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SENATE BILL 570

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

RICHARD M ROMERO

AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR
TUITION WAIVERS AT CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR STUDENTS
WHO WERE IN FOSTER CARE.

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

Section 1. TUITION WAIVER AUTHORIZED-- CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL
INSTITUTIONS. --

A. The board of regents of the university of New
Mexico, New Mexico state university, New Mexico institute of
mining and technology, western New Mexico university, eastern
New Mexico university, New Mexico highlands university and New
Mexico military institute and the governing boards of New Mexico
junior college, community colleges and technical and vocational
institutes shall waive tuition charges:

(1) for a child who was in foster care at the

1 time he reached the age of majority or was emancipated; provided
2 the child is enrolled in the institution no later than the third
3 anniversary of the date his foster care was terminated, and he
4 remains in good standing during his attendance at the
5 institution; or

6 (2) for a child who enrolls in the institution
7 while in foster care and remains in good standing during his
8 attendance at the institution.

9 B. For purposes of this section, "foster care"
10 includes the following:

11 (1) a foster home, licensed by the children,
12 youth and families department or licensed by a private agency
13 authorized by the children, youth and families department to
14 issue licenses, that is maintained by an individual having the
15 care and control, for periods exceeding twenty-four hours, of a
16 child who is abused, neglected, dependent or homeless and who is
17 not placed for adoption;

18 (2) the home of a relative or guardian where a
19 child in the custody of the children, youth and families
20 department is placed; and

21 (3) the semi-independent living program
22 approved by the children, youth and families department.

23 C. In determining budget and revenue calculations,
24 the commission on higher education shall not take credit for
25 tuition money a university does not receive as a result of a

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1 foster care tuition waiver.

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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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13 has had it under consideration and reports same with
14 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
15 PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.
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17 Respectfully submitted,
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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: 0

Excused: Boitano, Duran, Gorham, Maloof

Absent: None

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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been
10 referred

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15 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
16 FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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Yes: 6

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Excused: Aragon, Campos, Carraro, Ingle, McKibben

Absent: None

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