1	SENATE MEMORIAL 4
2	47th legislature - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005
3	INTRODUCED BY
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10	A MEMORIAL
11	RECOGNIZING THE SMOKEY BEAR FIRE PREVENTION MESSAGE AND
12	SUPPORTING THE FUNDRAISING EFFORTS OF THE FRIENDS OF SMOKEY
13	BEAR BALLOON, INCORPORATED, TO PURCHASE A NEW SMOKEY BEAR HOT
14	AIR BALLOON.
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16	WHEREAS, in 1944, the United States department of
17	agriculture forest service, the national association of state
18	foresters and the national ad council proclaimed Smokey Bear as
19	the national symbol of the campaign to prevent human-caused
20	wildfire; and
21	WHEREAS, in 1950, a small bear cub was rescued from a fire
22	in the Lincoln national forest near Capitan, New Mexico, and
23	became the real-life Smokey Bear; and
24	WHEREAS, Smokey Bear enlists everyone's help to protect
25	all forests and wildlands from human-caused wildfires, which
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WHEREAS, in 1993, the friends of Smokey Bear balloon, incorporated, a volunteer nonprofit organization, created the Smokey Bear hot air balloon and began its mission to keep Smokey Bear and his fire prevention message on the minds of all people playing and working on America's public lands; and

WHEREAS, during its eleven years of service, the Smokey Bear balloon traveled across the United States, Canada and the Netherlands promoting the message of wildfire prevention; and

WHEREAS, the balloon suffered a tragic accident at the 2004 Albuquerque international balloon fiesta and was destroyed; and

WHEREAS, the friends of Smokey Bear balloon, incorporated, will replace the Smokey Bear balloon with the assistance of gracious donations from supporters, including Citadel radio group, whose tower was damaged in the accident;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that 2005 be recognized as the sixtieth anniversary celebration of the Smokey Bear fire prevention message and the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the United States forest service and that all residents of New Mexico be urged to support the friends of Smokey Bear balloon, incorporated, in its efforts to raise funds for a new Smokey Bear hot air balloon; and

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