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Introduced by

SENATOR WILLIAM F. BURT
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AN ACT

RELATING TO MILITARY BASE PLANNING AND SUPPORT; REVISING THE
APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY AND MAKEUP OF THE OFFICE OF MILITARY
BASE PLANNING AND SUPPORT AND THE MILITARY BASE PLANNING
COMMISSION; REPEALING SECTION 9-15-51 NMSA 1978 (BEING
LAWS 2003, CHAPTER 166, SECTION 4, AS AMENDED).

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

SECTION 1. Section 9-15-48 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,
Chapter 166, Section 1 and Laws 2003, Chapter 170, Section 1,
as amended) is amended to read:

"9-15-48. OFFICE OF MILITARY BASE PLANNING AND SUPPORT
CREATED--DUTIES.--

A. The "office of military base planning and
support" is created, which is administratively attached to
the economic development department. The department shall
provide administrative services to the office.

B. The governor shall appoint a director of the
office of military base planning and support.

C. The director of the office of military base
planning and support shall:

(1) employ, under the authorization of the
governor's chief of staff, the staff necessary to carry out
the work of the office of military base planning and support
and the military base planning commission;"
(2) support the commission;

(3) inform the governor and the governor's chief of staff about issues impacting the military bases in the state, including infrastructure requirements, environmental needs, military force structure possibilities, tax implications, property considerations and issues requiring coordination and support from other state agencies;

(4) serve as a liaison with the community organizations whose purpose is to support the long-term viability of the military bases;

(5) communicate with the staff of the state's congressional delegation; and

(6) identify issues, prepare information and provide for presentations necessary for the commission to carry out its duties."

SECTION 2. Section 9-15-49 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003, Chapter 166, Section 2 and Laws 2003, Chapter 170, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

"9-15-49. MILITARY BASE PLANNING COMMISSION CREATED--COMPOSITION.--

A. The "military base planning commission" is created, which is administratively attached to the economic development department. The department shall provide administrative services to the commission.

B. The commission consists of twelve members,
eleven of whom are appointed by the governor with the advice
and consent of the senate. The commission shall include the
lieutenant governor and nine appropriate representatives from
the counties, or adjoining counties, in which military bases
are located. Two additional members shall be appointed at
large from other counties.

C. The governor shall appoint a chair from among
the members of the commission. The commission shall meet at
the call of the chair and shall meet not less than quarterly.
Members of the commission shall not be paid but shall receive
per diem and mileage expenses as provided in the Per Diem and
Mileage Act.

D. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Open
Meetings Act, meetings of the commission shall be closed to
the public when proprietary alternative New Mexico military
base realignment or closure strategies or any information
regarding relocation of military units is discussed.

E. Information developed or obtained by the
commission that pertains to proprietary commission strategies
or related to the relocation of military units shall be
confidential and not subject to inspection pursuant to the
Inspection of Public Records Act."

SECTION 3. REPEAL.--Section 9-15-51 NMSA 1978 (being
Laws 2003, Chapter 166, Section 4, as amended) is repealed.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
provisions of this act is July 1, 2015.