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SENATE BILL 674

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

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE
NAMES OF VOTERS REQUESTING ASSISTANCE BE NOTED IN THE
SIGNATURE ROSTER.

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

Section 1. Section 1-12-13 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1969,
Chapter 240, Section 266, as amended) is amended to read:

"1-12-13. CONDUCT OF ELECTION--AID OR ASSISTANCE TO
VOTER IN MARKING BALLOT.--

A. When a voter who is eligible for assistance
pursuant to Section 1-12-12 NMSA 1978 requires assistance in
marking his paper ballot or recording his vote by voting
machine, the voter shall announce this fact in an audible tone
before receiving his paper ballot or before entering the
voting machine.

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~~[B. The voter's request for assistance shall be noted by his name in the signature roster and initialed by the presiding judge.]~~

~~C. After noting the request for assistance in the signature roster,]~~

B. The voter shall be permitted assistance in marking his paper ballot or recording his vote as provided in Section 1-12-15 NMSA 1978.

~~[D.]~~ C. Any person who swears falsely in order to secure assistance is guilty of perjury. "