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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 14

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

### INTRODUCED BY

### J. PAUL TAYLOR

FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

### A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING A REPORT FROM THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

DEPARTMENT ON ITS RESPONSIBILITIES, ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS AND

PLANS FOR THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the legislature is often questioned about the availability and quality of services for adults needing protection; and

WHEREAS, this population is one of the most vulnerable and one deserving of respect, gratitude and solicitous care; and

WHEREAS, all too often it is these helpless individuals who are abandoned by family, friends and the state, which they have supported in their productive years; and

WHEREAS, the state has clear statutory responsibility for ensuring that these individuals are protected and cared for to

the greatest extent possible, including protection from exploitation; and

WHEREAS, the state has an even greater moral responsibility to do its best for those unfortunate individuals, who through no fault of their own, are dependent and vulnerable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the children, youth and families department do a thorough study of all phases of its adult protective services division and programs, including its mission, resources, administrative and field staffing levels, legal support staff, training, community education efforts, the status of all investigations begun or completed within the past two years and departmental plans for the division; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the children, youth and families department invite the active participation of guardianship providers, the developmental disabilities planning council, the governor's committee on concerns of the handicapped, the state agency on aging, the adult continuum, adult services providers, advocacy organizations and various representatives of different segments of the senior citizen community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the children, youth and families department give progress reports, together with any recommendations for legislation, to the interim legislative health and human services committee at both its July and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be sent to the children, youth and families department.

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# State of New Mexico House of Representatives

# FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION, 1996

4 January 25, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your **RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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Barbara A. Perea Casey,

has had it under consideration and finds same to be **GERMANE** in accordance with constitutional provisions.

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5 February 12, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

Respectfully submitted,

Cisco McSorley, Chairman

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has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS.** 

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