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## A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE, THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SERVICE, THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION AND THE TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT TO SUPPORT AND COOPERATE WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THE STUDY OF CAPITAL OUTLAY NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, during the past five legislative sessions the legislature has demonstrated interest in or support of a study of capital outlay needs in the public schools; and

WHEREAS, funds appropriated by the legislature for a capital outlay study during the 1995, 1997 and 1998 regular sessions were vetoed by the governor; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive study of the capital outlay needs of the public schools in New Mexico is essential to

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identify specific needs and to ensure the equitable
distribution of capital outlay funds; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive study of capital outlay needs would include development of guidelines and standards, an inventory and assessment of school facilities and infrastructure, cost estimates for repair, renovation and modernization of existing facilities, an estimate of future facility needs and sources of revenues and would cost approximately six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000); and

WHEREAS, using two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) in special projects funds, the state board of education has begun a study of limited scope that can serve as a preliminary indepth study of a representative sample of school districts in the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislative education study committee, the legislative finance committee, the legislative council service, the department of finance and administration and the taxation and revenue department be requested to support the state department of public education and each contribute resources equal to approximately one-fifth of the estimated costs of the project in the study of capital outlay needs of the school districts in New Mexico to ensure that sufficient information is provided to complete the study; and

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the superintendent of public

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instruction and the secretaries of finance and administration and taxation and revenue report to the legislative finance committee and the legislative education study committee results of the study by December 1, 1998; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the directors of the legislative education study committee, the legislative finance committee and the legislative council service; the secretaries of finance and administration and taxation and revenue; and to the superintendent of public instruction.

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