SENATE RESOLUTION 5

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A RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE SENATE RULES TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGNATION OF PRIORITY LEGISLATION THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE OTHER LEGISLATION.

WHEREAS, the rules of the senate may be amended by a two-thirds' vote of the senators elected or by a majority vote of the members of the senate upon the recommendation of the rules committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that:

1. A new Senate Rule 9-10 be adopted to read:

"9-10   A committee chairman shall ensure that bills, resolutions and memorials designated by members of the senate as priority legislation pursuant to Senate Rule 11-9-1 are scheduled for

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1	hearings before any other bills, resolutions or
2	memorials that are referred to the committee.".
3	2. Senate Rule 11-9-1 be amended to read:
4	"11-9-1 Every bill, resolution or memorial introduced
5	in the senate by a senator shall be endorsed by
6	the senator sponsoring the bill, resolution or
7	memorial and by each senator co-sponsoring the
8	bill, resolution or memorial. A senator may
9	designate up to five bills, resolutions or
10	memorials introduced during the first five
11	calendar days of a regular session that
12	convenes in an even-numbered year and the first
13	ten calendar days of a regular session that
14	convenes in an odd-numbered year as priority
15	legislation.".
16	3. Senate Rule 11-22-1 be amended to read:
17	"11-22-1 All bills whether reported in by a committee or
18	ordered placed upon the calendar by vote of the
19	senate and on order of third reading shall be
20	placed on the daily printed calendar in their
21	regular order except that bills, resolutions
22	and memorials designated by members of the
23	senate as priority legislation pursuant to
24	Senate Rule 11-9-1 shall be placed on the
25	calendar ahead of other legislation.".

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