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New Mexico Legislative Education Study Committee  
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Dear Governor Martinez and Committee Members:

The Public Education Department (PED) is pleased to enclose the *Hispanic Education Status Report for School Year 2012–2013*. This annual report fulfills the PED's responsibility under the statutory requirement of the Hispanic Education Act in relevant part as follows:

**Section 22-23B-6. NMSA 1978. Statewide status report.**

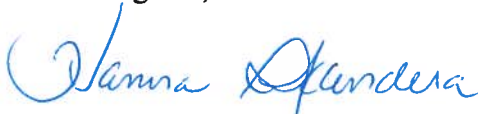
- A. The department, in collaboration with the higher **education** department, shall submit an annual preschool through postsecondary statewide **Hispanic education** status report no later than November 15 to the governor and the legislature through the legislative **education** study committee. A copy shall be provided to the legislative library in the legislative council service.
- B. The status report shall include the following information, by school district, by charter school and statewide, which may be compiled from data otherwise required to be submitted to the department:
  - 1) **Hispanic** student achievement at all grades;

- 2) attendance for all grades;
  - 3) the graduation rates for **Hispanic** students;
  - 4) the number of **Hispanic** students in schools that make adequate yearly progress and in schools at each level of school improvement or restructuring; and
  - 5) the number and type of bilingual and multicultural programs in each school district and charter school.
- C. The status report shall include the following information, by postsecondary educational institution, which may be compiled from data otherwise required to be submitted to the higher **education** department:
- 1) **Hispanic** student enrollment;
  - 2) **Hispanic** student retention; and
  - 3) **Hispanic** student completion rates.

This report is a comprehensive compilation of data that describes the efficiency and the effectiveness of the Hispanic education student program. In addition, the appendices of the report include a white paper that briefly summarizes the current status of the Hispanic education program in New Mexico. The PED and the Higher Education Department (HED) are collaborating to provide exemplary Hispanic services to students.

We look forward to working with you and your colleagues to ensure that the Hispanic education program increases student benefits and reduces costs through expanded risk-sharing. Consequently, this will provide an excellent Hispanic education program that ensures all students in the program have access to a common set of benefits.

Warm regards,



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Enc. (1): *Hispanic Education Status Report for School Year 2012–2013*

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