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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Proclaiming Tuesday, February 5, 2008, as "Drug Court Day" at the New Mexico Senate.

The Memorial provides the following statements about Drug Courts in New Mexico:

- Drug courts provide the focus and leadership for community-wide, anti-drug systems, bringing together criminal justice, treatment, education and other community partners in the fight against drug abuse and criminality; and
- Drug court programs are the original form of drug policy reform and combine intensive judicial supervision, mandatory substance abuse treatment and drug testing and escalating sanctions and incentives in order to break the cycle of drug addiction and its concomitant crimes; and
- Judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, treatment and rehabilitation professionals, law
 enforcement and corrections personnel, researchers and educators, national and
 community leaders and others dedicated to the drug court movement have had a profound
 impact on their communities through their hard work and commitment; and
- The drug court movement has grown in New Mexico from one drug court in 1994 to some thirty-four drug courts in operation or in the planning stages;

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