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SENATE BILL 775

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

INTRODUCED BY

TIMOTHY Z. JENNINGS

AN ACT

RELATING TO GAMING; CREATING A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A TRIBAL-STATE PARTNERSHIP FOR OPERATING AND

REGULATING GAMING ACTIVITIES; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING

AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. TASK FORCE CREATED--MEMBERSHIP--DUTIES.--

A. The "gaming task force" is created. In creating this body, it is the intent of the legislature that a forum for discussion and negotiation of the complex issues of tribal and nontribal gaming will provide a much-needed deliberative process that can benefit all of the citizens of the state.

B. The gaming task force consists of seven members. In appointing a member, the appointing authority shall select individuals who have demonstrated expertise in the subject of

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gaming. Members shall be appointed as follows:

- (1) two citizens, one of whom shall be a member of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo, to be appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate;
- (2) two citizens, one of whom shall be a member of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
- (3) two citizens, one of whom shall be a member of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate; and
- (4) one citizen to be appointed by majority vote of the other six members of the task force.
- C. The gaming task force shall elect one of its members as chairman and shall meet at the call of the chairman or at the request of a majority of the members.
- D. The gaming task force shall exist until the first day of the first session of the forty-third legislature in January 1997, on which date it shall terminate.
- E. The gaming task force shall make a report with recommendations for proposed legislation, if any, to the first session of the forty-third legislature.
- F. The gaming task force shall study and deliberate to develop a gaming activities plan for the state that shall provide for state and tribal sharing in the conduct and regulation of and the revenue from both tribal and nontribal

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gaming activities with the objective of providing strictly regulated gaming that will produce funds to be used for economic development, fulfilling both tribal and state interests.

Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council service for expenditure in the 1996 and 1997 fiscal years to pay the expenses incurred for the activities of the gaming task force. Staff for the task force shall be provided by the legislative council service. Members of the task force shall be reimbursed for attendance at meetings of the task force pursuant to the provisions of the Per Diem and Mileage Act. unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1997 shall revert to the general fund.

Section 2. EMERGENCY. -- It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE **SECOND SESSION, 1996**

JANUARY 31, 1996

Mr. President:

Your **COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, PURSUANT TO CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS, and thence referred to the **INDIAN AND** CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

SENATOR MANNY M ARAGON, Chairman

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FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 7, 1996

Mr. President:

Your INDIAN & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, and thence referred to the **SELECT GAMING COMMITTEE**.

Respectfully submitted,

John Pinto, Chairman

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