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REPRESENTATIVE JEFF STEINBORN AND REPRESENTATIVE EMILY KANE
AND REPRESENTATIVE STEPHANIE GARCIA RICHARD AND
REPRESENTATIVE NATHAN "NATE" COTE AND
REPRESENTATIVE ELIZABETH "LIZ" THOMSON AND
REPRESENTATIVE RODOLPHO S. MARTINEZ



AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE NEW MEXICO HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 A MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE NEW MEXICO WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE
3 AT NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE UTTON TRANSBOUNDARY
4 RESOURCES CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO ASSESS BEST
5 CONSERVATION PRACTICES FOR NEW MEXICO'S WATER RESOURCES.
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7 WHEREAS, the ongoing drought in New Mexico has
8 demonstrated the need to understand the most efficient methods
9 for using water in all sectors of water use; and

10 WHEREAS, new sources of water are limited and expensive
11 to develop, leaving water conservation as the most practical
12 method for extending existing water supplies; and

13 WHEREAS, different approaches to the conservation of
14 water may result in unforeseen consequences, both legal and
15 practical; and

16 WHEREAS, the New Mexico water resources research
17 institute at New Mexico state university has considerable
18 expertise in the technical aspects of water conservation; and


19 WHEREAS, the Utton transboundary resources center at the
20 university of New Mexico school of law has considerable
21 expertise in the legal and policy aspects of water
22 conservation;


23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
24 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that in the event
25 the funding in Senate Bill 179 and Senate Bill 223 are enacted

1 into law, the New Mexico water resources research institute
2 and the Utton transboundary resources center conduct an in-
3 depth analysis of water conservation best practices in all
4 water use sectors of the state; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the results of the analysis
6 be jointly documented and the results reported to the
7 legislature at the first session of the fifty-second
8 legislature; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
10 transmitted to the New Mexico water resources research
11 institute and the Utton transboundary resources center.
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W. KEN MARTINEZ, SPEAKER
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