

SANTA FE COUNTY

Resolution No. 2011 - 178

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE FOR THE 2012 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION REGARDING PERA RETIREES AS POLL WORKERS

WHEREAS, county administration of elections has become increasingly complex since the passage of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002; and

WHEREAS, much of the complexity has fallen to the precinct board, commonly known as poll workers, who preside over election day at each polling location; and

WHEREAS, it is difficult to find and train qualified individuals who are available to work three to five days, or less, a year; and

WHEREAS, retirees have historically provided crucial public service to their communities by serving as poll workers; and

WHEREAS, PERA retirees have been among the most faithful and consistent poll workers in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, PERA retirees have historically been able to serve as poll workers without risking loss of retirement benefits; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 anti-double-dipping legislation disallowed even one day of service as a poll worker without risking loss of PERA retirement benefits; and

WHEREAS, in the upcoming 2012 general elections, county clerks will need their most experienced and dependable poll workers deployed to polling locations in this crucial presidential election year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS: that the Board of Commissioners of Santa Fe County supports legislation that would allow PERA retirees to serve as poll workers without risking loss of PERA retirement benefits.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 29th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2011.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SANTA FE COUNTY**

By: _____

Virginia Vigil, Chair

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ATTEST:

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Valerie Espinoza, Santa Fe County Clerk

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Deputy Marella Lopez Valerie Espinoza
County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM