## SENATE FLOOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL 901

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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## AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
CREATING A CRIMINAL OFFENSE THAT MAKES IT UNLAWFUL TO CARRY A
FIREARM ON UNIVERSITY PREMISES; PROVIDING A PENALTY; ENACTING A
NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER 30, ARTICLE 7 NMSA 1978.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 7 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF A FIREARM ON UNIVERSITY PREMISES--NOTICE--PENALTY.--

- A. Unlawful carrying of a firearm on university premises consists of carrying a firearm on university premises except by:
  - (1) a peace officer;
  - (2) university security personnel;

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(3) a student, instructor or other
university-authorized personnel who are engaged in army, navy,
marine corps or air force reserve officer training corps
programs or a state-authorized hunter safety training program,

- (4) a person conducting or participating in a university-approved program, class or other activity involving the carrying of a firearm; or
- (5) a person older than nineteen years of age on university premises in a private automobile or other private means of conveyance, for lawful protection of the person's or another's person or property.
- B. A university shall conspicuously post notices on university premises that state that it is unlawful to carry a firearm on university premises.

## C. As used in this section:

- (1) "university" means a baccal aureate degreegranting post-secondary educational institution, a community college, a branch community college, a technical-vocational institute and an area vocational school; and
  - (2) "university premises" means:
- (a) the buildings and grounds of a university, including playing fields and parking areas of a university, in or on which university or university-related activities are conducted; or
  - (b) any other public buildings or

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grounds, including playing fields and parking areas that are not university property, in or on which university-related and sanctioned activities are performed.

D. Whoever commits unlawful carrying of a firearm on university premises is guilty of a petty misdemeanor."

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2003.

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