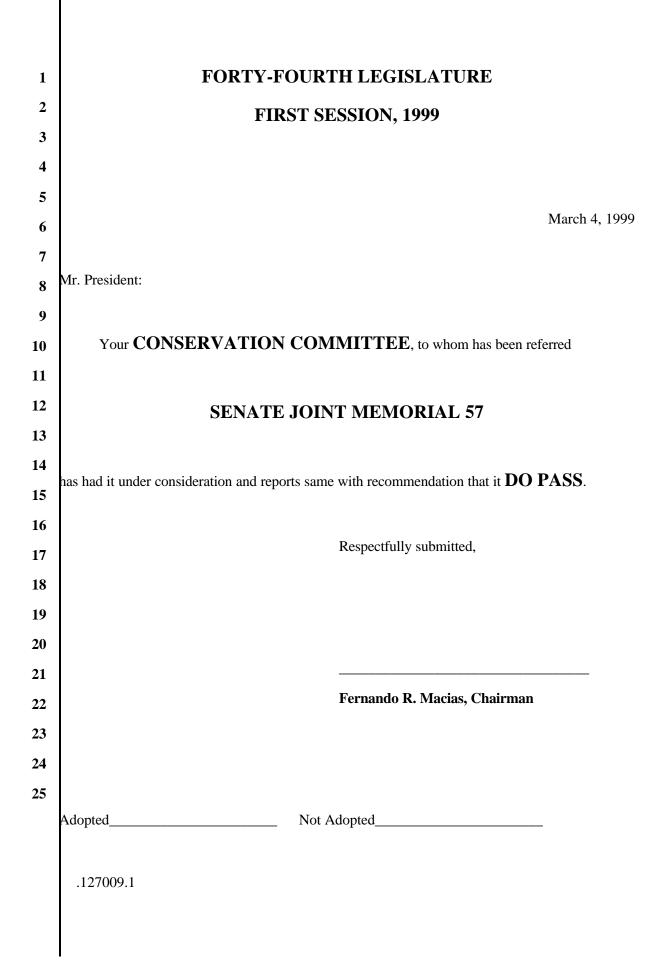
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2	44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999
3	INTRODUCED BY
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10	A JOINT MEMORIAL
11	ENCOURAGING RESIDENTS OF NEW MEXICO TO CAP ABANDONED WATER
12	WELLS ON THEIR PROPERTY AND SEEK TECHNICAL SUPPORT FROM THE
13	LOCAL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT.
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15	WHEREAS, abandoned wells are a public health risk and a safety risk to children,
16	adults and animals; and
17	WHEREAS, abandoned wells may range from open pipes to holes in the ground, and
18	may constitute an attractive nuisance on a person's land; and
19	WHEREAS, abandoned wells are a potential source of contaminants of the
20	underground aquifer and water supply; and
21	WHEREAS, local soil and water districts provide information on capping abandoned
22	wells;
23	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
24 25	STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the public and property owners should be warned about the
25	need to cap abandoned wells; and
	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a resident of New Mexico who is aware of an
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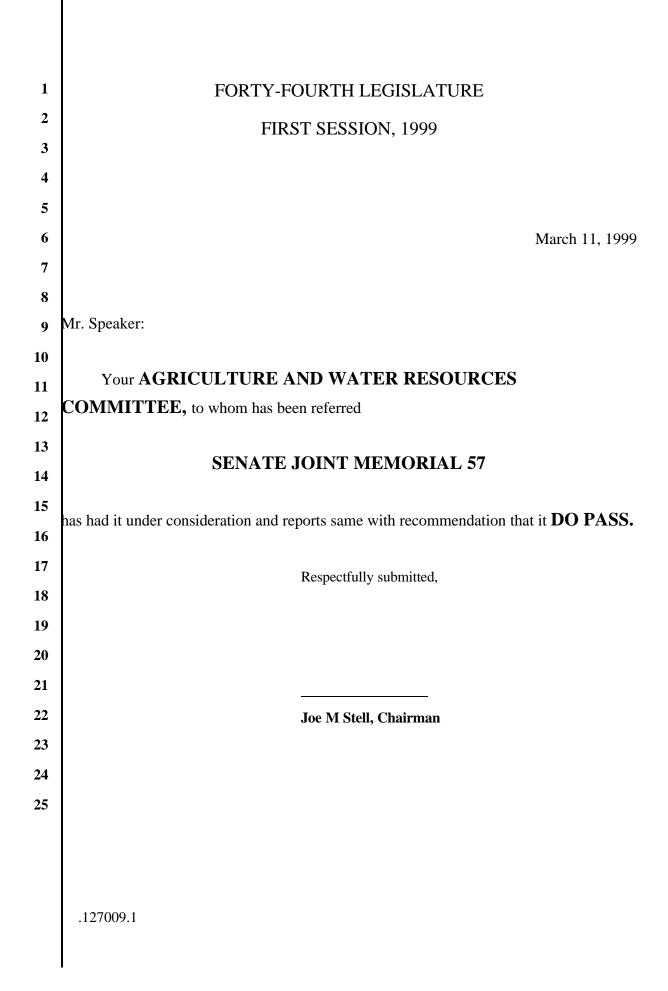
1	abandoned well should contact his local soil and water conservation district to seek technical
2	help and financial assistance in capping the well; and
3	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the state
4	engineer and the New Mexico department of agriculture to be disseminated to the local soil and
5	water conservation districts.
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