



State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

January 22, 2024

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 29

The Honorable Javier Martinez, Speaker of the House and
Members of the New Mexico House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Speaker Martinez 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-Sixth Legislature, Second Session, submission of HOUSE BILL 116, a bill removing the time limitation for commencing prosecution of human trafficking; increasing the age for sexual exploitation of children by prostitution to eighteen; adding "human trafficking" to the definition of racketeering; amending the elements of human trafficking; providing a definition of "harm"; prohibiting certain defenses in a prosecution for human trafficking; adding victims of human trafficking and sexual exploitation of children to the Victims of Crime Act; and prohibiting earned meritorious deductions for a human trafficking sentence.

Respectfully yours,


Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

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By 
Chief Clerk of the House