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HOUSE BILL 907

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1995

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

CREATING A JOINT INTERIM PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE

CREATED--TERMINATION.--There is created a joint interim

"public school transportation task force". The task force

shall function from the date of its appointment until the

first day of December prior to the second session of the

forty-second legislature.

Section 2. MEMBERSHIP--APPOINTMENT--VACANCIES.--The task force shall be composed of twelve members. The legislative council shall appoint four members from the house of representatives, four members from the senate and four public members. At the time of making the appointment, the

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legislative council shall designate the chairman and vice chairman of the task force. Members shall be appointed from each house so as to give the two major political parties in each house the same proportionate representation on the task force as prevails in each house; provided, in no event shall either of the parties have less than one member from each house on the task force. Members may be removed from the task force by the legislative council, at the request of the task force chairman, for nonattendance according to council policy. Vacancies on the task force, however caused, may be filled by the legislative council, or the council may reduce the size of the task force by not making replacement appointments and in such case need not readjust party representation.

No action shall be taken by the task force if a majority of the total membership from either house on the task force rejects such action.

Section 3. DUTIES.--After its appointment, the task force shall hold one organizational meeting to develop a workplan and budget for the ensuing interim. The workplan and budget shall be submitted to the legislative council for approval. Upon approval of the workplan and budget by the legislative council, the task force shall examine the statutes, constitutional provisions, regulations and court decisions governing public school transportation in New Mexico, including those provisions related to the

transportation funding formula, the school bus inspection program, transportation costs and the administration of the public school transportation program, and shall recommend legislation or changes if any are found to be necessary to the second session of the forty-second legislature.

Section 4. SUBCOMMITTEES.--Subcommittees shall be created only by majority vote of all members appointed to the task force and with the prior approval of the legislative council. A subcommittee shall be composed of at least one member from the senate and one member from the house of representatives, and at least one member of the minority party shall be a member of the subcommittee. All meetings and expenditures of a subcommittee shall be approved by the full task force in advance of such meeting or expenditure, and the approval shall be shown in the minutes of the task force.

Section 5. REPORT.--The task force shall make a report of its findings and recommendations for the consideration of the second session of the forty-second legislature. The report and suggested legislation shall be made available to the legislative council on or before December 1 preceding that session.

Section 6. STAFF.--The staff for the task force shall be provided by the legislative council service in conjunction with the legislative finance committee and the legislative education study committee.

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Section 7. APPROPRIATION.--For the purpose of paying the salaries and expenses of the technical, legal, clerical and stenographic assistants or consultants, for necessary equipment and supplies used in carrying out the provisions of this act and for reimbursing the per diem and mileage expenses of the task force, there is appropriated to the legislative council service from the general fund the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). All or any part of this appropriation may be expended in fiscal years 1995 and 1996, and any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1996 shall revert to the general fund. Payments from the appropriation shall be made upon vouchers signed by the director of the legislative council service or his authorized representative.

Section 8. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION, 1995

March 3, 1995

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, amended as follows:

- 1. On page 4, strike Section 7 in its entirety.
- 2. Renumber succeeding section accordingly.,

and thence referred to the APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Adopted (Chief Clerk)

Date 3/6/95

Samuel F. Vigil, Chairmán

(Chief Clerk)

The roll call vote was 10 For 0 Against

Yes: 10

Excused: Nicely, Weeks

Absent: none

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION, 1995

March 8, 1995

Mr. Speaker:

Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 907, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 12, strike "MAKING AN APPROPRIATION;".

Respectfully submitted,

Max Coll, Chairman

Adopted

Not Adopted

(Chief Clerk)

Date

The roll call vote was <u>11</u> For <u>0</u> Against

Yes: 1

Excused:

Buffett, Coll, Knowles, Light, Picraux, Reyes, Salazar

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