

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 79

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

INTRODUCED BY

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE NEW MEXICO ATTORNEY GENERAL LEAD AN EFFORT TO INVESTIGATE THE EXTENT TO WHICH DRUG DEALERS AND DRUG CARTELS HAVE INFILTRATED LIQUOR BUSINESSES IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, money laundering of the profits of drug trafficking is a serious matter in many New Mexico communities; and

WHEREAS, money generated by drug trafficking is being used to establish and operate liquor businesses that are licensed and regulated by local governments and the state of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the infiltration of drug cartels and drug dealers into liquor businesses is rapidly becoming a threat to the safety and health of New Mexico communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico attorney general be
2 requested to lead an effort to investigate the extent to which
3 drug dealers and drug cartels have infiltrated liquor
4 businesses in New Mexico; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the New Mexico attorney
6 general's office coordinate its efforts with the alcohol and
7 gaming division of the regulation and licensing department,
8 state and local government drug enforcement task forces and
9 the drug enforcement agency of the United States department of
10 justice; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the New Mexico attorney
12 general's office report the results of its investigation,
13 including any recommendations for legislative proposals, to an
14 interim committee with jurisdiction over criminal law matters
15 no later than October 31, 1998; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
17 sent to the New Mexico attorney general.

1 **FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**
2 **SECOND SESSION, 1998**

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5 **February 18, 1998**

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7 **Mr. Speaker:**

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

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

15 **Respectfully submitted,**

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20 **Thomas P. Foy, Chairman**

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4 Adopted _____ Not Adopted _____

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8 Date _____

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10 The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

11 Yes: 8

12 Excused: Alwin, Carpenter, Larranaga, Luna, Sanchez

13 Absent: None

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