March 11, 2020

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 87

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:

I am pleased to sign House Bill 355. This legislation makes renewed use of public monies that have yet to be expended and were authorized in previous years from various funds. It is vital that we deploy public funds to benefit New Mexico’s children, families, and communities. This legislation furthers that important end.

Accordingly, I this day SIGN and RETURN:

HOUSE TAXATION AND REVENUE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 355, as amended, with emergency clause, which was enacted during the Fifty-Fourth Legislature, Second Session, except the following item or items, part or parts, which I hereby veto pursuant to the authority granted me in Article IV, Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution:

On page 11, I have vetoed lines 21 through 25, and on page 12, lines 1 through 5.

On page 12, I have vetoed lines 6 through 13.

On page 12, I have vetoed lines 14 through 22. This project and the two vetoed above have remaining project balances below $100 and the time and labor required for the Department of Finance and Administration and the Public Education Department to release the appropriations would greatly exceed these balances, making reauthorization fiscally imprudent.

On page 22, on line 6, I have vetoed the words “Indian affairs department”. This is to remove an erroneous reference to the Indian Affairs Department, as the Department of Transportation is managing the associated project.
On page 37, I have vetoed line 25, and on page 38, lines 1 through 7.

Respectfully yours,

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

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Time: 10:13 a.m. p.m.
Date: March 11, 2020

By [Signature]
Secretary of State

Time: 11:08 a.m. p.m.
Date: March 11, 2020

By [Signature]
Chief Clerk of the House