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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION: PROVIDING FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF DISTRICTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. -- This act may be cited as the "Public Regulation Commission Apportionment Act".

Section 2. MEMBERSHIP. -- The public regulation commission is composed of five members to be elected from districts established by law.

RESIDENCE. -- At the time of filing a declaration Section 3. of candidacy for the office of public regulation commission member, a candidate shall reside in the district for which he files. If any elected member of the public regulation commission permanently removes his residence from or maintains no residence in the district from which he was elected, he shall

be deemed to have resigned and his successor shall be selected as provided in the Public Regulation Commission Apportionment Act.

Section 4. ELECTION--VACANCY.--

A. Members of the public regulation commission shall be elected for staggered four-year terms; provided that commission members elected at the 1998 general election shall classify themselves by lot so that two commission members shall initially serve terms of two years and three commission members shall serve terms of four years. Thereafter, all commission members shall serve four-year terms. After serving two terms, a commission member shall be ineligible to hold office as a commission member until one full term has intervened.

B. The governor shall by appointment fill vacancies on the public regulation commission. All appointments to fill vacancies on the public regulation commission shall be for a term ending on January 1 subsequent to the next general election at which election a person shall be elected to fill any remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 5. PRECINCTS. --

A. Designations and boundaries used in the Public Regulation Commission Apportionment Act are those precinct designations and boundaries established pursuant to the Precinct Boundary Adjustment Act and revised and approved by the secretary of state as of November 5, 1996.

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B. A board of county commissioners shall not create any precinct that lies in more than one public regulation commission district, nor shall any board of county commissioners divide any precinct so that the divided parts of the precinct are situated in two or more public regulation commission districts. Votes cast in any general, primary or other statewide election from precincts created or divided in violation of this subsection are invalid and shall not be counted or canvassed.

Section 6. PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION DISTRICT ONE. -Public regulation commission district one is composed of
Bernalillo county precincts 10 through 15, 18, 101 through 105,
107, 131 through 133, 196, 197, 211, 212, 214 through 217, 221,
223 through 226, 241 through 246, 251 through 256, 271 through
275, 278, 281 through 287, 289 through 308, 311 through 318, 321
through 323, 326 through 333, 341 through 347, 351 through 358,
371 through 375, 381 through 387, 400 through 446, 450 through
454, 461 through 466, 471 through 478, 480 through 500, 502
through 540, 542 through 550, 560 through 569, 601 and 602.

Section 7. PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION DISTRICT TWO.-Public regulation commission district two is composed of Chaves,
Colfax, Curry, De Baca, Guadalupe, Harding, Lea, Lincoln, Mora,
Quay, Roosevelt, San Miguel, Socorro, Taos, Torrance and Union
counties; Bernalillo county precincts 551 through 559; and Santa
Fe county precincts 16 through 19 and 73.

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Section 8. PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION DISTRICT THREE. --Public regulation commission district three is composed of San Juan, Rio Arriba, McKinley and Los Alamos counties; Sandoval county precincts 16 through 18, 21 through 27 and 52; and Santa Fe county precincts 1 through 14, 20 through 28, 30 through 33, 36, 38, 39, 41 through 62, 64, 66 through 72 and 74 through 79.

PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION DISTRICT FOUR. --Section 9. Public regulation commission district four is composed of Cibola and Valencia counties; Bernalillo county precincts 1 through 9, 11 through 14, 16, 17, 20 through 22, 24 through 55, 61 through 67, 71 through 77, 80 through 83, 85 through 88, 90 through 99, 106, 111, 112, 120 through 125, 135, 150 through 154, 161 through 166, 180 through 187, 191 through 195, 257 and 258; and Sandoval county precincts 1 through 15, 19, 20 and 28 through **50**.

Section 10. PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION DISTRICT FIVE. --Public regulation commission district five is composed of Catron, Dona Ana, Eddy, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Otero and Sierra counties.

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