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SENATE BILL 715
43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997
INTRODUCED BY
RICHARD M ROMERO

AN ACT
RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; CREATING A STUDENT RETENTION
OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. ~~STUDENT RETENTION OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE--~~
~~CREATION-- TERMINATION.~~ --The "student retention oversight task
force" is created. The task force shall function from the date
of its appointment until the first day of December prior to the
first session of the forty-fourth legislature.

Section 2. ~~MEMBERSHIP-- APPOINTMENT-- VACANCIES.~~ --

A. The student retention oversight task force shall
be composed of six legislative members; six public advisory
members, two of whom shall be graduates of or current students
at an alternative high school in the state; and one
representative from the state department of public education.

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1 B. Three members of the house of representatives
2 shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of
3 representatives and three members of the senate shall be
4 appointed by the committees' committee of the senate or, if the
5 senate appointments are made in the interim, by the president
6 pro tempore of the senate after consultation with and the
7 agreement of a majority of the members of the committees'
8 committee. Members shall be appointed from each house so as to
9 give the two major political parties in each house the same
10 proportional representation on the task force as prevails in
11 each house; however, in no event shall either party have less
12 than one member from each house on the task force. Vacancies on
13 the task force shall be filled by appointment in the same manner
14 as the original appointments.

15 C. So as to represent the state's ethnic and
16 geographic diversity, three public advisory members shall be
17 appointed to the task force by the speaker of the house of
18 representatives and three public advisory members shall be
19 appointed to the task force by the president pro tempore of the
20 senate. The public members of the task force shall be paid per
21 diem and mileage in accordance with the provisions of the Per
22 Diem and Mileage Act plus reimbursement for reasonable actual
23 expenses.

24 D. The task force shall also include one advisory
25 member representing the state department of public education

1 appointed by the president of the state board of education.

2 E. The speaker of the house of representatives and
3 the president pro tempore of the senate shall each designate one
4 co-chairman of the task force.

5 Section 3. DUTIES. --

6 A. After its appointment, the student retention
7 oversight task force shall hold one organizational meeting to
8 develop a work plan and budget for the ensuing interim. The
9 work plan and budget shall be submitted to the New Mexico
10 legislative council for approval.

11 B. Upon approval of the work plan and budget by the
12 legislative council, the task force shall oversee the
13 implementation of the legislative directives relating to the
14 student retention, including:

15 (1) the reasons that students leave school
16 prior to graduation from high school;

17 (2) the effectiveness of current student
18 retention programs; and

19 (3) development of other programs and methods
20 to improve the student retention rate.

21 C. The task force shall recommend legislation or
22 changes if any are found to be necessary to the legislature.

23 Section 4. REPORT. -- The student retention oversight task
24 force shall make a report of its findings and recommendations
25 for the consideration of the second session of the forty-third

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1 legislature and for the first session of the forty-fourth
2 legislature. The reports and suggested legislation shall be
3 made available to the New Mexico legislative council on or
4 before December 15 preceding each session.

5 Section 5. STAFF.--The staff for the student retention
6 oversight task force shall be provided by the legislative
7 council service.

8 Section 6. APPROPRIATION.--Twenty thousand dollars
9 (\$20,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
10 legislature council service for expenditure in fiscal year 1998
11 for the purpose of paying the salaries and expenses of
12 technical, legal and clerical staff; for purchasing equipment
13 and supplies; and for reimbursing the per diem and mileage
14 expenses of the student retention oversight task force members.
15 Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of
16 fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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14 recommendation that it DO NOT PASS, but that
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19 DO PASS, and thence referred to the FINANCE COMMITTEE.
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Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 4 For 2 Against

Yes: 4

No: Lopez, Nava

Excused: Boitano, Duran, Gorham, Maloof

Absent: None

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14 student attendance and graduation, including development of a
15 method to allocate the funds which each school district receives
16 under the state equalization guarantee to create incentives to
17 improve the student attendance and graduation rate.

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19 if any are found to be necessary to the legislature.

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11 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to
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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation
15 that it DO PASS, amended as follows:
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17 1. On page 1, line 12 strike "; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION".
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19 2. On page 4, strike lines 4 through 12, Section 6 in its
20 entirety.
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Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: None

Excused: Aragon, Carraro, Eisenstadt, Ingle, McKibben

Absent: None

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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT number _____ to SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL
715, as amended

Amendment sponsored by Senator Richard M. Romero

1. On page 2, line 16, strike "three" and insert in lieu thereof "six".

2. On page 2, lines 17 through 20, strike "to the task force by the speaker of the house of representatives and three public advisory members shall be appointed to the task force by the president pro tempore of the senate" and insert in lieu thereof "by the governor".

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

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March 17, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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SENATE BILL 715, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

Yes: 8

Excused: Beam, Miera, Nicely, Trujillo, S.M Williams

Absent: None

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