AMONG TEACHERS IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, the constitution of New Mexico directs the
legislature to provide training for teachers to accomplish
Spanish proficiency in the public schools and educational
institutions across the state; and

WHEREAS, many students enrolled in the public schools and
in educational institutions in New Mexico are Spanish speakers
who would benefit from teachers who could provide the proper
means and methods to facilitate the teaching of the English
language; and

WHEREAS, other students who are not Spanish speakers

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1 would also benefit from teachers who could provide the proper

2 means and methods to facilitate the teaching of the Spanish

3 language; and

4 WHEREAS, providing students throughout the state with a

5 bilingual education would lead to better communication among

6 New Mexico's diverse population;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE

8 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislative education study

9 committee, the commission on higher education and the state

10 department of public education develop a plan and budget to

11 implement and honor the provisions of Article 12, Section 8 of

12 the constitution of New Mexico; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislative education

14 study committee, the commission on higher education and the

15 state department of public education include in the plan and

16 budget a method for also providing students who are not

17 Spanish speakers the opportunity to enhance their education by

18 learning to speak Spanish; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan and its

20 recommendations be submitted to the legislature by December

21 1999; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be

23 transmitted to the director of the legislative education study

24 committee, the director of the commission on higher education

25 and to the superintendent of public instruction.

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FORTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION, 1999

February 22, 1999

Mr. Speaker:

Your **EDUCATION COMMITTEE,** to whom has been referred

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 28

has had it under consideration and reports same with

recommendation that it **DO PASS.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Rick Miera, Chairman

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10   The roll call vote was __12__ For __0__ Against

     Yes: 12

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     Excused: Burpo, Knauer, Marquardt, Stapleton

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     Absent: None

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FORTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION, 1999

March 16, 1999

Mr. President:

Your **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with

recommendation that it **DO PASS**.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 7 For 1 Against

Yes: 7

No: Adair

Excused: Boitano, Gorham

Absent: None

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