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REQUESTI NG THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATI ON AND THE STATE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLI C EDUCATI ON TO REVI EW SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS.

WHEREAS, the legi sl at ure finds that students and school empl oyees in New Mexi co have a right to safe and productive school envi ronments; and

WHEREAS, $t$ he brutal murder of $t$ went $y$ - ei ght-year-ol d Carol yn Thurman Rust vol d while she was working late in her cl assroom at Mbntezuma el ementary school in Al buquer que has shaken the entire New Mexi co school commity's trust in the safety of its schools; and

WHEREAS, the provisi on of safe and producti ve I earning envi ronments that will ensure the saf ety of children and school empl oyees must be a priority in New Mexico's schools;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEG SLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXI CO that the state board of education and the state department of publ ic education be requested to revi ew school safety plans to assess the ability of the plans to ensure the safety of school empl oyees and students during school hours and at times other than normal school hours; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the I egi sl at ive education study committee be requested to conduct a revi ew of school saf ety pl ans during the next legi slative interim and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copi es of this menorial be transmitted to the state board of education, the state department of public education and the legi slative education st udy committee.

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