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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 80

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

INTRODUCED BY

CARLOS R. CISNEROS

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE TO REVIEW
PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE TEACHER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS TO
INCLUDE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAINING IN CULTURAL SENSITIVITY.

WHEREAS, fifty-three percent of the state's population is
classified by the United States census bureau as minority
population; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico has proportionally the highest minority
population of all states in the United States; and

WHEREAS, an appropriate education for New Mexico's diverse
and multicultural student body requires sensitivity and respect
of that diversity; and

WHEREAS, many states with smaller minority populations than
New Mexico, states such as South Dakota, Oklahoma, Wisconsin,
Oregon and Minnesota, require teachers to have training in

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1 multicultural education; and

2 WHEREAS, New Mexico has no multicultural training in any of
3 its teacher education curricula;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
5 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislative education study
6 committee be requested to review requirements for teacher
7 certification and, working with a multiculturally represented
8 committee, develop suggested curricula for multicultural
9 sensitivity training to be included in teacher education
10 programs; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislative education study
12 committee be requested to develop recommendations by December 1,
13 1996 to the legislature for legislation to require multicultural
14 sensitivity training as a qualification for teacher
15 certification; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
17 transmitted to members and the director of the legislative
18 education study committee.

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7 Mr. President:
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14 recommendation that it DO PASS.
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Absent: 0

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

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February 14, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 10 For 1 Against

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