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SENATE BILL 162

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

INTRODUCED BY

Sue F. Wilson

FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING; CLARIFYING THE
MEMBERSHIP AND APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMISSION FOR DEAF AND
HARD-OF-HEARING PERSONS.

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

Section 1. Section 28-11B-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1991,
Chapter 72, Section 1) is amended to read:

"28-11B-1. COMMISSION FOR DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING
PERSONS CREATED. --

A. There is created the "commission for deaf and
hard-of-hearing persons", consisting of seven members, a
majority of whom [~~shall be~~] are deaf or hard-of-hearing
persons, including three ex-officio members and four members
appointed by the governor without regard for party
affiliation, with the advice and consent of the senate.

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1 [Initially, three members shall be appointed for terms ending
2 December 31, 1993, two members for terms ending December 31,
3 1995 and two members for terms ending December 31, 1997.
4 Thereafter, appointments] Terms of appointed members shall be
5 for six years, expiring on December 31 of odd-numbered years,
6 in accordance with the staggered terms of the appointed
7 members holding office on the effective date of this 1999
8 amendment.

9 B. [~~Appointments shall include~~] Ex-officio
10 members are:

11 (1) the president of the New Mexico
12 association for the deaf or his designee;

13 (2) the superintendent of the New Mexico
14 school for the deaf or his designee; and

15 [~~(3) a parent of a deaf or hard-of-hearing~~
16 ~~child;~~

17 (4)] (3) the director of the vocational
18 rehabilitation division of the state department of public
19 education or his designee who shall be knowledgeable in the
20 area of deafness.

21 C. Appointed members are:

22 (1) a parent of a deaf or hard-of-hearing
23 child;

24 [~~(5)~~] (2) a professional person who is deaf
25 or hard of hearing;

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8 Mr. President:
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10 Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been
11 referred
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15 has had it under consideration and reports same with
16 recommendation that it DO PASS.
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19 Respectfully submitted,
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25 Shannon Robinson, Chairman

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10 The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

11 Yes: 5

12 No: 0

13 Excused: Feldman, Garcia, Stockard, Smith

14 Absent: None

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