

## Senate Public Affairs Committee passes non-REAL ID, driver's license bill

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SANTA FE, N.M. – On Feb. 7, the Senate Public Affairs Committee (PAC) unanimously passed SB 278, the Senate Public Affairs Committee's (PAC) bill to amend the New Mexico Driver's License Act. The bill would require the Department of Transportation to conduct a study on the feasibility of implementing a non-REAL ID driver's license. The bill also would require the Department of Transportation to report the results of the study to the Senate Public Affairs Committee by June 1, 2020. The bill was introduced by Sen. Phil Martinez (D-Santa Fe) and Sen. Mark Pugh (D-Santa Fe). The bill was amended by Sen. Pugh to add a provision requiring the Department of Transportation to report the results of the study to the Senate Public Affairs Committee by June 1, 2020. The bill was passed by a vote of 11-0. The bill is now in the Governor's Office for review.