State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

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HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 31

The Honorable Brian Egolf, Jr., Speaker of the House and Members of the House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Honorable Speaker Egolf and Members of the House:

Pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution, I have vetoed HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 400, as amended ("HB 400"), enacted by the Fifty-Fourth Legislature, First Session, 2019.

While I agree that media literacy is an important and timely topic, the temporary advisory committee created by HB 400 is not a necessary use of state resources. Although I commend the Legislature for addressing this issue, I have opted to veto HB 400 because the Public Education Department is already in a position to address these issues without the use of additional state resources.

Respectfully yours,

Michelle Lujan Grisham
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