

1 A MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO CONVENE A
3 TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A LONG-TERM, ENVIRONMENTALLY CLEAN
4 ENERGY POLICY FOR NEW MEXICO.

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6 WHEREAS, New Mexico is blessed with an abundance of
7 natural resources, and particularly with renewable resources
8 such as solar and wind; and

9 WHEREAS, New Mexico is ranked fourth among the fifty
10 states in its solar resources; and

11 WHEREAS, at this time, New Mexico is ranked lower than
12 at least ten other states in the development of solar and
13 wind resources, and with regard to wind energy, most of the
14 wind power developed in New Mexico is exported to other
15 states; and

16 WHEREAS, New Mexico has the potential to become a
17 national leader in transitioning to a clean-fuel-based
18 economy in a manner that balances environmental and economic
19 benefits;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
21 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico legislative council
22 be requested to convene a task force to develop a long-term,
23 environmentally clean energy policy for New Mexico; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force consider the
25 most efficient use of all currently available energy

1 resources and the economic benefits to all stakeholders; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force consider
3 statewide energy efficiency, transportation and conservation
4 best practices and currently available control technologies
5 in developing the policy; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force be composed
7 of representatives from all statewide constituencies,
8 including energy utilities; energy resource providers; local
9 governments; economic, legal and tax analysts; and
10 environmental interest groups; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force present a
12 comprehensive and detailed policy recommendation to the
13 appropriate interim committee by September 2018; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
15 transmitted to the co-chairs of the New Mexico legislative
16 council.

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