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2	43rd LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998
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8	FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE
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10	A JOINT MEMORIAL
11	REQUESTING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO EXAMINE THE
12	FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AS
13	STATED IN THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR NEW MEXICO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
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15	WHEREAS, professional development means high quality,
16	ongoing training with intensive follow-up and support that is
17	designed to improve student achievement; and
18	WHEREAS, professional development should include
19	teachers, administrators, staff members, board members,
20	parents and community members; and
21	WHEREAS, since time and resources are critical for
22	professional development, school districts must examine how to
23	help educators improve subject-matter knowledge, enhance
24	professional skills, implement innovative instructional
25	approaches and discuss concepts and techniques among
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1 themselves; and

2 WHEREAS, the goal for professional development in the
3 strategic plan for New Mexico public schools is that
4 professional development for teachers, administrators and
5 other staff members will be implemented within a unified
6 systemic framework that will institutionalize a high-quality
7 dynamic program to support and enhance improved teacher,
8 administrator and staff capability; and

WHEREAS, professional development will lead to student achievement by preparing educators to accommodate changing environments, knowledge and learning strategies in the classroom of the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico state board of education be requested to examine the feasibility of creating a professional development council whose tasks will be to develop guidelines to implement the professional development goals and objectives in the strategic plan for New Mexico public schools and guidelines to provide a framework that includes guidelines for school districts to formulate longrange professional development plans that meet the needs of their schools and communities as defined in each school district's educational plans for student success and that improve student achievement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the professional development . 120779.2

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council include representatives from school districts, colleges of education, educational organizations, the state department of public education and community members; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state department of public education provide recommendations on the feasibility of creating a professional development council to the legislative education study committee no later than October 1, 1998; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be sent to the superintendent of public instruction and the director of the legislative education study committee for appropriate distribution. - 3 -[bracketed mterial] = delete . 120779. 2

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