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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER
MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CAPITOL'S VENTILATION SYSTEM FOR
IMPROVED AIR CIRCULATION IN LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOMS.

WHEREAS, legislative sessions place maximum demand upon
the capitol's mechanical systems, especially the ventilation,
heating and cooling systems; and

WHEREAS, the current capitol remodeling project includes
not only new legislative offices in the old state library but
additional committee rooms in the roundhouse; and

WHEREAS, these new committee rooms will have an improved
ventilation, cooling and heating system that includes
computer-monitored and controlled temperature adjustment
capability; and

WHEREAS, currently only the two largest committee meeting

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1 rooms have dual-controlled ventilation systems; and

2 WHEREAS, the smaller legislative committee rooms easily
3 become overheated and stuffy, making it difficult for
4 legislators and the public to concentrate on the business at
5 hand; and

6 WHEREAS, new technology would allow improved ventilation,
7 heating and cooling of all the legislative committee rooms;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, it is not a major difficulty to include in the
10 remodeling project a switch to computer-controlled
11 ventilation, heating and cooling for all the legislative
12 committee meeting rooms;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
14 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico legislative council
15 direct the legislative council service to seek a cost estimate
16 to allow for computer-controlled ventilation, heating and
17 cooling in all legislative committee meeting rooms and to
18 proceed with necessary change orders in order to improve air
19 circulation in those rooms; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
21 sent to the New Mexico legislative council.