

American Legion Auxiliary
New Mexico Girls State
Bill



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Simple Title of Bill: Four-Day, Ten Hour Work Week

1 SENATE BILL
2 **72nd SESSION – AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE – 2019**
3 INTRODUCED BY
4 *Haley Woolf*
5 AN ACT
6 RELATING TO LABOR TIME; ALLOWING ALL BUSINESSES AN OPTION TO
7 IMPLEMENT A FOUR-DAY, TEN HOUSE WORK WEEK.
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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW
10 MEXICO GIRLS STATE:
11 SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. -
12 A. “Four-day work week” meaning that a person would work ten hour work days, four
13 days a week to get the full forty hour work week.

- 1 B. A four day work week has been used in schools and is seen as beneficial to the
2 students. It encourages the students to come to school and they improve their
3 attendance. It also influences the student to work more productively, which in turn
4 increases their learning.
- 5 C. A four day work week used in businesses has helped employees become more
6 efficient. It has reduced the time that employees take for breaks and “time wasters,”
7 like social media to draw out the time. The ten hour days allow the employee to have
8 enough to work on that day and they won’t have fear of not finishing before the day
9 ends.
- 10 D. Having a three day weekend will leave more satisfied employees. Having that longer
11 weekend encourages employees to be more driven and resourceful during the days
12 they are at work.
- 13 E. A four day work week would decrease unemployment rates by hiring another to
14 share the work week. This could also allow the business to be open five days a
15 week if they desired to be. Having two people working the same job could allow the
16 workload to be done faster.
- 17 F. Having a four day work week could lower financial costs if the business is open four
18 days a week by 20%.
- 19 G. Creating a longer weekend might encourage workers to work a longer period of time
20 and retire later in life. This will create more experience workers in the working field.