

1 A MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
3 DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON HOW THE STATE MAY BEST
4 REQUIRE ASSURANCES FOR WIND TURBINE DECOMMISSIONING.

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6 WHEREAS, in 2017, the American wind energy association
7 ranked New Mexico as the nation's fastest-growing state for
8 wind energy construction; and

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
10 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the energy, minerals and natural
11 resources department be requested to study how the state may
12 best require assurances for the decommissioning of wind
13 turbines; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the energy, minerals and
15 natural resources department be requested to work with
16 stakeholders, including the state land office, the federal
17 bureau of land management, representatives of the wind energy
18 industry, representatives of New Mexico counties and other
19 interested parties, in undertaking the study; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the energy, minerals and
21 natural resources department be requested to present the
22 findings of its study to the interim legislative committee
23 that studies energy issues by November 1, 2019; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
25 transmitted to the secretary of energy, minerals and natural

1 resources and the co-chairs of the New Mexico legislative

2 council. _____

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