

HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL 458

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC CITATIONS; REQUIRING A SPACE FOR A PHYSICAL  
AND MAILING ADDRESS IN THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 66-8-128 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,  
Chapter 35, Section 536, as amended) is amended to read:

"66-8-128. UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATION.--

A. The department shall prepare a uniform traffic  
citation containing at least the following information:

(1) an information section, serially numbered  
and containing spaces for the name, physical address and  
mailing address, city and state of the individual charged; the  
individual's physical description, age and sex; the  
registration number, year and state of the vehicle involved and  
its make and type; the state and number of the individual's

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1 driver's license; the specific section number and common name  
2 of the offense charged under the NMSA 1978 or [øf] local law;  
3 the date and time of arrest; the arresting officer's signature  
4 and identification number; and the conditions existing at the  
5 time of the violation;

6 (2) a notice to appear; and

7 (3) a penalty assessment notice with a place  
8 for the signature of the violator agreeing to pay the penalty  
9 assessment prescribed.

10 B. The department shall prescribe how the uniform  
11 traffic citation form may be used as a warning notice.

12 C. The department shall prescribe the size and  
13 number of copies of the paper version of the uniform traffic  
14 citation and the disposition of each copy. The department may  
15 also prescribe one or more electronic versions of the uniform  
16 traffic citation, and these electronic versions may be used in  
17 the issuance of citations.

18 D. Any entity that wishes to submit uniform traffic  
19 citations required to be submitted to the department by  
20 electronic means [~~must~~] shall secure the prior permission of  
21 the department."

22 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the  
23 provisions this act is July 1, 2011.