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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 74

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

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION CONDUCT  
A STUDY TO DETERMINE HOW TO ADDRESS THE STUDENT DROPOUT PROBLEM  
AND TO OBJECTIVELY DEFINE ZERO TOLERANCE.

WHEREAS, students who drop out of school do not have  
alternative educational opportunities available to them; and

WHEREAS, school districts should direct money towards  
creating alternative educational opportunities for student  
dropouts; and

WHEREAS, students are expelled or suspended pursuant to a  
subjective definition of zero tolerance; and

WHEREAS, a student has the right to understand clearly the  
basis for expulsion or suspension;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state department of public

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1 education study options to keep students from dropping out of  
2 the public school system; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state department of public  
4 education shall define zero tolerance; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
6 transmitted to the state department of public education and to  
7 the state board of education.

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# **State of New Mexico House of Representatives**

**FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST SESSION, 1997**

**March 10, 1997**

**Mr. Speaker:**

**Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred**

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

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman**

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Yes: 11

Excused: McSherry, Nicely

Absent: None

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10 Mr. President:

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Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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13 Excused: Boitano, Duran, Garcia, Gorham

14 Absent: None

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