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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 41

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

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**REQUESTING THAT A TASK FORCE BE ESTABLISHED TO DEVELOP AND
ANALYZE STRATEGIES AND RECOMMEND METHODS OF FUNDING A
STATEWIDE CLIMATE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS, weather and climate play extremely influential
and significant roles in the natural world, and knowledge of
climate and climatic processes is important to the health and
well-being of New Mexicans; and**

**WHEREAS, to meet the need for climatic knowledge, forty-
nine of the fifty United States have established an office of
state climatologist; and**

**WHEREAS, New Mexico is a leader in the use of climatic
information to improve agricultural production and assess the
effect of climate on the natural environment; and**

WHEREAS, the purpose of the office of state climatologist

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1 is to assist the state in understanding and responding to
2 natural and man-induced climatic processes and their
3 implications, to cooperate with the federal government in
4 activities relating to climate studies and advisory services
5 and to promote and disseminate a general knowledge of the
6 climatology of the state;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
8 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that a task force be created to develop
9 strategies to help New Mexico maintain leadership in the use
10 of climatic information to assess the effect of climate on the
11 natural environment, agricultural production, land and natural
12 resources and human health, and to make recommendations on key
13 issues, such as financing the collection and dissemination of
14 climatic information to educate the national population and
15 the tourist industry about the healthy and unique climate of
16 New Mexico that makes the state not only an exemplary place to
17 live and visit but also an ideal place to locate industry and
18 associated jobs; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force
20 include the state climatologist and be appointed by the dean
21 of the college of agriculture and home economics at New Mexico
22 state university; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
24 distributed to the dean of the college of agriculture and home
25 economics at New Mexico state university and to the state

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8 Mr. Speaker:

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10 Your ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE, to
11 whom has been referred

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

17 Respectfully submitted,

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22 James Roger Madalena, Chairman
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11 Yes: 9

12 No: Knowles

13 Excused: None

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Your CONSERVATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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Michael S. Sanchez, Chairman

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No: Davis

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