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SENATE BILL 400

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

TIMOTHY Z. JENNINGS

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE.

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

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1 FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

2 SECOND SESSION, 1998

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6 February 13, 1998

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with
15 recommendation that it DO NOT PASS, but that

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18 SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

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21 DO PASS, and thence referred to the COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE.

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23 Respectfully submitted,

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Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: None

Excused: Carraro, Eisenstadt, Ingle, Lyons, McKibben

Absent: None

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SENATE INDIAN AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL 392

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
PROVIDING FOR FAIR DISTRIBUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING;
PROVIDING STANDARDS FOR A FORMULA.

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

Section 1. SHORT TITLE. -- This act may be cited as the
"Higher Education Funding Act".

Section 2. PURPOSE. -- The purposes of the Higher
Education Funding Act are:

A. to distribute higher education funding equitably
among post-secondary institutions receiving state funding in
New Mexico by increasing funding to those post-secondary
institutions that receive less than the state average in
funding per student; and

B. to ensure that all post-secondary institutions

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can recruit and retain high quality personnel and provide appropriate regional programming.

Section 3. DEFINITIONS. -- As used in the Higher Education Funding Act, "post-secondary institution" means a two- or four-year college or university or a vocational or technical school located in New Mexico that receives operating funds from the state.

Section 4. FUNDING FORMULA STANDARDS. --

A. All post-secondary institutions shall receive equal distribution of state funds for operational, academic and other program expenses based on a formula to be developed by the commission on higher education that provides equivalent funding per enrolled student.

B. Post-secondary institutions, the personnel of which receive salaries that fall below the regional average salary level, shall be identified by the commission on higher education. The commission shall report to the legislative education study committee on salary disparities among post-secondary institution staff and the amount of funding that would be required to raise salaries at those post-secondary institutions to the regional average.

C. The legislative education study committee shall review the distribution of funds pursuant to the formula developed by the commission on higher education to determine that the distributions are equitable and nondiscriminatory.

D. Post-secondary institutions shall cooperate with the commission on higher education in providing data requested by that commission for its review of salaries and per-student

1 funding in a uniform manner so that the data can be compared and
2 analyzed.

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FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION, 1998

February 15, 1998

Mr. President:

Your COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL 400

has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, in
accordance with constitutional provisions, and further recommends
that it now be referred to the PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE thence
to the FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

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Manny M. Aragon, Chairman

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