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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR CREATE A TASK FORCE TO EVALUATE
12 THE FUNDING OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES DIVISION OF THE
13 REGULATION AND LICENSING DEPARTMENT AND THE LABOR AND
14 INDUSTRIAL DIVISION OF THE LABOR DEPARTMENT IN LIGHT OF THE
15 EXTENSIVE GROWTH IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES IN NEW MEXICO.

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17 WHEREAS, the state of New Mexico has identified economic
18 development as a top priority; and

19 WHEREAS, emphasis on economic development requires that
20 the state be able to adequately support the industry growth
21 resulting from such emphasis; and

22 WHEREAS, the construction industry is one of the fastest-
23 growing industries in New Mexico, making it a major economic
24 driver in New Mexico; and

25 WHEREAS, the regulatory services provided to the

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1 construction industry by the construction industries division
2 of the regulation and licensing department and the labor and
3 industrial division of the labor department are essential to
4 sustaining that growth, to equitable practices in the industry
5 and to the quality of construction in New Mexico; and

6 WHEREAS, the processes for funding the construction
7 industries division and the labor and industrial division do
8 not take into account the relationship between industry growth
9 and funding;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
11 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the governor be requested to form a
12 task force to study the relationship between funding and
13 industry growth and make recommendations to the legislative
14 finance committee and the department of finance and
15 administration for means and methods of funding the
16 construction industries division of the regulation and
17 licensing department and the labor and industrial division of
18 the labor department that correspond to growth and other
19 relevant changes in the construction industry; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force consider at a
21 minimum whether the construction industries division should
22 continue to be a division of the regulation and licensing
23 department and how funding for these agencies can be structured
24 with flexibility that will enable them to effectively respond
25 to growth and declines in the construction industry, including

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1 whether enterprise funding is a viable method of accomplishing
2 this goal; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governor consider
4 appointing to the task force a representative from each of the
5 legislative finance committee, the department of finance and
6 administration, the senate finance committee, the house
7 appropriations and finance committee, the residential
8 construction industry, the subcontracting industry, organized
9 labor, the liquefied petroleum gas industry, a licensed and
10 practicing electrical contractor, a licensed and practicing
11 mechanical or plumbing contractor, a licensed and practicing
12 architect, a licensed and practicing general contractor, the
13 directors of the construction industries division and the labor
14 and industrial division and a resident of the state who is not
15 a licensed contractor or certified journeyman who shall
16 represent the people of New Mexico; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governor consider that the
18 task force meet for the first time no later than March 1, 2006;
19 and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force report its
21 findings and make recommendations to the legislative finance
22 committee and the department of finance and administration by
23 August 1, 2006; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
25 transmitted to the secretary of economic development, the

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2 labor, the superintendent of regulation and licensing and the
3 governor.

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