RESOLUTION OF THE

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23^{RD} NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Second Year, 2016

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET AND FINANCE; ACCEPTING THE FOLLOW-UP REVIEW OF THE BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN AND RECOMMENDING BUDGET AND FINANCE IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON THE BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER AND CHAPTER OFFICIALS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Nation gave the Resources and Development Committee oversight over Chapters. 2 N.N.C. § 501(C)(1) (2012) see also CJA-03-13.
- B. Navajo Nation directed the Auditor General to "submit all Navajo Nation program...audit reports [and follow-ups] with findings and recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council for their review." 12 N.N.C. § 6 (2009).
- C. The Budget and Finance Committee approved the Bahastl'ah Chapter's audit report and corrective action plan. 12 N.N.C. § 7(D) (2009). BFD-59-11, EXHIBIT A.
- D. The Navajo Nation Office of the Auditor General conducted the Bahastl'ah Chapter's follow-up review and presents their report to the Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees, EXHIBIT B. 12 N.N.C. § 7(G)-(I) (2009).

SECTION TWO. ACCEPTANCE

The Navajo Nation accepts the Bahastl'ah Chapter's Corrective Action Plan Follow-Up Review, EXHIBIT B.

SECTION THREE. RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. The Office of the Auditor General request the Budget and Finance Committee approve the sanction recommendation against the Bahastl'ah Chapter for failing to implement the corrective action plan. 12 N.N.C. § 9(B) (2009).
- B. The Office of the Auditor General request the Budget and Finance Committee approve the sanction recommendation against the Bahastl'ah Chapter Officials for failing to implement the corrective action plan. 12 N.N.C. §§ 9(C) (2009).

SECTION FOUR. SANCTIONS

- A. Budget and Finance imposes sanctions against the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials for failing to implement the corrective action plan. 12 N.N.C. § 9(B)-(C) (2009).
- B. The Controller shall withhold "ten (10%) percent of monies payable [to the Chapter] from any governmental fund of the Navajo Nation as defined at 12 N.N.C. § 810(R)." 12 N.N.C. § 9(B) (2009).
- C. The Controller shall withhold "twenty percent (20%) of any payment prospectively due the chapter officials." 12 N.N.C. § 9(C) (2009).

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting held at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed, this 15^{TH} day of March, 2016.

Seth Damon, Chairperson Budget and Finance Committee

Motion: Tom T. Chee Second: Tuchoney Slim, Jr.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0306-15

DATE: August 20, 2015

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET AND FINANCE; ACCEPTING THE FOLLOW-UP REVIEW OF THE BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN AND RECOMMENDING BUDGET AND FINANCE IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON THE BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER AND CHAPTER OFFICIALS

PURPOSE: The resolution's purpose is to approve the follow-up review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter corrective action plan and recommending Budget and Finance impose sanctions on the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.

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BFD-59-11

RESOLUTION OF THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

22ND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - First Year, 2011

AN ACTION

RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE; ACCEPTING THE COMPLIANCE AUDIT OF THE BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER SUBMITTED BY THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL AND APPROVING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN SUBMITTED BY THE BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER

Twin Lakes

BE IT ENACTED:

- 1. The Navajo Nation hereby accepts the Audit Report No.11-30, a Compliance Audit of the Bahastl'ah, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and approves the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 2. The Navajo Nation hereby directs that copies of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan be provided to the Office of the President and the Vice President and the Resources and Development Committee, as part of their oversight responsibility for the Bahastl'ah Chapter.
- 3. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the Bahastl'ah Chapter to submit a written status report on its progress in implementation of the Corrective Action Plan to the Office of the Auditor General six months after the approval of this resolution.
- 4. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the Office of the Auditor General to review the written status report to be submitted by the Bahastl'ah Chapter and report to the Resources and Development Committee, as well as the Budget and Finance Committee.

5. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the Office of the Auditor General to conduct a follow-up review twelve months after the approval of this resolution to verify to actions claimed to have been taken by the Bahastl'ah Chapter, to issue a written follow-up report indicating the Bahastl'ah Chapter progress in implementing the Corrective Action Plan, and to make recommendations to the Resources and Development Committee, as well as the Budget and Finance Committee.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting held at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, this 6th day of December, 2011.

Ago and

LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairperson Budget and Finance Committee

Motion: Lorenzo Curley Second: Danny Simpson





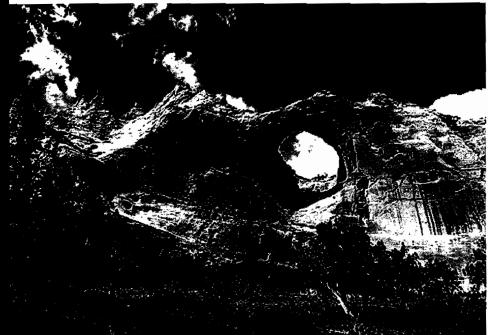
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OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Navajo Nation

A Follow-Up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan Implementation



Report No. 15-25 June 2015

Performed by: Beverly Tom, Auditor Karen Briscoe, Principal Auditor Office of the Auditor General The Navajo Nation Elizabeth O. Begay, CIA, CFE Auditor General

June 29, 2015

Norman John II, President **BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER** P.O. Box 4424 Yahtahey, NM 87375

Dear Mr. John:

The Office of the Auditor General herewith transmits Audit Report No. 15-25, a Follow-up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan Implementation. The Office of the Auditor General conducted the follow-up review with the following objectives:

- To determine the status of the Bahastl'ah Chapter corrective action plan (CAP).
- To identify the barrier(s), if any, that hindered implementation efforts.

To meet the objectives, we reviewed the six month period of July 2014 to December 2014.

Background

A compliance audit of the Bahastl'ah Chapter was conducted in 2011, and the Auditor General issued audit report no. 11-30. The audit report and the corrective action plan developed by the Bahastl'ah Chapter were approved by the Budget and Finance Committee on December 06, 2011, per resolution no. BFD-59-11. With Budget and Finance Committee approval, the Bahastl'ah Chapter has the duty to implement the corrective action plan.

Review Results

The Bahastl'ah Chapter has not fully implemented the corrective action plan and, as a result, the Chapter has not demonstrated improvements to ensure accountability and safeguarding of chapter assets and resources. The Chapter has not resolved 22 of 24 issues reported in audit report no. 11-30.

Internal controls remain deficient. Travel activities were not properly authorized to justify travel expenses. Financial assistance, personnel files, and payroll were not supported with required documentation. The Chapter did not monitor their budget. Consequently, there were deficits in several funds and unauthorized reallocation of restricted funds. Furthermore, budget changes were not community approved.

The financial statements were unreliable. Community approved budgets were posted on the wrong chapter fund. Transactions were not timely posted. The Chapter had not posted their Fiscal Year 2015 annual allocation from the Navajo Nation that was received since October 2014.



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Furthermore, we calculated unaccounted cash receipts of approximately \$7,900. Although records show the Chapter regularly collected cash from user charges such as rental fees, trash disposal, copy/faxes, shower, and septic tank cleaning there was no corresponding bank deposits. The Chapter also did not review cancelled checks for forgery or alterations. Based on comparison of the check register to the cancelled checks, seven (7) checks totaling \$4,253 were altered. All seven checks were paid to the former Community Services Coordinator. However, the Community Services Coordinator posted the seven checks into the accountings system as payments to various vendors. The intentional act of the former Community Services Coordinator to conceal the chapter checks she issued to herself were not detected by the Chapter Officials.

In regards to compliance with laws and funding guidelines, inaccurate payroll taxes were reported, and untimely paid to the Internal Revenue Service. The State unemployment contributions were not reported and remitted. Furthermore, the Chapter did not comply with the Procurement Code. Supporting documentation required to support purchases was missing. Public Employment Program files were not maintained to support chapter projects. Guidelines for expending the emergency fund were not followed.

The Chapter is not implementing its Five Management System. The Chapter Officials were not monitoring chapter activities to ensure the administration is carrying out their duties and responsibilities. See attached Exhibit A for the review results.

<u>Conclusion</u>

Title 12, Navajo Nation Code (N.N.C.) Section 8 imposes upon the Bahastl'ah Chapter the duty to implement the corrective action plan according to the terms of the plan. The Chapter did not implement the corrective action plan. Consequently, the issues reported in the 2011 audit remain unresolved. Accordingly, the Office of the Auditor General recommends sanctions be imposed on the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials in accordance with 12 N.N.C. Section 9 (b) and 9(c) for failure to implement the corrective action plan.

Sincerely,

Right Elizabeth Begay, CIA, CFE

Office of the Auditor General

xc: Randolph Lee, Vice-President Joan M. Nez, Secretary/Treasurer Mel R. Begay, Council Delegate BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER Robert Begay, Department Manager ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER Chrono

2015 REVIEW RESULTS

Finding I: Chapter Internal Controls Are Deficient.

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accuracy of the perpetual inventory records.	-		Due to No Activity
Prior Audit Issue 6: Petty cash fund lacks policies and procedures.			ocedures.
Chapter Corrective Actions Status of Corrective Action			
1. The Community Services Coordinator will develop	1. The		
and implement petty cash policies and procedures to Not Implemented		· · ·	Not Implemented
account for petty cash funds.			r

Pri	or Audit Issue 7: Personnel file are incomplete.	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure all	
	documentation required by the policies and	Not Implemented
	procedures are filed in employee personnel files.	1
2.	The Accounts Maintenance Specialist will ensure all	
	personnel actions forms are approved by an	Implemented
	authorized individual prior to the beginning of	
	employment.	
Pri	or Audit Issue 8: Cancelled checks are not reviewed.	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator, Accounts	
	Maintenance Specialist, and Secretary/Treasurer will	
	review cancelled checks to ensure only authorized	Not Implemented
	signatures are on the checks and no alternations or	•
	irregular endorsements were made to the check.	
Pri	or Audit Issue 9: Poor monitoring of cash flows have r	esulted in excessive overdraft
	thdrawals.	
•	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure the	
	Chapter checking account has available funds prior to	Implemented
	issuing checks and ensure no disbursements are made	
	from savings accounts.	
2.	The Community Services Coordinator and Chapter	
	Officials will work with its bank to set up accounts	Implemented
	with minimum bank service fees.	_
Pri	or Audit Issue 10: Chapter property lack proper identi	fication numbers.
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure all	
	chapter property is tagged with pre-numbered	Implemented
	identification tags	
Pri	or Audit Issue 11: Chapter property is not adequately	insured.
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure	
	there is insurance coverage for chapter property by	Not Implemented
	remitting payment to Risk Management in a timely	
	manner.	
Pri	or Audit Issue 12: Wages paid cannot be fully justified	1
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure	
	daily attendance sheets are maintained by employees	Not Implemented
	to document hours worked and to have the Accounts	
	Maintenance Specialist prepare timesheets.	
2.	The Community Services Coordinator will reconcile	
	the daily attendance sheets to the timesheets and	

	approve the timesheets prior to approving the processing of payroll to ensure employees are only	Not Implemented	
	paid for hours actually worked.		
	The Accounts Maintenance Specialist will process		
	payroll based on the approved timesheets.	Not Implemented	
Prie	or Audit Issue 13: Unreliable financial statements.		
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action	
	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure the		
	accounting system is accurately maintained.	Not Implemented	
2.	The Chapter President will ensure the Community		
	Services Coordinator prepares reliable basic financial	Not Implemented	
	statements.	-	
Prie	or Audit Issue 14: Poor budget monitoring resulted in	budget deficits.	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action	
1.	The Accounts Maintenance Specialist and Community		
	Services Coordinator will use MIP control measures		
	to verify funds availability and refrain from	Not Implemented	
	processing checks unless there are sufficient funds.	-	
	The Community Services Coordinator and		
	Secretary/Treasurer will routinely review financial	Not Implemented	
	reports to ensure there are no deficits in any funds or	-	
	line items.		
Prior Audit Issue 15: Capital Outlay funds were reallocated to cover fund deficits.			
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action	
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will become		
	familiar with funding guidelines and ensure all	Not Implemented	
	expenditures are in compliance with funding		
	guidelines.		
	or Audit Issue 16: Budget changes were not communit	v approved.	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action	
1	The Community Services Coordinator will follow		
	budget transfer policies and procedures for any	Not Implemented	
	budget changes.		
	The Chapter Officials will ensure all budget transfers		
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	are approved by the community membership.	Not Implemented	

Finding II: Chapter Does Not Consistently Comply with Applicable Laws and Funding Guidelines.

Prior Audit Issue 17: IRS report was inaccurate.		
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure the	
	payroll tax worksheets are prepared from the	
	accounting system, verified for accuracy and used to	
	prepare the Form 941 to report payroll taxes to the	Not Implemented

	Internal Revenue Service. The Chapter Officials will	
	review the report for accuracy in the absence of the	
	Community Services Coordinator.	
Pr	ior Audit Issue 18: IRS report was overdue.	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator and Chapter	
	Officials will ensure the Form 941 tax report is	Not Implemented
	submitted to the Internal Revenue Service in a timely	
	manner each quarter.	
2.	The Community Services Coordinator and Chapter	
	Officials will ensure payroll taxes are electronically	Not Implemented
	paid each month by the established due date.	
Pr	ior Audit Issue 19: State unemployment tax report was	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator and Chapter	
	Officials will ensure accurate State Unemployment	Not Implemented
	Tax Reports and unemployment contributions are	
	remitted to the state in a timely manner each quarter.	
Pr	ior Audit Issue 20: Non-compliance with Procurement	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Accounts Maintenance Specialist will obtain three	
	price quotations from vendors for review and	Not Implemented
	approval/disapproval by the Community Services	
	Coordinator and Chapter Officials.	
2.	The Accounts Maintenance Specialist will prepare a	
	check with the required supporting documentations	
	for the Community Services Coordinator review and	Not Implemented
	approval/disapproval	
3.	The Accounts Maintenance Specialist will inspect the	
	goods/services and document verification of receipt.	Not Implemented
4.	The Chapter Officials shall verify supporting	
	documentation before signing the check.	Not Implemented
Pr	ior Audit Issue 21: Non-compliance with PEP policies a	and procedures.
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will establish	
	project files for each project and ensure Public	
	Employment Project policies and procedures are	Not Implemented
	implemented.	
2.	The Community Services Coordinator will prepare	
	project reports upon their completion to justify the	Not Implemented
	resources used for the project.	
Pr	ior Audit Issue 22: Use of emergency funds cannot be j	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Community Services Coordinator will develop an	
	emergency response plan, obtain chapter membership	Not Implemented
	approval, and ensure the plan is implemented.	

2.	The Community Services Coordinator will ensure emergency funds are used to provide relief services to chapter members in the event of an emergency and based on priority needs in accordance to the funding guidelines, FMS policies and procedures, and emergency response plan.	Not Implemented
Pri	or Audit Issue 23: Monitoring by Chapter Officials Is	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	chapter finances and ensure funds are expended in	Not Implemented
	accordance to guidelines and policies.	
2.	The Chapter President will ensure administrative staff	
	and Chapter Officials are carrying out all duties,	
	directives, and responsibilities pertaining to the	Not Implemented
	Chapter in accordance to Five Management System	-
	policies and procedures and the Local Governance	
	Act.	
Prior Audit Issue 24: Contrary to LGA, the Chapter has not fully implemented a five		
1	inagement system.	
	Chapter Corrective Actions	Status of Corrective Action
1.	The Chapter Officials will work closely with the	
	Chapter staff to implement the Five Management	Not Implemented
	System policies and procedures.	•

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: Levon Henry, Chief Legal Counsel OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

FROM

rotot Elizabeth Begay, CIA, CFE

Auditor General OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

DATE : July 14, 2015

SUBJECT : Request for Legislation – Bahastl'ah Chapter

We request your office to prepare the legislation "An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Finance; Accepting the Follow-Up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan Implementation, and Imposing Sanctions against the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials for failure to implement the corrective action plan. The legislation sponsor will be Council Delegate Mel R. Begay.

Attached as Exhibit "A" is Audit Report No. 15-25 "A Follow-Up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan Implementation", and Exhibit "B" Resolution BFD-59-11.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at extension 6303. Thank you.

Attachment

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Honorable LoRenzo Bates Speaker 23rd Navajo Nation Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mel R. Begay Navajo Nation Council Delegate

FROM:

Carolyn R. West, Attorney Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: August 20, 2015

SUBJECT: OLC Service Request Number 15-535-1: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance; Accepting the Follow-Up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan and Recommending Budget and Finance Impose Sanctions on the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials

As requested, I prepared the above-reference proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet. Based on existing law, the resolution drafted is legally sufficient. However, as with all legislation, the proposed resolution is subject to review by the courts in the event of a challenge. You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure this is drafted to your satisfaction.

The Office of Legislative Council recommends the appropriate standing committee(s) reviews based on the standing committees powers outlined in 2 N.N.C. §§ 301, 401, 501, 601 and 701. Nevertheless, "the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council shall introduce [the proposed resolution] into the legislative process by assigning it to the respective oversight committee(s) of the Navajo Nation Council having authority over the matters for proper consideration. 2 N.N.C. § 164(A)(5).

If you are satisfied with the proposed resolution, please sign as "Primary Sponsor" and submit to the Office of Legislative Services where the proposed resolution will be given a tracking number and sent to the Office of the Speaker for assignment.

If the proposed legislation is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like to make.

THE NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATIVE BRANCH INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: _0306-15____

SPONSOR: Mel R. Begay

TITLE: An Action Relating To Resources and Development and Budget and Finance; Accepting the Follow-up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan and Recommending Budget and Finance Impose Sanctions on the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials

Date posted: August 28, 2015 at 4:08pm

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THE NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATIVE BRANCH INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW SUMMARY

LEGISLATION NO.: 0306-15

SPONSOR: Honorable Mel R. Begay

TITLE An Action Relating To Resources And Development And Budget And Finance; Accepting The Follow-Up Review Of The Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan And Recommending Budget And Finance Impose Sanctions On The Bahastl'ah Chapter And Chapter Officials.

Posted: August 28, 2015 at 4:08pm

5 DAY Comment Period Ended: September 2, 2015

Digital Comments received: No comments received.

Office of Legislative Services

RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE 23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

SECOND YEAR 2016

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker,

The **RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned

Legislation # 0306-15: An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee and Budget and Finance; Accepting the Follow-up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan and Recommending Budget and Finance Impose Sanctions on the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials Honorable Mel R. Begaye.

Has had it under consideration and report the matter was respectfully referred to Budget and Finance Committee for their consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin Bennett, Vice-Chairperson Resources and Development Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council

Date: January 19, 2016 Motion: Davis Filfred Second: Benjamin Bennett Vote: 4-0-1 (CNV)

23nd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

Second Year 2016

Mr. Speaker:

The **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned

NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL # 0306-15:

An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee and Budget and Finance; Accepting the Follow-up Review of the Bahastl'ah Chapter Corrective Action Plan and Recommending Budget and Finance Impose Sanctions on the Bahastl'ah Chapter and Chapter Officials Sponsored by Mel R. Begay and Seth Damon, Council Delegates

has had it under consideration and reports the same with the recommendation that It Do Pass without amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwight Witherspoon, Vice Chairman

Not Adopted: _____ Adopted

Legislative Advisor

15 March 2016

The vote was **3** in favor **0** opposed Excused: Absent: Mel R. Begay, Lee Jack, Sr.