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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1  
**52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**  
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A JOINT RESOLUTION  
PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 10 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW  
MEXICO TO ALLOW COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES TO ESTABLISH  
INDEPENDENT POLICE REVIEW BOARDS WITH AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE  
AND RESOLVE CITIZEN COMPLAINTS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 10 of the  
constitution of New Mexico by adding a new section to read:

"A. The governing body of a county or municipality  
may establish a citizen police review board that shall be  
independent of the governing body.

B. A governing body that establishes a citizen  
police review board shall provide for a process to select the  
board's members from the list of jurors for the county or  
municipality in which the review board convenes.

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1           C. A citizen police review board shall have  
2 authority to investigate citizen complaints regarding a law  
3 enforcement agency or law enforcement officer of the county or  
4 municipality and report findings and recommendations for action  
5 to the governing body as provided by law.

6           D. A citizen police review board shall be required  
7 to convene in public sessions. The respondent in a review  
8 board investigation shall have the right to be represented by  
9 counsel. Deliberations of the review board after the hearing  
10 of evidence shall be conducted in a public session, and the  
11 findings of fact and conclusions of law of the review board  
12 shall be made public."

13           **SECTION 2.** The amendment proposed by this resolution  
14 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
15 rejection at the next general election or at any special  
16 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
17 purpose.