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SENATE BILL 437

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

INTRODUCED BY

Cisco McSorley

FOR THE COURTS, CORRECTIONS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF TIME FOR A PARTY TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR AN INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL; REMOVING THE DEADLINE FOR COURT ACTION ON APPLICATION FOR AN INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978.

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

Section 1. Section 39-3-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971, Chapter 40, Section 1) is amended to read:

"39-3-4. INTERLOCUTORY ORDER APPEALS FROM DISTRICT COURT. --

A. In any civil action or special statutory proceeding in the district court, when the district judge makes an interlocutory order or decision which does not practically dispose of the merits of the action and he believes the order or decision involves a controlling question

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1 of law as to which there is substantial ground for difference  
2 of opinion and that an immediate appeal from the order or  
3 decision may materially advance the ultimate termination of  
4 the litigation, he shall so state in writing in the order or  
5 decision.

6 B. The supreme court or court of appeals has  
7 jurisdiction over an appeal from such an interlocutory order  
8 or decision, as appellate jurisdiction may be vested in  
9 ~~[these]~~ those courts. Within ~~[ten]~~ fifteen days after entry  
10 of the order or decision, any party aggrieved may file with  
11 the clerk of the supreme court or court of appeals an  
12 application for an order allowing an appeal, accompanied by a  
13 copy of the interlocutory order or decision. [ ~~If an~~  
14 ~~application has not been acted upon within twenty days, it~~  
15 ~~shall be deemed denied.~~ ]

16 C. Application under this section for an order  
17 allowing appeal does not stay proceedings in the district  
18 court unless so ordered by the district judge or a judge or  
19 justice of the court to which application is made. "

20 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. --The effective date of the  
21 provisions of this act is July 1, 1999.

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10 Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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15 recommendation that it DO PASS.

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9 The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

10 Yes: 5

11 No: None

12 Excused: Sanchez, Stockard, Tsosie

13 Absent: None

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The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

Excused: Godbey, Luna, T. Taylor, Thompson, Sanchez

Absent: None

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