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HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 6

The Honorable W. Ken Martinez and
Members of the House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Honorable Speaker Martinez and Members of the House:

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of New Mexico, Article IV, Section 22, I hereby VETO and return HOUSE BILL 273 enacted by the Fifty-First Legislature, First Session, 2013.

House Bill 273 amends the Public School Capital Outlay Act by removing the statutory requirement to annually increase lease assistance payments to charter schools using the consumer price index (CPI).

I am concerned that signing House Bill 273 could potentially limit the ability of New Mexico charter schools to fund future leasing needs. Preserving adequate funding for school facilities through the Public School Capital Outlay Fund ensures that operational dollars are not diverted away from classroom learning.

Respectfully yours,

Susana Martinez
Governor

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