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Susana Martinez  
Governor

April 6, 2017

## SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 53

The Honorable Mary Kay Papen, President Pro Tempore and  
Members of the New Mexico State Senate  
State Capitol Building  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Honorable President Pro Tempore Papen and Members of the Senate:

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of New Mexico, Article IV, Section 22, I hereby VETO and return SENATE BILL 30, as amended, enacted by the Fifty-Third Legislature, First Session, 2017.

Senate Bill 30 would pay teachers according to their licensure level and experience, as opposed to the current system of paying teachers based on their education and experience.

However, this legislation would also cut new program funding for growing charter schools adding grades or other programs like bilingual or special education. While I believe in the principle of paying teachers according to their licensure and experience, and offering additional supports where they are needed most among our at-risk students, I cannot sign a bill that would effectively cripple our charters as they try to sustain the growth we encourage.

For this reason, I hereby veto Senate Bill 30.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Martinez".

Susana Martinez  
Governor

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The Honorable Mary Kay Papen

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