AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE AGENCIES; ENUMERATING DIVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

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

Section 1. Section 9-24-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2004, Chapter 27, Section 1) is amended to read:

"9-24-1. SHORT TITLE.--Chapter 9, Article 24 NMSA 1978 may be cited as the "Public Education Department Act"."

Section 2. Section 9-24-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2004, Chapter 27, Section 4) is amended to read:

"9-24-4. DEPARTMENT CREATED.--

A. The "public education department" is created in the executive branch. The department is a cabinet department and includes the following divisions:

- (1) the administrative services division;
- (2) the assessment and accountability division:
 - (3) the educator quality division;
 - (4) the Indian education division;
 - (5) the information technology division;
- (6) the instructional support and vocational education division;
- (7) the program support and student transportation division;

- (8) the quality assurance and systems integration division;
 - (9) the rural education division; and
 - (10) the vocational rehabilitation division.
- B. The secretary may organize the department and divisions of the department and may transfer or merge functions between divisions and bureaus in the interest of efficiency and economy."

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