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HOUSE BILL 663

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING POWER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO CLOSE HIGHWAYS IN EMERGENCIES.

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

Section 1. Section 66-7-11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1987, Chapter 280, Section 1) is amended to read:

"66-7-11. [~~NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE~~] DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY POWER TO CLOSE CERTAIN HIGHWAYS IN EMERGENCIES.--

Notwithstanding any rule [~~regulation~~] or agreement of the [~~state highway~~] department of transportation, the [~~New Mexico state police~~] department of public safety, in cases of emergency where the condition of a state highway presents a substantial danger to vehicular travel by reason of storm, fire, accident, spillage of hazardous materials or other unusual or dangerous conditions, may close [~~such~~] the highway

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1 to vehicular travel until [~~the New Mexico state police~~] it
2 determines otherwise. The [~~state highway~~] department of
3 transportation shall be notified of the highway closure as soon
4 as practicable."

5 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
6 provisions of this act is July 1, 2005.

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