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HOUSE BILL 492

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; ADDING UNION
REPRESENTATION ON THE GROUP BENEFITS COMMITTEE.

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

Section 1. Section 10-7B-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1989,
Chapter 231, Section 3) is amended to read:

"10-7B-3. GROUP BENEFITS COMMITTEE--CREATED.--

A. The "group benefits committee" is created. The
committee shall be composed of [~~nine~~] members as follows:

(1) one employee of, appointed by the
secretary of, each of the two departments of the state,
excluding state institutions of higher education, having the
largest number of full-time employees;

(2) the superintendent of insurance or [~~his~~]
the superintendent's designee;

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1 (3) the director of the state personnel office
2 or [~~his~~] the director's designee;

3 (4) the executive secretary of the public
4 employees retirement association or [~~his~~] the executive
5 secretary's designee;

6 (5) the chief financial officer of a state
7 agency or institution, appointed by the governor;

8 (6) one employee of a local public body
9 participating in the state group plan, appointed by the
10 governor; [~~and~~]

11 (7) two public employees of state agencies,
12 other than those from [~~whom~~] which members are appointed
13 pursuant to Paragraphs (1) through (4) of this subsection,
14 appointed by the governor; and

15 (8) other members, appointed by the governor,
16 as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of a
17 bargaining agreement entered into pursuant to the provisions of
18 the Public Employee Bargaining Act.

19 B. Members of the committee appointed by the
20 governor or by a department secretary shall serve terms of four
21 years. Vacancies in appointive memberships shall be filled by
22 the appointing authority. An appointive membership shall be
23 deemed vacant when the member ceases to be a public employee or
24 ceases to meet the qualifications for [~~his~~] membership set
25 forth in Subsection A of this section. An appointive

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1 membership shall also be deemed vacant when the member fails to
2 attend three consecutive meetings of the committee.

3 C. A majority of the committee shall constitute a
4 quorum. The members of the committee shall elect annually from
5 among the membership a [~~chairman~~] chair and vice [~~chairman~~]
6 chair."

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