

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

24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Second Year, 2020

AN ACTION

**RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION, HUMAN SERVICES AND BUDGET AND
FINANCE COMMITTEE; DIRECTING THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR
GENERAL TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE NAVAJO NATION
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION IN FISCAL YEAR 2021**

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is empowered to oversee veteran's services. 2 N.N.C. § 401 (C) (6).
- B. The Budget and Finance Committee exercises oversight of the Office of the Auditor General and acts as an Audit Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 301(B) (13).
- C. The Auditor General is authorized and directed to be responsive to the requests of management for specific information, review or audit of any aspect of Navajo Nation and chapter organization. 12 N.N.C. § 4(D).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Nation Veterans Administration ("NNVA") is a program in the Executive Branch that provides services to Navajo Nation Veterans. The services provided by NNVA include offering financial assistance and housing assistance to veterans in need.
- B. A performance audit of NNVA is necessary to identify potential issues or deficiencies within the operation of NNVA.

- C. The Navajo Nation Office of the Auditor General is responsible for conducting audits on for Navajo Nation government divisions, departments, programs or offices, or for outsourcing audits through the Navajo Nation's procurement process.
- D. A performance audit of the NNVA has been requested to include the time period from 2016-2020.
- E. The Budget and Finance Committee determines that conducting a performance audit of the NNVA is necessary at this time.

SECTION THREE. DIRECTIVE THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

- A. The Navajo Nation Budget and Finance Committee directs the Auditor General to include the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration in its Fiscal Year 2021 Audit Plan schedule.

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 by teleconference at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed, this 1st day of December 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Henio', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Jamie Henio, Chairperson
Budget and Finance Committee

Motion: Honorable Elmer P. Begay
Second: Honorable Nathaniel Brown

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

December 1, 2020

Regular Meeting

VOTE TALLY SHEET:

Legislation No. 0272-20: An Action Relating to Health, Education, Human Services and Budget and Finance Committees; Directing the Office of the Auditor General to Conduct a Performance Audit of the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration in Fiscal Year 2021 *Sponsored by Wilson Stewart, Jr., Council Delegate*

Motion: Elmer P. Begay

Second: Nathaniel Brown

Vote: 5-0, Chairman not voting

Final Vote Tally:

Jamie Henio		
Jimmy Yellowhair	yea	
Raymond Smith Jr.	yea	
Elmer P. Begay	yea	
Amber K. Crotty	yea	
Nathaniel Brown	yea	



Jamie Henio, Chairman
Budget & Finance Committee

Peggy Nakai, Legislative Advisor
Budget & Finance Committee