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

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION TO  
REDESIGN ITS TEACHER'S CERTIFICATES.

WHEREAS, attorneys, physicians, accountants, architects  
and other professionals except teachers receive their  
credentials in a form that is suitable for framing; and

WHEREAS, even the occupations provide impressive looking  
documents; and

WHEREAS, they all can proudly display their certificates,  
licenses or registrations, but teachers receive as their  
professional credentials a small plain piece of typewritten  
white paper that is torn from a larger piece of plain white  
paper, with no fancy borders or embellished fonts; and

WHEREAS, a teacher's certificate is too big for a wallet  
but too small for framing, though it is the right size for

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1 losing in one's employment file; and

2 WHEREAS, if one's professional importance is judged by  
3 the type of certificate, license or registration one receives,  
4 teachers must rank at the bottom, which is not a very good  
5 message to send to people who are so important to the lives of  
6 our families and the futures of our children;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
8 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state  
9 department of public education be requested to redesign  
10 teacher's certificates to more properly convey the stature of  
11 the job and send the message that teachers are as important as  
12 the other professionals licensed in this state; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
14 transmitted to the state department of public education.

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6 February 9, 1998  
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8 Mr. Speaker:  
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10 Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred  
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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with  
15 recommendation that it DO PASS.  
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17 Respectfully submitted,  
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21 Rick Miera, Chairman  
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10 The roll call vote was 6 For 1 Against

11 Yes: 6

12 No: Mallory

13 Excused: Beam, Nicely, Trujillo-Knauer, Vigil, W.C. Williams, Wright

14 Absent: None

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