

RESOLUTION OF THE
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council---First Year 2015

AN ACTION
RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; AMENDING RDCMY-21-15
WHICH ESTABLISHED THE TITLE 26 TASK FORCE TO EXTEND THE
EXISTENCE OF THE TASK FORCE FROM 210 DAYS TO 300 DAYS

Section One. Findings

A. The Resources and Development Committee has the authority to grant final approval of resolutions to develop and improve Local Governance Units and has oversight authority over Chapters. 2 N.N.C. § 501(B)(2)(c); 2 N.N.C. § 501(C)(1).

B. The Resources and Development Committee met with the Division of Community Development and Administrative Service Centers and discussed issues and concerns pertaining to Title 26 during a recent work session.

C. Pursuant to those discussions, the Resources and Development Committee determined it necessary to review Title 26 for possible amendments to improve the overall process as pertains to Chapter functioning and management.

D. The Title 26 Task Force has held a number of educational seminars on the purpose and plans of the Task Force, and the Title 26 Task Force continues its educational work.

E. The Resources and Development Committee, through RDCMY-21-15, established the Title 26 Task Force to address review of the Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code.

F. RDCMY-21-15 created the Title 26 Task Force and stated that the Task Force was to function for 90 days. The Resources and Development Committee heard a report from the Chairperson of the Title 26 Task Force on August 11, 2015 and the Committee decided that the Task Force needed 120 additional days to complete its task. See RDCS-64-15 attached as Exhibit A.

G. The additional 120 days, approved by Resolution RDCS-64-15, for the Title 26 Task Force to complete its work is not sufficient time to finalize the voluminous record and document review to complete the Task Force's work.

H. The Resources and Development Committee finds it in the best interest of the Navajo Nation for the Title 26 Task Force to complete its task within 300 days from the date it was created by RDCMY-21-15.

Section Two. The Resources and Development Committee amends Section Four of RDCMY-21-15 by increasing the number of days for the Title 26 Task Force to complete its work from 210 days to 300 days. The amendment to RDCMY-21-15 is made as written below:

Section Four. Directives

A. The Task Force shall provide to the Resources and Development Committee a written report and proposed draft of Title 26 no later than 300 days after the establishment of the Task Force.

B. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one staff assistant to assist the Title 26 Task Force with completing the report.

C. Navajo Nation Divisions or Departments shall give recognition to the Task Force and allow its employees to carry out the Task Force's work as described herein.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Tohajiilee Chapter, Tohajiilee, (Navajo Nation) New Mexico, at which quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained this 29th day of December, 2015.



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

Motion: Honorable Davis Filfred
Second: Honorable Leonard Pete

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0417-15

DATE: December 22, 2015

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; AMENDING RDCMY-21-15 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE TITLE 26 TASK FORCE TO EXTEND THE EXISTENCE OF THE TASK FORCE FROM 210 DAYS TO 300 DAYS

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will amend the original Committee resolution which created the Title 26 Task Force to complete its work within 300 days of establishment.

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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Resources & Development Committee

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2015

INTRODUCED BY

ALTON JOE SHEPHERD
(Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0417-15

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; AMENDING RDCMY-21-15
WHICH ESTABLISHED THE TITLE 26 TASK FORCE TO EXTEND THE
EXISTENCE OF THE TASK FORCE FROM 210 DAYS TO 300 DAYS

Section One. Findings

- A. The Resources and Development Committee has the authority to grant final approval of resolutions to develop and improve Local Governance Units and has oversight authority over Chapters. 2 N.N.C. § 501(B)(2)(c); 2 N.N.C. § 501(C)(1).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee met with the Division of Community Development and Administrative Service Centers and discussed issues and concerns pertaining to Title 26 during a recent work session.
- C. Pursuant to those discussions, the Resources and Development Committee determined it necessary to review Title 26 for possible amendments to improve the overall process as pertains to Chapter functioning and management.
- D. The Title 26 Task Force has held a number of educational seminars on the purpose and plans of the Task Force, and the Title 26 Task Force continues its educational work.
- E. The Resources and Development Committee, through RDCMY-21-15, established the Title 26 Task Force to address review of the Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code.

- 1 F. RDCMY-21-15 created the Title 26 Task Force and stated that the Task Force was to
2 function for 90 days. The Resources and Development Committee heard a report
3 from the Chairperson of the Title 26 Task Force on August 11, 2015 and the
4 Committee decided that the Task Force needed 120 additional days to complete its
5 task. See RDCS-64-15 attached as Exhibit A.
- 6 G. The additional 120 days, approved by Resolution RDCS-64-15, for the Title 26 Task
7 Force to complete its work is not sufficient time to finalize the voluminous record and
8 document review to complete the Task Force's work.
- 9 H. The Resources and Development Committee finds it in the best interest of the Navajo
10 Nation for the Title 26 Task Force to complete its task within 300 days from the date
11 it was created by RDCMY-21-15.

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13 **Section Two. The Resources and Development Committee amends Section Four of**
14 **RDCMY-21-15 by increasing the number of days for the Title 26 Task Force to**
15 **complete its work from 210 days to 300 days. The amendment to RDCMY-21-15 is**
16 **made as written below:**

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18 Section Four. Directives

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20 A. The Task Force shall provide to the Resources and Development Committee a
21 written report and proposed draft of Title 26 no later than ~~90~~ ~~210~~ 300 days after
22 the establishment of the Task Force.
- 23 B. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one staff assistant to assist the Title 26
24 Task Force with completing the report.

EXHIBIT

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WHICH ESTABLISHED THE TITLE 26 TASK FORCE TO EXTEND THE
EXISTENCE OF THE TASK FORCE FROM 90 DAYS TO 210 DAYS

Section One. Findings

- A. The Resources and Development Committee has the authority to grant final approval of resolutions to develop and improve Local Governance Units and has oversight authority over Chapters. 2 N.N.C. § 501(B)(2)(c); 2 N.N.C. § 501(C)(1).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee met with the Division of Community Development and Administrative Service Centers and discussed issues and concerns pertaining to Title 26 during a recent work session.
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2015 and the Committee decided that the Task Force needed 120 additional days to complete its task.

- F. The Resources and Development Committee finds it in the best interest of the Navajo Nation for the Title 26 Task Force to complete its task within 210 days from the date it was created by RDCMY-21-15.

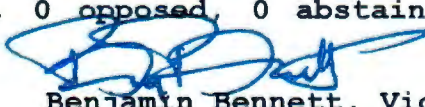
Section Two. The Resources and Development Committee amends Section Four of RDCMY-21-15 by increasing the number of days for the Title 26 Task Force to complete its work from 90 days to 210 days. The amendment to RDCMY-21-15 is made as written below:

Section Four. Directives

- A. The Task Force shall provide to the Resources and Development Committee a written report and proposed draft of Title 26 no later than ~~90~~ 210 days after the establishment of the Task Force.
- B. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one staff assistant to assist the Title 26 Task Force with completing the report.

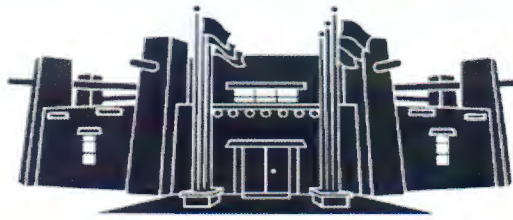
CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Navajo Department of Transportation, Tse Bonito, Navajo Nation (New Mexico), at which quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained this 1st day of September, 2015



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

Motion: Honorable Leonard Tsosie
Second: Honorable Leonard Pete



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Alton J. Shepherd
23rd Navajo Nation Council

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

DATE: December 22, 2015

SUBJECT: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT;
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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.

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SPONSOR: Alton Shepherd

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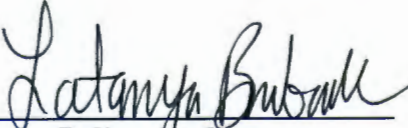
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