

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0021-17

**DATE:** January 9, 2017

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; ADOPTING THE SÍHASIN FUND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO CD-68-14 AND 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will approve the Individuals with Disabilities expenditure plan for funding to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Handicapped Services for grants to supplement Navajo Nation government and non-Navajo government projects for opportunities for Navajo members with disabilities.

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

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: None  
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Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION

23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2017

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND  
FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION  
COUNCIL; ADOPTING THE SÍHASIN FUND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES  
EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO CD-68-14 AND 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508

**BE IT ENACTED:**

**Section One. Authority**

- A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102 (A).
- B. The Naabik'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review all proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).
- C. The Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the budgeting, appropriation, investment, and management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. § 301 (B) (2).
- D. The Health Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to exercise legislative oversight on matters involving health, social service, education, general governmental services and human services and to review and recommend resolutions relating to social services, health, environmental health and education. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400 (C)(1) and 401 (B)(6)(a).

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2 **Section Two. Findings**

- 3 A. On May 30, 2014, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council adopted Resolution No. CMY-28-  
4 14 accepting a settlement of the Navajo Nation's lawsuit, *Navajo Nation v. United*  
5 *States*, No. 06-945L (United States Court of Federal Claims) against the United States  
6 for its historical mismanagement of the tribe's trust assets and its failure to ensure that  
7 the Navajo Nation received all funds due and owed under the United States' trust  
8 obligations and fiduciary duties. Resolution No. CMY-28-14 was signed into law by  
9 the President of the Navajo Nation on June 4, 2014.
- 10 B. The 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council recognized that during the many decades that the  
11 United States was in breach of its trust obligations and fiduciary duties to the  
12 Nation, the tribal government was without funds to develop the comprehensive  
13 nation-wide infrastructures necessary to support and promote community growth  
14 and sustainability through the expansion of economic development, as well as to  
15 provide the educational opportunities, critical for the prosperity of current and  
16 future generations of Diné. See Resolution No. CMY-28-14.
- 17 C. Between October 6, 2014 and November 8, 2014 the Office of the Speaker held  
18 seven (7) Public Hearings, as directed by the Navajo Nation Council's Naabik'iyati'  
19 Committee on July 10, 2014, to receive input from Navajo Nation members on how  
20 the net proceeds from *Navajo Nation v. United States*' should be used. During that  
21 same time period, the Office of the President & Vice-President also held five (5)  
22 town hall meetings for a similar purpose.
- 23 D. On December 13, 2014, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council adopted Resolution No.  
24 CD-68-14 enacting the Navajo Nation Breach of Trust Settlement Act of 2014  
25 (hereinafter "2014 Act") and establishing the Navajo Nation Síhasin Fund at 12  
26 N.N.C. § 2501 et seq. The President of the Navajo Nation signed Resolution No.  
27 CD-68-14 into law on December 31, 2014.
- 28 E. The 2014 Act mandated that the net proceeds and earnings thereon received by the  
29 Navajo Nation from the settlement of *Navajo Nation v. United States*, No. 06-945L,  
30 and that, when duly designated, the net proceeds of settlements or judgement

1 awards of other litigation(s) brought against the United States concerning its failure  
2 to ensure that the Navajo Nation received all funds due and owing under the United  
3 States' trust obligations and fiduciary duties, be deposited into the Síhasin Fund and  
4 managed and invested to provide financial support and/or financing for (1) the  
5 planning and development of regional infrastructure supporting economic and  
6 community development, including housing, within the Navajo Nation; and/or (2)  
7 education opportunities for members of the Navajo Nation. See 12 N.N.C § 2501  
8 and § 2502 (A).

9 F. The 2014 Act also established that "leveraging of the [Síhasin] Fund by way of  
10 guaranteeing loans, match funding, direct funding in part and other weighted uses  
11 of the Fund shall be favored over direct funding in whole". 12 N.N.C § 2502 (B).

12 G. The 2014 Act further established that with the exception of outstanding and accrued  
13 litigation costs, Síhasin Fund Principal and Income shall only be expended pursuant  
14 to a Fund Expenditure Plan consistent with the purposes set forth in the 2014 Act at  
15 12 N.N.C. §2502 and adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the  
16 Navajo Nation Council. See 12 N.N.C. § 2505 (A).

17 H. The 2014 Act states that "Fund Principal" shall consist of all deposits made to the  
18 Síhasin Fund and that "Fund Income" shall consist of all earnings (interest,  
19 dividends, etc.) generated and realized by the Fund Principal and that Fund Income  
20 shall be deposited in and added to Fund Principal until such time as a Fund  
21 Expenditure Plan is duly adopted. See 12 N.N.C. §§ 2504 and 2505 (c).

22 I. The Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount of the  
23 Síhasin Fund Principal is Four Hundred Eighty Seven million Nine Hundred Ninety  
24 Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars and Ninety One Cents  
25 (\$487,990,841.91) with interest earnings of Four Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand  
26 Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$458,431.75).

27 J. On April 9, 2015, the Naabik'íyáti' Committee adopted NABIAP-20-15  
28 establishing the Naabik'íyáti' Síhasin Fund Subcommittee to "review and evaluate  
29 the Public Hearing comments and recommendations from the Navajo People" and  
30 "recommend to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council financial



1 support and/or financing plan(s) for the purposes designated in CD-68-14 [Navajo  
2 Nation Breach of Trust Settlement Act of 2014, establishing the Síhasin Fund]”.

3 K. Between April 2015 and December 2016, the Síhasin Fund Subcommittee, assisted  
4 by the Office of Legislative Services, Office of the Speaker, and Office of  
5 Legislative Counsel, met on at least twenty-five (25) occasions in either work  
6 sessions or official meetings to review and evaluate the Public Hearing comments  
7 and recommendations from the Navajo People; hear proposals from Navajo Nation  
8 entities, chapters, programs and officials; and develop an expenditure plan(s) for the  
9 Síhasin Fund Principal and Income consistent with the purposes set forth in the  
10 2014 Act.

11 L. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee determined that for an expenditure plan to fully  
12 meet the leveraging criteria of the 2014 Act, the expenditure plan shall not rely on  
13 Síhasin Funds for full direct project funding, unless such funds are to be repaid  
14 under a loan agreement, and instead must utilize the Síhasin Funds for (1) match  
15 funding, joint funding, contribution funding, cost-share funding or similar weighted  
16 uses of the funds; (2) reimbursement funding; and/or (3) loan or bond financing or  
17 guarantee.

18 M. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee also determined that the 2014 Act allowed for the  
19 adoption of multiple expenditure plans and that it would be prudent for the Navajo  
20 Nation to adopt integrated, yet distinct, expenditure plans for regional-level  
21 infrastructure planning and development in four broad infrastructure areas or  
22 categories consistent with the purposes of the 2014 Act: Water and Natural  
23 Resource Infrastructure Development; Economic Development; Community  
24 Development; and Housing Development.

25 N. After reviewing the comments submitted during the Public Hearings and town hall  
26 meetings, as well as the reports and comments made during the Síhasin Fund  
27 Subcommittee meetings, the Subcommittee determined that the Navajo people were  
28 supportive of community development allocations for human services, including  
29 but not limited to support for individuals with disabilities.  
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- 1 O. In addition, the Toadlena/Two Grey Hills and Pine Dale Chapters adopted  
2 resolutions, attached as Exhibit A, supporting the allocation of Síhasin Funds for  
3 services for individuals with disabilities.
- 4 P. In 1986, the Navajo Nation established the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for  
5 Handicapped Services, 12 N.N.C. §§ 1101-1108, wherein “95% of the Fund income  
6 shall be used as Navajo Nation grants to supplement Navajo Nation government  
7 and non-Navajo Nation government programs and projects that provide services to  
8 Navajo handicapped citizens.” 12 N.N.C. § 1105(A).
- 9 Q. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee has determined that Síhasin Funds could lawfully  
10 be added to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Handicapped Services if the interest  
11 earnings (Fund income) derived from the added Síhasin Funds were segregated and  
12 only expended for (a) projects that meet the requirements of the Síhasin Fund  
13 purposes, i.e., (1) the planning and development of regional infrastructure  
14 supporting economic and community development, including housing, within the  
15 Navajo Nation; and/or (2) education opportunities for members of the Navajo  
16 Nation; and (b) projects that leverage Síhasin Funds with other funds, such as  
17 federal and state funding for individuals with disabilities, Medicaid and Medicare,  
18 private insurance, Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Handicapped Services non-Síhasin  
19 Fund-derived income, etc.
- 20 R. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee determined that the Navajo Nation Office of  
21 Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, within the Navajo Nation  
22 Department of Dine Education, and the Navajo Nation Council on the  
23 Handicapped, 13 N.N.C. §§ 4801-4809, have the expertise to recommend and  
24 administer the expenditure of Síhasin Funds for the benefit of individuals with  
25 disabilities consistent with the purposes and leveraging requirements set forth in 12  
26 N.N.C. § 2502 pursuant to an annual plan adopted by the Health Education and  
27 Human Services Committee.
- 28 S. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee has also determined that allocating and adding ten  
29 million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) of Síhasin Funds to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund  
30 for Handicapped Services for the purposes of the planning and development of

1 regional infrastructure *specifically for individuals with disabilities* supporting  
2 economic and community development, including housing, within the Navajo  
3 Nation; and/or (2) education opportunities for members of the Navajo Nation *with*  
4 *disabilities* is within the purposes of the 2014 Act.

5 T. The Síhasin Fund Subcommittee additionally determined that it was in the best  
6 long-term interest of the Navajo Nation and the Navajo people to provide financial  
7 support to individuals with disabilities and recommends to the Navajo Nation  
8 Standing Committees and the Navajo Nation Council that ten million dollars  
9 (\$10,000,000.00) of Síhasin Funds be allocated for and added to the Navajo Nation  
10 Trust Fund for Handicapped Services as the Síhasin Fund Individuals With  
11 Disabilities Expenditure Plan, as set forth in sections Three and Four below, under  
12 section 2505 of the 2014 Act.

13 U. After considering the recommendations of the Síhasin Fund Subcommittee, the  
14 Navajo Nation Council hereby determines that the Síhasin Fund Individuals With  
15 Disabilities Expenditure Plan fits within the priorities established under the July 20,  
16 2015 One Nation, One Voice Navajo Nation Three Branch Agreement and that it is  
17 in the best interests of Navajo individuals and their families, as well as in the best  
18 interests of economic and community development, including housing, within the  
19 Navajo Nation, as well as education opportunities for Navajo members, to fund the  
20 Síhasin Fund Individuals With Disabilities Expenditure Plan, as set forth in sections  
21 Three and Four below.

### 22 23 **Section Three. Approval and Adoption of Expenditure Plan**

24 A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts the Síhasin Fund Individuals With  
25 Disabilities Expenditure Plan wherein ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) of  
26 Síhasin Funds will be transferred to and deposited in the Navajo Nation Trust Fund  
27 for Handicapped Services during Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2017.

28 B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts that each year 95% of the Fund  
29 income attributable to the Síhasin Funds deposited in the Nation Trust Fund for  
30 Handicapped Services shall be used as Navajo Nation grants to supplement Navajo

1 Nation government and non-Navajo Nation government projects that provide  
2 services to Navajo individuals with disabilities specifically for the purposes of (1)  
3 the planning and development of regional infrastructure supporting economic and  
4 community development, including housing, within the Navajo Nation; and/or (2)  
5 education opportunities for Navajo members with disabilities.

6 C. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts that interest earnings or income  
7 attributable to the Síhasin Funds deposited in the Nation Trust Fund for  
8 Handicapped Services shall be leveraged by way of match funding, direct funding  
9 in part and/or other weighted or supplemental uses and shall be not used as direct  
10 funding in whole for any project.

11 D. The Síhasin Funds allocated for the Síhasin Fund Individuals With Disabilities  
12 Expenditure Plan may be further leveraged by bond or loan financing pursuant to  
13 the Navajo Nation Bond Financing Act, 12 N.N.C. § 1300 et seq., as amended,  
14 using other Síhasin Fund Earnings for repayment and financing costs upon the  
15 recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee and approval by a two-thirds  
16 (2/3) vote of all members of the Navajo Nation Council.

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18 **Section Four. Approval and Adoption of Expenditure Plan Administration**

19 A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves administration of the Síhasin Fund Individuals  
20 With Disabilities Expenditure Plan as follows:

- 21 1. The Navajo Nation Controller shall determine whether the source of the  
22 allocated ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00) will be Síhasin Fund Principal or  
23 Income or a combination of both;
- 24 2. The Síhasin Fund transferred to the Navajo Nation Trust Fund for Handicapped  
25 Services shall be invested and managed consistent with the Navajo Nation Trust  
26 Fund for Handicapped Services statute, 12 N.N.C. §§ 1101-1108, but the  
27 interest earnings or income from such Síhasin Funds shall be segregated and  
28 may only be expended for projects that meet *all* the requirements of 12 N.N.C.  
29 § 2502.  
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1 3. The interest earnings or income from Síhasin Funds in the Navajo Nation Trust  
2 Fund for Handicapped Services shall only be expended pursuant to an annual  
3 plan developed and recommended by the Navajo Nation Office of Special  
4 Education and Rehabilitation Services, within the Navajo Nation Department of  
5 Dine Education, concurred to by the Navajo Nation Council on the  
6 Handicapped and adopted by the Health Education and Human Services  
7 Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

8 4. The Navajo Nation Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services  
9 shall account for and be held accountable for the expenditure of interest  
10 earnings and income attributable to the Síhasin Funds with such expenditures  
11 audited on an annual basis by either an independent auditor or the Office of the  
12 Auditor General with such audit report submitted to the Health Education and  
13 Human Services Committee, Naabik'íyáti' Committee, Office of the Controller,  
14 and Office of the President and Vice-President.

15 B. The Navajo Nation Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services shall  
16 report the status of all projects funded by interest earnings and income attributable  
17 to the Síhasin Funds to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and Office of the President and  
18 Vice-President on a quarterly basis.

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20 **Section Five. Effective Date**

21 The Síhasin Fund Individuals With Disabilities Expenditure Plan, as set forth above,  
22 shall become effective pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 2505.  
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24 **Section Six. Directives**

25 A. All Navajo Nation programs, specifically including, but not limited to, the Office of  
26 Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, Navajo Nation Department of Dine  
27 Education, Navajo Nation Council on the Handicapped, Office of Controller, and  
28 Office of Management & Budget, shall take all steps necessary to expeditiously  
29 implement the Síhasin Fund Individuals with Disabilities Expenditure Plan  
30 consistent with the provisions set forth above.

1 B. Navajo Nation programs named in this legislation shall be held accountable for the  
2 progress of tasks under their responsibility and control and shall report on a semi-  
3 annual basis to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee on the progress of their respective  
4 tasks.  
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**TOADLENA / TWO GREY HILLS CHAPTER**

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"HOME OF THE FAMOUS TWO GREY HILLS RUGS"

**EXHIBIT**

**A**

**RESOLUTION  
TDLA/TGH-16-05-18-13**

**SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION REQUEST THE  
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO ALLOCATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS  
(\$10,000,000.00) FROM THE SIHASIN FUND TO THE NAVAJO HANDICAP TRUST  
FUND**

**WHEREAS:**

1. **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** is a certified Chapter that is recognized by the Navajo Nation Council pursuant to 26 N.N.C. Section 3 and pursuant to 11 N.N.C. Part 1 Section 10, the Navajo Nation Council adopted the Navajo Nation Local Government Act which directs local Chapters to promote all matters that affect the local community members and to make appropriate decisions, recommendations, and advocate on their behalf; AND
2. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** finds on December 29, 2006 the Navajo Nation filed suit against the United States in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages from the federal government for its mismanagement of tribal trust fund assets and resources dating back as early as 1946; AND
3. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** finds on May 30, 2014 the 22nd Navajo Nation Council formally accepts the settlement offer of \$554 Million by adopting Resolution No. CMY-28-14, which was signed into law by the President on June 4, 2014; AND
4. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** finds the Office of the Speaker conducted a total of seven public hearings in 2014 to gain input and recommendations as to how the settlement award should be used and/or invest to best serve the needs of the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation people overwhelmingly requested allocations in the area of Capital Improvement, Infrastructure/Roads, Education and Human Services; AND
5. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** finds The Office of the Controller reported that as of January 1, 2016, the amount of the Sihasin Fund Principal is Four Hundred Eighty Seven Million Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars and Ninety One Cents (\$487,990,841.91) with interest earnings of Four Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$458,431.75); AND

**Stanley Hardy**  
President



**Andrew Deschenie**  
Vice-President



**Lolita Spencer**  
Secretary / Treasurer



**Derry Lewis**  
Grazing Officer



**Amber K. Crotty**  
Council Delegate



6. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** recognizes any use or allocation of the funds requires legislative action and approval by the Navajo Nation Council; AND
7. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter** respectful request the Navajo Nation Council to allocate Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) to the Navajo Handicap Trust Fund. The Navajo Nation Handicap Trust Fund assist with the purchase of accessibility ramps, specialized equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The **Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter**, hereby supports the allocation to the Navajo Nation Handicap Trust Fund assist with the purchase of accessibility ramps, specialized equipment.

### CERTIFICATION

We here by certify that this forgoing resolution was duly considered by the Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter Membership at a duly called meeting in Two Grey Hills, New Mexico (Navajo Nation) at which a quorum was present and that an approval was passed with a vote of 23 in Favor, 0 Opposed and 1 Abstained on this 18th day of May, 2016.

Motion by: Patrick Taylor

Seconded by: David Curley

Stanley Hardy  
Stanley Hardy, President

Andrew Deschenie  
Andrew Deschenie, Vice-President

Lolita Spencer  
Lolita Spencer, Secretary-Treasurer

Derry Lewis  
Derry Lewis, Grazing Official

Amber K. Crotty  
Amber K. Crotty, Council Delegate



**RECOMMENDING TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL AND IN SUPPORT ESTABLISHMENT OF NAVAJO  
HANDICAP TRUST FUND FROM SISHASIN FUND, ALLOCATION OF TEN MILLION DOLLARS IN THE  
SUMMER SESSION**

**WHEREAS;**

1. The Pine Dale Chapter, upon official establishment by the action of Navajo Nation Council authorization gives this authorization to support and recommendation for such actions; and
2. The Pine Dale Chapter finds community workers in nearby towns that provide handicap services at those locations provide services questionable because of constitutionalized requirements to traditional activities are different and away from communities; and
3. The Pine Dale Chapter has viewed locations, truly are not compatible to traditional settings. It believes setting up Handicap Trust Fund will be beneficial in the long run, more Dine are predicated to experience more difficult health lifestyle, in particular Baby Boomers generation are more in population;
4. The Pine Dale Chapter views this resolution as important in building needed ramps for community senior citizen in wheelchairs and those with walking canes; its in the best interest, approving Handicap Trust Funds will be in line with the recently passed development of Navajo Department of Health Act; and


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE:**


1. The Pine Dale Chapter supports the establishment of Dine' Handicap Trust from Sishashin Fund and recommends such a set up in amount of Twelve Million Dollars to assist people that may use such funds;
2. Further, Handicap Trust Funds will assist the development of Navajo Department of Health to meet the Navajo Health Act Statements;

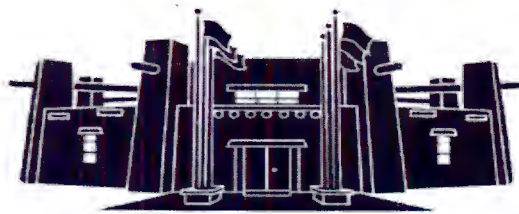
**CERTIFICATION**

It is hereby certify this resolution was duly discussed at a duly called chapter meeting, with quorum present, the same was passed by vote of 21 in favor, 0 opposed, 6 abstained, this 24th day of June, 2016 at Pine Dale, New Mexico.

  
Willie Norton, President

  
raphael Martin, Vice-President

  
Sarah B. Jackson, Secretary



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Hon. Amber Crotty  
23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

**FROM:**   
Levon B. Henry, Chief Legislative Counsel  
Office of Legislative Counsel

**DATE:** January 9, 2017

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Pursuant to your request, attached is the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet. Based on existing law, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. However, as with all legislation, it is subject to review by the courts in the event of a challenge.

The Office of Legislative Council confirms 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).

Please review the proposed resolution to ensure it is drafted to your satisfaction. If this proposed resolution is acceptable to you, please sign it where it indicates "Prime Sponsor", and submit it to the Office of Legislative Services for the assignment of a tracking number and referral to the Speaker.

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, or if you have further questions, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of changes you would like made to the proposed resolution. You may contact me at (928) 871-7166. Thank you.

THE NAVAJO NATION  
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SPONSOR: Amber Crotty

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**SPONSOR: Honorable Amber K. Crotty**

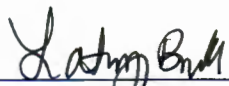
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