



24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL LEGISLATION SPONSORSHIP WITHDRAWAL

I, Hon. Eugenia Charles-Newton, Primary
Sponsor of proposed legislation hereby withdraw my
sponsorship of the proposed legislation. The legislation
tracking number is 0132-21.

If there are any co-sponsors, they may re-sponsor the same
bill by beginning a new legislation.

SPONSOR SIGNATURE:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eugenia Charles-Newton", written over a horizontal line.

DATE:

07-30-2021

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET
Tracking No. 0132-21

DATE: July 28, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution, if passed, is to approve and recommend to the Budget and Finance Committee the Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice

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.

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Law & Order Committee

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – THIRD YEAR, 2021

INTRODUCED BY


(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0132-21

AN ACTION RELATING TO THE LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE; APPROVING
AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE
PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Law and Order Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 600(A).
- B. The Law and Order Committee is the oversight committee for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice 2 N.N.C. § 601(C)(2).
- C. Each oversight committee shall review and make recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee concerning the budget in accordance with the annual budget instructions. 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Law and Order Committee held a budget hearing and took budget testimony regarding the Navajo Nation Department of Justice's Fiscal Year 2022 Budget. 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).

- 1 B. The Law and Order Committee recommends to the Budget and Finance Committee
2 a fiscal year budget for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice. 12 N.N.C. § 840
3 (A).
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5 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET**
6 **AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET**
7 **FOR THE NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**
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- 9 A. The Law and Order Committee hereby acknowledges the proposed Navajo Nation
10 Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Budget for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice
11 recommended by the Navajo Nation Office of the President and Vice President, as
12 provided on the Fund Type Budget Summary, attached as **Exhibit A**.
13 B. The Law and Order Committee requests that the Budget and Finance Committee
14 and the Navajo Nation Council adopt the changes to the Budget, as set forth in the
15 General Fund Comparative Summary, **Exhibit B**, Recommended Changes to the
16 General Fund Budget, **Exhibit C**, Recommended Conditions of Appropriation and
17 Legislative Concerns, **Exhibit D**, and Recommended Unmet Needs, **Exhibit E**.
18 C. The Law and Order Committee authorizes the Committee Chairperson or Vice-
19 Chairperson to meet and negotiate with the Budget and Finance Committee on these
20 recommendations.
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Fund Type Budget Summary

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Fiscal Year 2022

**The Navajo Nation
General Fund Comparative Summary**

EXHIBIT B

Branch: _____ EXECUTIVE _____

Division/Office: _____ DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE _____

| (A) Business Unit Number | (B) Program Title | (C) Branch Chief's Proposed FY 2022 General Fund Budget | (D) Oversight Committee's Recommended FY 2022 General Fund Budget | (E) Plus or Minus \$ Difference (Column D - Column C) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 104001 | Office of the Attorney General | 3,214,083 | | 0 |
| 104002 | Navajo-Hopi Legal Services | 321,269 | | 0 |
| 104005 | Office of the Prosecutor | 2,838,739 | | 0 |
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| TOTAL: | | 6,374,091 | 0 | 0 |

Recommended Conditions of Appropriations and Legislative Concerns

Branch: EXECUTIVE Division/Office: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

| Business Unit Number | Program Title | Brief Narrative of Recommended Condition of Appropriation (COA) or Legislative Concern (LC) |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 104001 | Office of the Attorney General | |
| 104002 | Navajo-Hopi Legal Services | |
| 104005 | Office of the Prosecutors | |
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**The Navajo Nation
Recommended Unmet Needs Budgets**

Branch: EXECUTIVE Division/Office: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

| Business Unit Number | Program Title | Amount of Unmet Need | Explanation of Recommended UNMET NEEDS to the FY 2022 General Fund Budget |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| 104001 | Office of the Attorney General | 200,583 | Unmet personnel funds are requested to full budget Pro-rated position and approved EPAF Step Increase June to September 30, 2021, also to cover reclassification negotiated attorney position short fall of \$180,297 including fringe benefits. To purchase equipment, lap top for new hire with software installation, other supplies expenses will provide funds for new hire needs and postal costs; and Special Transactions for insurance premiums of personnel pro-rated and salary adjustment for above entry level hire of attorneys \$20,286 for a TOTAL of \$200,583 UNMET NEEDS. |
| 104005 | Office of the Prosecutor | 463,691 | The Unmet Needs would address key prorated positions, positions that have received an Salary Step increase due to annual EPAF and provide for three new prosecutor positions and one administrative position. These will ensure prosecution is adequately disbursed in districts that do not overwhelm/overwork district prosecutors. \$367,644 |
| | | | Travel expenses for vehicles covers the adequate cost for the two already leased vehicles from Fleet Management and cover mileage rates. Operating cost will allow for each district and administration to adequately provide much needed operating/office supplies to fourteen offices and maintain a clean workspace and operating equipment. |
| | | | The Shiprock office lease would allow for the Shiprock office to move into a larger building that will house six positions in a safe and cleaner environment wherein staff are not intermingling with the outside guests and other patrons within the small office space they have. The remainder is the required insurance for personnel \$ 96,047 for TOTAL AMOUNT UNMET NEEDS = \$463,691 |
| TOTAL: | | 664,274 | |

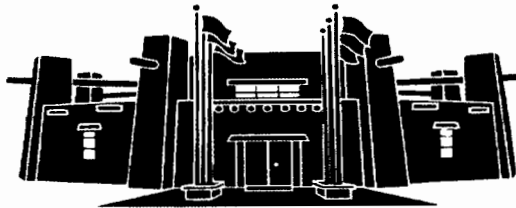
Fiscal Year 2022

The Navajo Nation General Fund Comparative Summary

EXHIBIT B

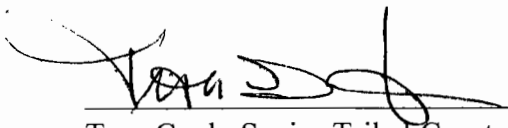
| Branch: | | EXECUTIVE | Division/Office: | DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE / FIXED COST LITIGATION | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|---|
| (A) Business Unit Number | (B) Program Title | (C) Branch Chief's Proposed FY 2022 General Fund Budget | (D) Oversight Committee's Recommended FY 2022 General Fund Budget | (E) Plus or Minus \$ Difference (Column D - Column C) | |
| N01000 | FIXED COST LITIGATION | 5,000,000 | | | 0 |
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton
24th Navajo Nation Council

FROM: 
Troy Cook, Senior Tribal Court Advocate
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: July 28, 2021

SUBJECT: **AN ACTION RELATING TO THE LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE;
APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE
COMMITTEE THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET FOR THE
NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

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).

Please ensure that his particular resolution request is precisely what you want. You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

THE NAVAJO NATION
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SPONSOR: Eugenia Charles-Newton

TITLE: An Action Relating to the Law and Order Committee; Approving and Recommending to the Budget and Finance Committee the Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the Navajo Nation Department of Justice

Date posted: July 29, 2021 at 5:52PM

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