## SENATE BILL 391

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

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AN ACT

RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT; CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NEW MEXICO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY BOARD.

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

SECTION 1. Section 29-7-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1979, Chapter 202, Section 42, as amended) is amended to read:

'29-7-3. NEW MEXICO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY BOARD.--

- A. There is created the "New Mexico law enforcement academy board".
- B. The academy shall be controlled and supervised by policy set by the board. The board shall be composed of the attorney general, who shall serve automatically by reason of [his] office and serve as [chairman] chair of the board, and [six] nine members who are qualified electors [to be appointed by the governor and] confirmed by the senate. The attorney

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general may appoint a designee to serve in the attorney
general's place. The attorney general shall provide legal
advice to the academy and the board. An appointed board member
shall serve and have all of the duties, responsibilities and
authority of that office during the period prior to the final
action by the senate in confirming or rejecting the
appointment.

[C. On or before July 1, 1994, the governor shall increase the number of members on the board to eight by appointing two additional members. The seventh member of the board shall be a citizen-at-large member whose term shall end on July 1, 1996. The eighth member of the board shall be a police officer who is a New Mexico certified police officer, holding the rank of sergeant or below at the time of his appointment, and whose term shall end on July 1, 1996 or sooner if he retires or is deactivated from duty for longer than thirty days.

# C. The appointed members of the board are:

(1) three county sheriffs, appointed by the New Mexico association of counties, consisting of:

- (a) one sheriff from a class A county;
- (b) one sheriff from a class B county

with a valuation of over three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000); and

(c) one sheriff from a class B county

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1	with a valuation less than three hundred million dollars
2	(\$300,000,000); a class C county; or a first class county;
3	(2) three municipal police chiefs, appointed
4	by the New Mexico municipal league, consisting of:
5	(a) one police chief from a municipality
6	with a population of more than one hundred thousand people
7	according to the most recent federal decennial census;
8	(b) one police chief from a municipality
9	with a population of more than ten thousand people but less
10	than one hundred thousand people according to the most recent
11	federal decennial census; and
12	(c) one police chief from a municipality
13	with a population of ten thousand people or fewer according to
14	the most recent federal decennial census;
15	(3) one district attorney, appointed by the
16	<pre>governor;</pre>
17	(4) one certified police chief of a New Mexico
18	Indian nation, tribe or pueblo, appointed by the governor; and
19	(5) one citizen-at-large member, appointed by
20	the governor.
21	$\underline{\mathtt{D.}}$ Appointments to the board shall be for terms of
22	four years or less made in such manner that the terms of not
23	more than two members expire on July l of each year. [At all
24	times, the board shall have represented on it, as members, one
25	municipal police chief, one sheriff, one state police officer,

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one district attorney, one certified police chief of a New
Mexico Indian tribe or pueblo, one certified New Mexico police
officer holding the rank of sergeant or below and two citizen-
at-large members.] Vacancies shall be filled by the [governor]
original appointing authority for the unexpired term.

 $[rac{B.}{}]$   $\underline{E.}$  Members of the board shall receive, for their service as members of the board, per diem and mileage as provided in the Per Diem and Mileage Act."

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