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**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 27**

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

**INTRODUCED BY**

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**FOR THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**A JOINT MEMORIAL**

**REQUESTING THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, IN CONSULTATION WITH PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION AND THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE ON A PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PROCESS FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION.**

**WHEREAS, the executive and legislative branches of New Mexico state government have demonstrated their commitment to effective performance evaluation of agencies and programs through the enactment of the Accountability in Government Act; and**

**WHEREAS, the commission on higher education appointed a blue ribbon task force to recommend improvements to the formula mechanisms used to distribute funds to public post-secondary**

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1 educational institutions; and

2 WHEREAS, the blue ribbon task force developed a new  
3 funding mechanism that includes incentives for successful  
4 performance and recommended to the legislature the creation and  
5 funding of the higher education performance fund; and

6 WHEREAS, the commission on higher education, public post-  
7 secondary educational institutions and executive and  
8 legislative representatives have all indicated support for this  
9 revised funding mechanism; and

10 WHEREAS, development of appropriate performance measures  
11 and assessment criteria requires careful analysis and  
12 discussion to ensure that these performance evaluation  
13 processes are rigorous and successfully integrated with the  
14 provisions of the Accountability in Government Act;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
16 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the commission on higher education, in  
17 consultation with the public post-secondary educational  
18 institutions, the department of finance and administration and  
19 the legislative finance committee, be requested to develop a  
20 comprehensive recommendation for implementing a performance  
21 evaluation process that will become the basis for distribution  
22 of funds appropriated to the higher education performance fund;  
23 and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission on higher  
25 education report its recommendations to the legislative finance

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1 committee and the department of finance and administration by  
2 September 30, 2003; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
4 transmitted to the commission on higher education for  
5 distribution to public post-secondary educational institutions  
6 and to the legislative finance committee and the department of  
7 finance and administration.

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