

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 7

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS TO STUDY
THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL MAGISTRATE
DIVISION IN RIO ARRIBA COUNTY.

WHEREAS, there are currently two magistrates located in
Rio Arriba magistrate district; and

WHEREAS, the two magistrates in Rio Arriba county
operate divisions 1 and 2 as a single district court in
Española; and

WHEREAS, the two Rio Arriba county magistrates rotate a
riding circuit to Chama; and

WHEREAS, the magistrate case load in Rio Arriba county
has undergone a substantial increase; and

WHEREAS, the increased magistrate case load has made it
difficult for the two magistrates to provide regular services
to the northern segment of Rio Arriba county; and

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