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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT number 1 to SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL
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Amendment sponsored by Senator *Ivey Soto*

1. On page 15, line 23, after the period, insert "No person shall serve as a messenger unless the person would also meet the requirements to be a challenger, watcher or election observer pursuant to Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection C of Section 1-2-22 NMSA 1978."
2. On page 24, line 17, strike "ten" and insert in lieu thereof "sixteen".
3. On page 24, line 21, strike "ten" and insert in lieu thereof "sixteen".
4. On page 25, line 1, strike "ten" and insert in lieu thereof "sixteen".
5. On page 25, line 12, strike "ten" and insert in lieu thereof "sixteen".
6. On page 27, line 15, strike "ten" and insert in lieu thereof "sixteen".
7. On page 66, line 11, after "clerk", insert "; provided that no county clerk or deputy county clerk shall perform the verification process pursuant to this subsection unless the county clerk or deputy county clerk would also meet the requirements to be a challenger, watcher or election observer pursuant to Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection C of Section 1-2-22 NMSA 1978".
8. On page 72, line 5, after the period, insert "Official

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mailing envelopes shall not be opened or separated from the inner envelopes until the absent voter election board's confirmation of the county clerk's verification process has been completed."

9. On page 76, line 12, after "any", insert "challenger or" and strike "or observer".

10. On page 138, line 18, strike "either" and after "with", insert "either".

11. On pages 221 through 227, strike Sections 118 through 122 in their entirety.

12. On page 236, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following new section:

"SECTION 125. Section 73-20-37 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1965, Chapter 137, Section 11, as amended) is amended to read:

"73-20-37. DISTRICT SUPERVISORS--ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT--NEW DISTRICTS.--

A. The governing body of a district shall be composed of five supervisors who shall be residents of the district and shall be elected pursuant to the provisions of the Local Election Act; provided, however, that two additional supervisors may be appointed to the governing body of each district by the commission in accordance with the provisions of the Soil and Water Conservation District Act. Four elected supervisor positions of each district shall be filled by landowners within the defined geographical area of their district. One elected supervisor position shall be designated supervisor-at-large, and the supervisor filling that position may serve the district without landowner qualification.

B. In the first election of supervisors to serve a newly organized district, two supervisors shall be elected for terms of

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four years and three supervisors shall be elected for terms of two years. Thereafter, each elected supervisor shall serve a term of four years and shall continue in office until a successor has been elected or appointed and has completed an oath of office. A vacant unexpired term of the office of an elected supervisor shall be filled by appointment by the remaining supervisors of the district. Two or more vacant unexpired terms occurring simultaneously in the same district shall be filled by appointment by the commission.

C. ~~[Appointed interim supervisors may]~~ A supervisor appointed to fill a vacancy in an elected position shall continue to serve [as appointed supervisors] until [their successors are] a successor is elected at the next local election pursuant to the Local Election Act."

13. On page 236, line 22, strike "2022" and insert in lieu thereof "2023".

14. On page 241, line 24, strike "2022" and insert in lieu thereof "2023".

15. On page 242, line 8, strike "2022" and insert in lieu thereof "2023".

16. On page 245, line 1, strike "73-14-20, 73-14-20.1, 73-14-22,".

17. On page 245, line 3, strike "and" and insert in lieu thereof a comma and after "73-18-43", insert ", 73-20-23 and 73-20-39".

18. On page 245, lines 9 through 11, strike "Laws 1975, Chapter 262, Section 3; Laws 1990, Chapter 48, Section 1; Laws 1975, Chapter 262, Section 5;".

19. On page 245, line 13, strike "and".

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20. On page 245, line 14, after "19", insert "; Laws 1957, Chapter 210, Section 22; and Laws 1965, Chapter 137, Section 13".

21. Renumber sections to correspond to these amendments.

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(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date _____