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To Mr. Ivan Ramirez-Arechiga:

My letter includes my comments on the proposed rules for the NM Law Enfrocement Certification Board.

- We need the NM Law Enforcement Certification Board to provide oversight for misconduct by police and telecommunicators. It is the only independent oversight without filing a lawsuit for civilians or rank-and-file police officers.
- Our law enforcement's credibility is at stake. Many people, especially youth and people of color don't trust the police. Publicity about police shootings, use of force, and misconduct contribute to distrust. Most police officers are work hard to protect the public. But when police abuse their authority or violate the law, ethics, and responsible behavior, they harm all the other police. People who don't trust the police may not report crime, and may not be willing to step up as witnesses.
- The Certification Board's oversight isn't credible if it's secretive or creates different classes of certified personnel protected from investigation.
- The Board's rules MUST to be clear and precise, MUST provide explicit criteria for advancing or refusing a complaint, and MUST document its review procedures in a manner that supports audit.
- The Board's decisions to reject any complaint by any party MUST be documented, and the complainant notified of the reasons for the decision.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments. This is an IMPORTANT issue. A LOT is at stake for our citizens, police, and the community.

Best regards,
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