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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO STUDY THE  
FEASIBILITY OF MARKETING NEW MEXICO'S DISTANCE LEARNING  
PROGRAM TO OTHER STATES.

WHEREAS, New Mexico is expanding distance learning  
opportunities for students across our geographically large  
state; and

WHEREAS, distance learning expands the classroom for  
New Mexico's best teachers and allows more students to take  
advantage of the skills those outstanding teachers have to  
offer; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico has a wealth of expertise outside  
the classroom, especially in the areas of math and science,  
as the state is home to two national laboratories; and

WHEREAS, students in other states would benefit from the  
knowledge and skills that New Mexico teachers and scientists  
have to offer; and

WHEREAS, it is possible that states with less-developed  
distance learning programs or infrastructure would be willing  
to pay the state of New Mexico for distance learning  
services, and such revenue could be used to compensate  
New Mexico teachers better and to improve the state's  
distance learning program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the public education department be  
2 requested to study the feasibility and revenue possibilities  
3 of marketing New Mexico's distance learning program to other  
4 states and that it report its findings to the legislative  
5 education study committee prior to the second session of the  
6 forty-eighth legislature; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
8 transmitted to the secretary of public education. \_\_\_\_\_

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