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**52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2016**

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR JOBS GROWTH PRESENTED BY THE NEW FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION LAW; REQUESTING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY ITS POTENTIAL AND PROVIDE A REPORT.

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2015, the congress of the United States passed the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, known as the FAST Act, a five-year authorization for federal highway spending; and

WHEREAS, the FAST Act has a new requirement for shipping truckers that limits them to eleven hours of continuous driving time, referred to in the Fast Act as "service time", after which they are required to take a ten-hour break; and

WHEREAS, three of the nation's main truck shipment routes cross New Mexico: interstate highway 10, interstate highway 25

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1 and interstate highway 40; and

2 WHEREAS, shipping companies are likely to adjust their  
3 schedules to both maximize the distance covered during the  
4 allowed service time and to maximize the services available to  
5 their drivers during their required ten hours of downtime; and

6 WHEREAS, the states that first develop multi-service  
7 locations for truckers that take advantage of the eleven-hour  
8 limit are likely to gain an economic growth and jobs windfall  
9 and a competitive advantage over their neighboring states;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
11 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the economic  
12 development department and the department of transportation be  
13 requested to conduct a study and develop a report analyzing:

14 A. the scope of services, such as food services,  
15 motel accommodations, entertainment services and fuel and  
16 vehicle repair stations, that would be needed to make a  
17 location a preferred trucking rest center for shipping  
18 companies;

19 B. the shipping patterns along the interstate  
20 highways crossing New Mexico and the zones where truck drivers  
21 will most frequently reach their eleven-hour service limit;

22 C. the locations within the eleven-hour frequency  
23 zones that have the best existing infrastructure to support  
24 trucking rest centers; and

25 D. the potential for the state and local

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1 governments to enter into public-private partnerships with  
2 service companies to develop these locations as trucking rest  
3 centers; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the economic development  
5 department and the department of transportation consult with  
6 the New Mexico trucking association and the commercial  
7 logistics experts at New Mexico state university in the  
8 development of the report; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the economic development  
10 department and the department of transportation present the  
11 report to the relevant legislative interim committee prior to  
12 November 1, 2016; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this memorial be  
14 transmitted to the secretary of economic development, the  
15 secretary of transportation, the president of New Mexico state  
16 university and the managing director of the New Mexico trucking  
17 association.