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HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT number _____ to HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND
FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR HOUSE BILL 196

Amendment sponsored by Representative Gail Armstrong

1. On page 1, line 13, after the semicolon, insert "PROVIDING
FOR FUNDING OF PILOT PROJECTS;".

2. On page 2, before line 1, insert the following new section:

"SECTION 1. A new section of the Accountability in Government
Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] EVALUATING PILOT PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE
GOVERNMENT RESULTS AND OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM FUND--APPROPRIATIONS FOR
PILOT PROJECTS TO INCLUDE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.--

A. An agency that proposes to conduct a pilot project
shall, by September 1 of the year prior to the legislative session
in which a request for an appropriation from the government results
and opportunity program fund for the pilot project is expected to be
made, include the following information to the committee:

(1) a description of project premise, including the
purpose of the pilot project, a working hypothesis or a theory of
change and a description of how the pilot project will help to
achieve specific agency goals or objectives;

(2) a justification of need describing the extent of
the problem to be addressed and the locations and population the
pilot project will serve;

(3) a description of the pilot project, including a
list of specific activities to achieve expected outcomes and cost

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per unit for the proposal and an estimate of the cost to evaluate the pilot project;

(4) a current categorization of the pilot project as being evidence-based, promising or research-based or in need of additional research;

(5) an implementation or action plan for the pilot project that shall include a time line for implementation of activities, milestones and a target date for full implementation;

(6) a fidelity plan, including specific process metrics to be used to ensure the pilot project is implemented as intended; and

(7) a measurement and evaluation plan, including specific activities, evaluation requirements and outcome measures to be used to test the working hypothesis or theory of change, as well as dates for when these data will be made available.

B. The committee, in consultation with the division and the agency administering a pilot project, shall develop performance measures for the agency to evaluate the pilot project. For each year the pilot project is in effect, a notification of the evaluation shall be sent to the agency on or before June 15, and the evaluation shall be completed and submitted by the agency to the committee on or before July 15. The notification shall include the performance measures to be evaluated and:

(1) a summary of the information and requirements provided in Paragraphs (1) through (7) of Subsection A of this section since the commencement of the pilot project;

(2) the outputs produced by, the outcomes resulting from and baseline data associated with each performance measure;

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(3) whether the information provided pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this subsection demonstrates that the pilot project has proven that the hypothesis of the pilot project is likely to be beneficial in New Mexico;

(4) if the pilot project is evidence-based, research-based, promising or lacking evidence of effectiveness;

(5) spending data to date; and

(6) results of evaluations or audits of the pilot project.

C. The committee, in consultation with the division and the agency, shall review a pilot project's evaluation submitted for an agency and issue its approval or disapproval on or before September 1 following receipt of the evaluation."".

3. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

Gail Armstrong

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Not Adopted _____
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Date _____