DATE: January 15, 2015

TO: NMSU Employees

FROM: Garrey Carruthers, President

SUBJECT: 2015 Legislative Session

Before and during the 2015 legislative session (January 20-March 21), several of you may be called upon to review and comment on legislation and/or testify before the many committees of the legislature. New Mexico State University’s Office of Government Relations (OGR) is tasked with being NMSU’s representatives and principal contact with all legislative members, government officials, and their respective staff. In all things legislative, please coordinate any legislative visit, testimony or other activities through OGR. If you are contacted by a legislative committee, legislator, or any other such entity, please inform OGR of any communication. This helps to present a unified and cohesive front by New Mexico State University to our legislators.

To understand NMSU’s legislative priorities, you can find them on the Office of Government Relations’ website: http://govrelations.nmsu.edu/, as well as regular updates during the legislative session.

In addition, if you are contacted by OGR staff requesting your analysis of legislation, please treat the requests as urgent and consider it a priority to complete and return the analysis within the time specified. Typically, OGR is under the strict deadline of 24 hours to submit the analysis, which could be critical to the bill’s impact to NMSU.

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Thank you for helping with this important task.