

A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND COST OF THE OPERATION OF A MOBILE DENTAL HEALTH CLINIC.

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of dental health care professionals throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, New Mexicans, especially those in rural areas, have difficulty finding and receiving dental health care; and

WHEREAS, dental health care is important to a person's overall health and well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department of health be requested to conduct a feasibility and cost study of the procurement and operation of mobile dental health clinics, including a determination of which geographical areas of the state would most benefit from the operation of mobile dental health clinics; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department of health report the findings and conclusions of its study to the legislative health and human services committee by October 1, 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the secretary of health, the New Mexico legislative council and the legislative health and human services committee.