1	HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 77
2	44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999
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10	A JOINT MEMORIAL
11	REQUESTING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AND THE
12	LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE TO WORK JOINTLY WITH THE
13	COLLEGES OF EDUCATION AT ALL NEW MEXICO HIGHER EDUCATIONAL
14	INSTITUTIONS TO PREPARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR TEACHERS IN
15	THE AREAS OF CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND NEW MEXICO HISTORY.
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17	WHEREAS, there is a need in New Mexico to promote cultural diversity and New
18	Mexico history in our teacher curriculum and classroom curriculum; and
19	WHEREAS, the majority of New Mexico institutions of higher education already
20	include at least one course in cultural diversity in their education programs; and
21	WHEREAS, courses in cultural diversity should be required for teacher certification
22	and re-certification; and
23 24	WHEREAS, all education licensure, new and renewal, should include multicultural
24 25	competency; and
25	WHEREAS, developing licensure and re-licensure requirements for teachers who have
	completed appropriate educational training in cultural diversity, including New Mexico history

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and culture, would ensure that students are also acquiring knowledge in cultural diversity and New Mexico history;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state department of public education and the legislative
education study committee work jointly with the colleges of education at all higher educational
institutions and with representatives from New Mexico's diverse populations to prepare
licensure requirements for teachers in the areas of cultural diversity and New Mexico history;
and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that once all higher educational institutions offer
10 courses in cultural diversity and New Mexico history that include training in diverse learning
11 styles and appropriate teaching strategies, all teacher applicants for renewal of teacher
12 certification by the state board of education shall be required to demonstrate that they have
13 taken a minimum of two courses in cultural diversity, one of which shall be a course in New
14 Mexico cultural history, and that these courses shall include the content and competencies
15 recommended by diverse educators and shall be approved by the state board of education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the state department of public education, the commission or higher education and the boards of regents of all higher educational institutions that provide a college of education.

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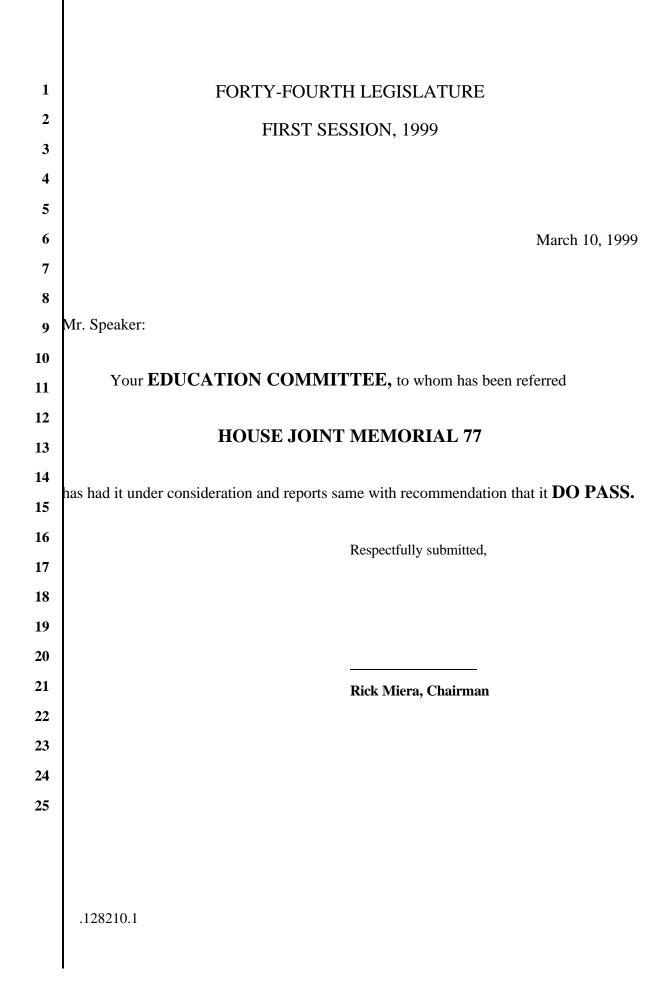
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