

## **LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

**Tracking No.** 0046-24

**DATE:** February 22, 2024

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION; AN ACT RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; AMENDING 2 N.N.C. § 503, MEETING DAY FOR THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the resolution is to amend Navajo Nation Code Title Two Section 503 to change the Resources and Development Committee's regular meeting day from Wednesdays to Mondays.

**Final Authority:** Navajo Nation Council

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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Law & Order Committee  
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Resources & Development Committee  
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Naabik'iyáti' Committee  
Thence  
Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Second Year, 2024

INTRODUCED BY

  
(Sponsor)

0046-24

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AN ACT

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DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED:

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY**

- A. The Law and Order Committee is empowered to review and make recommendations to the Navajo Nation Council on proposed amendments and enactments to the Navajo Nation Code. 2 N.N.C. § 601 (B) (14).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500 (A).
- C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee considers proposed resolutions that require final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A) (9).
- D. The Navajo Nation Council approves enactments and amendments of positive law. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A).

1 **SECTION 2. FINDINGS**

- 2 A. The Resources and Development Committee currently meets on Wednesdays pursuant  
3 to 2 N.N.C. § 503.
- 4 B. The members of the Resources and Development Committee wish to change the  
5 Committee's regular meeting day from Wednesdays to Mondays for reasons of  
6 efficiency.
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8 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 2 OF THE NAVAJO NATION CODE**

9 The Navajo Nation hereby approves amendments to the Navajo Nation Code, Title 2,  
10 Section 503, as follows:

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12 **NAVAJO NATION CODE**

13 **TITLE 2. NAVAJO NATION GOVERNMENT**

14 **CHAPTER 3. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

15 **SUBCHAPTER 9. STANDING COMMITTEES**

16 **Article 3. Resources and Development Committee**

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19 **§ 503. Meetings**

- 20 A. Meetings shall be held on ~~Wednesday~~ Monday of each week except for the weeks of  
21 regular Navajo Nation Council Session.

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26 **SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE**

27 The amendments enacted herein shall be effective pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 221.

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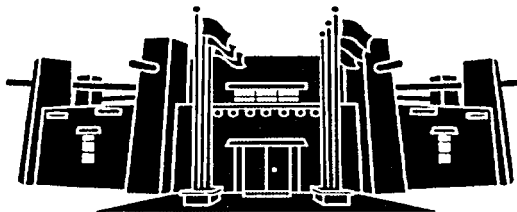
29 **SECTION 5. CODIFICATION**

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1 The provisions of the Act which amend or adopt new sections of the Navajo Nation Code  
2 shall be codified by the Office of Legislative Counsel. The Office of Legislative Counsel  
3 shall incorporate such amended provisions in the next codification of the Navajo Nation  
4 Code.

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6 **SECTION 6. SAVING CLAUSE**

7 Should any portion of the amendment enacted herein be determined invalid by the Navajo  
8 Nation Supreme Court, or the District Court of the Navajo Nation, without appeal to the  
9 Navajo Nation Supreme Court, those portions not determined invalid shall remain the law  
10 of the Navajo Nation.



## MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Brenda Jesus  
Oaksprings and St. Michaels Chapters

FROM: Mariana Kahn  
Mariana Kahn, Attorney  
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: February 22, 2024

SUBJECT: PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION; AN ACT RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; AMENDING 2 N.N.C. § 503, MEETING DAY FOR THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Based on existing law and review of documents submitted, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. As with any action of government however, it can be subject to review by the courts in the event of proper challenge.

The Office of Legislative Counsel confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) 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 the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like made to the proposed resolution.

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LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
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LEGISLATION NO: \_0046-24\_

SPONSOR: Brenda Jesus

**TITLE: An Act Relating to Law and Order, Resources and Development, and Naabik'íyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending 2 N.N.C § 503, Meeting Day for the Resources and Development Committee**

***Date posted:*** February 23, 2024 at 10:07PM

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**Posted: February 23, 2024 at 10:07 PM**

**5 DAY Comment Period Ended: February 29, 2024**

**Digital Comments received:**

<b>Comments Supporting</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Comments Opposing</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Comments/Recommendations</b>	<i>None</i>



**Legislative Secretary II  
Office of Legislative Services**

**February 29, 2024; 7:50 AM**

**Date/Time**

**LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE  
25<sup>TH</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**SECOND YEAR 2024**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

Madame. Speaker,

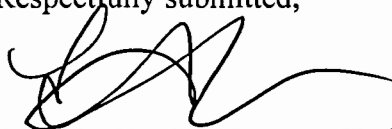
The **LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

**Legislation No. 0046-24:** An Act Relating to Law and Order, Resources and Development, and Naabik'iyati' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending 2 N.N.C. §503, Meeting Day for the Resources and Development Committee – *Sponsor: Honorable Brenda Jesus*

Has had it under consideration and reports a DO PASS with no amendment.

And thereafter referred to Resources and Development Committee.

Respectfully submitted,



Eugenia Charles-Newton, Chairwoman  
Law and Order Committee  
25<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Date: March 11, 2024

**Main Motion:**

Motion : Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.  
Second : Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie  
Vote : 2-0-3



**LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE  
25<sup>TH</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**Regular Meeting  
March 11, 2024**

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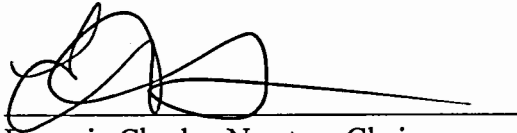
Yea: Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie, Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.

Nay: None

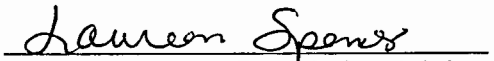
Not Voting: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton

Excused: Honorable Steven Arviso, Honorable Nathan Notah,

Absent: None



Eugenia Charles-Newton, Chairwoman  
Law and Order Committee  
25<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council



Laureen Spencer, Legislative Advisor  
Office of Legislative Services