

State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

January 30, 2020

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 54

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

Dear Speaker Egolf and Members of the House:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 5(B)(2) of the New Mexico Constitution, I am authorizing for your consideration during the Fifty-Fourth Legislature, Second Session, submission of House Bill 237. That Bill revises and adds definitions in the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act; adds sex offenses requiring registration under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act; amends Section 30-1-8 NMSA to provide for no statute of limitations for human trafficking crimes; increases the age of a child for the crime of sexual exploitation of children by prostitution and specifies that it shall not be a defense to that crime that the intended victim was a peace officer posing as a child. The Bill also adds human trafficking as an act that can constitute racketeering under the Racketeering Act; expands the definition of "human trafficking" under Section 30-52-1 NMSA; increases penalties and minimum restitution and provides for mandatory forfeiture for human trafficking crimes; amends the definition of "criminal offense" in the Victims of Crime Act; and expands the definition of "serious violent offense" in Section 33-2-34 NMSA.

Respectfully yours,

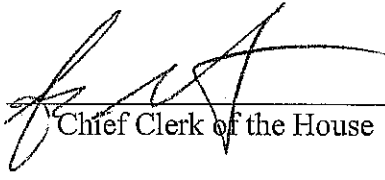
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By  Chief Clerk of the House