

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 106

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES'
2018 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Association of Counties' (NMAC) mission is to strengthen New Mexico counties' ability to govern their own affairs and to improve the well-being and quality of life of their constituents; and

WHEREAS, NMAC has a year-round policy committee process which summarizes affiliate legislative issues for the Legislative Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee, policy committee chairs, pool board chairs, affiliate chairs and/or their designated representative present legislative issues to the NMAC Board for endorsement; and

WHEREAS, the endorsed legislative issues are then voted on by the NMAC Board, which selects a limited number as legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, NMAC Board Members have presented NMAC legislative priorities to the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners BCC) for endorsement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County to support the following New Mexico Association of Counties 2018 Legislative Priorities:

1. Forfeiture Act Reform;
2. Protecting County Funding of Healthcare;
3. Tax Reform;
4. Adoption of a Local Election Act;
5. Extending 2014 HB 16 Liquor Tax Distribution Sunset.


PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2017.

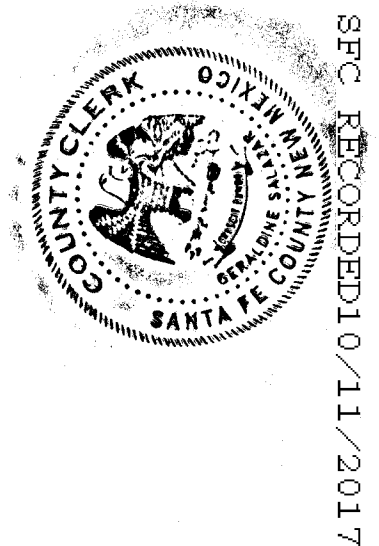
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

By: 

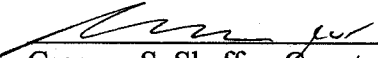
Henry P. Roybal, Chair

ATTESTATION:


Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Gregory S. Shaffer, County Attorney

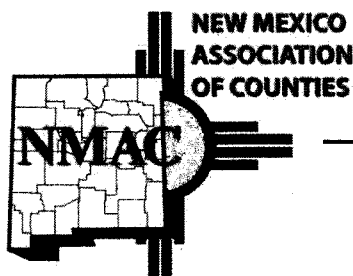


COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

BCC RESOLUTIONS
PAGES: 3

I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for
Record On The 11TH Day Of October, 2017 at 08:20:28 AM
And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # **1838445**
Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Geraldine Salazar
Deputy  County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM



NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

2018 NMAC LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

- **Forfeiture Act Reform**

Support legislation that would correct the unintended consequences of the 2015 amendments to the NM Forfeiture Act to address federal equitable sharing, storage of abandoned property, and expand local authority to seize and dispose of forfeited property while preserving due process protections.

- **Protecting County Funding of Healthcare**

Support the significant involvement of county policy makers in federal, state, and local healthcare, human services, and Medicaid planning, funding, and service delivery decision-making, and oppose any measure that would further shift federal and state healthcare costs to county government.

- **Tax Reform**

Support legislation that protects county revenue and does not have a negative impact on county government. NMAC strongly believes that counties must be at the table for and fully participate in all tax reform efforts; strives to minimize tax policy that places counties and other local governments in conflict; and opposes any efforts that reduce the state's hold harmless distribution to counties or that reduces county GRT authority.

- **Local Election Act**

Support legislation that would enact the Local Election Act, aligning the date for local, non-partisan elections with taxation authority, to the same day in the odd-numbered year.

- **Extend 2014 HB16 Liquor Tax Distribution Sunset**

Support legislation that would permanently increase the distribution percentage to the local DWI grant fund.