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

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AN ACT

FOR THE ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

RELATING TO RULES; REQUIRING THAT STATE AGENCIES PROMULGATE RULES FOR TIME FRAMES FOR RESPONSE TO LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: STATE AGENCY--LICENSES.--SECTION 1.

- For license applications received after August 1, 2011, state agencies shall provide each applicant with a specific time frame for the agency's response to the application at the time that the applicant submits the application.
- No later than July 1, 2011, each state agency shall promulgate rules establishing specific time frames for response to license applications. In promulgating rules pursuant to this subsection, agencies may provide for a mutual extension of any deadline for licensing, and they shall

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- (1) the complexity of the licensing process for each type of license; and
- (2) the economic impact on the applicant or on any other person or community that is likely to result from a delay in issuance of a license.
 - C. For the purposes of this section:
- "license" includes the whole or part of (1) any permit, certificate, approval, registration, charter, membership, statutory exemption or other form of permission required by law;
- "licensing" includes the agency process respecting the granting, denial, renewal, revocation, suspension, annulment, withdrawal, amendment, limiting, modifying or conditioning of a license; and
- (3) "state agency" means any state agency, board, commission, department or officer authorized by law to make rules or grant licenses in the executive branch of state government.

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