

**H 909 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN AND FRATERNAL
ORDER OF POLICE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES**

April 6, 2001

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 108

I have this day VETOED and am returning HOUSE BILL 909 enacted by the Forty-Fifth Legislature, First Session, 2001.

This bill requires the state Motor Vehicle Division to issue a special license plate to any person who is a New Mexico emergency medical technician, other emergency personnel, or a New Mexico member of the fraternal order of police so long as an additional fee of \$25 is paid to the division. As I have stated previously, I am generally opposed to the creation of special license plates for New Mexico's motor vehicles, except when they provide information to other motorists and law enforcement that the driver may require special consideration in emergency situations, such as firefighters. Although this exception would apply to EMTs, I do not believe it necessary to provide special plates to fraternal organizations of public servants such as police.

H 915 ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT ACT

April 6, 2001

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 97

I have this day VETOED and am returning HOUSE BILL 915, as amended, enacted by the Forty-Fifth Legislature, First Session, 2001.

This bill would create an Adult Services Department to administer state services to seniors and other adults. Creation of a new government agency would only serve to add another layer of bureaucracy and fragment the delivery of social services, especially Medicaid. The state already provides state-of-the-art, cost effective programs for New Mexico's needy citizens, we need not interfere with the high quality of services already provided.