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HOUSE BILL 206

**49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2010**

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO VOTING; CLARIFYING THE PROCESS FOR EX-FELON VOTER  
REGISTRATION.

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

Section 1. A new Section 1-4-27.2 NMSA 1978 is enacted to  
read:

"1-4-27.2. [NEW MATERIAL] ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING UPON  
SATISFACTION OF CONDITIONS.--A person convicted of a felony  
offense shall be restored the right to vote and shall be  
eligible to register to vote if the person:

A. has completed the terms of a suspended or  
deferred sentence imposed by a court;

B. was unconditionally discharged from a  
correctional facility;

C. was conditionally discharged from a correctional

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1 facility and has completed all conditions of probation or  
2 parole;

3 D. was placed on supervised probation or parole and  
4 has completed the conditions of supervision ordered by the  
5 court; or

6 E. was granted a pardon or a certificate by the  
7 governor restoring the person's full rights of citizenship."

8 Section 2. A new Section 31-13-1.1 NMSA 1978 is enacted  
9 to read:

10 "31-13-1.1. [NEW MATERIAL] FELONY CONVICTION--RESTORATION  
11 OF CITIZENSHIP.--A person who has been convicted of a felony  
12 shall not be permitted to hold an office of public trust for  
13 the state, a county, a municipality or a district unless the  
14 person presents the governor with a certificate verifying  
15 completion of the person's sentence and the governor grants a  
16 pardon or issues a certificate restoring the person's full  
17 rights of citizenship."

18 Section 3. REPEAL.--Sections 1-4-27.1 and 31-13-1 NMSA  
19 1978 (being Laws 2001, Chapter 46, Section 1 and Laws 1963,  
20 Chapter 303, Section 29-14, as amended) are repealed.