

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23RD Navajo Nation Council - Third Year, 2017

AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; AMENDING NABIMY-32-15,
ESTABLISHING THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STATE TASK FORCE AS A NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'
SUB-COMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'íyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation standing committee and empowered the committee to "[t]o coordinate all . . . state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most effective delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700 (A) and 701 (A)(4) (2012).
- B. Naabik'íyáti' Committee may establish the State Task Force Sub-Committee. 2 N.N.C. § 186 (2012).
- C. The Navajo Nation Council gave Naabik'íyáti' Committee the authority to delegate its authority as appropriate for efficiency and streamlining of government process to appropriate entities. 2 N.N.C. § 701 (B) (2012).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Resolution NABIMY-32-15, established the State Task Force as a Naabik'íyáti' Sub-Committee, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 701 (B) (2012). Resolution NABIMY-32-15 is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-Committee to advance the position and priorities of the Navajo Nation within the States of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah.
- C. The State Task Force is delegated the authority to:
 - 1. Conduct regular interaction with the Navajo Nation lobbyist(s), state legislatures, officials, employees, and agencies, to enhance the understanding between the Navajo Nation Council and the respective states; and
 - 2. Report monthly to the Navajo Nation Council Speaker the Task Force's activities; and

3. Transfer information and recommendations to the Navajo Nation Council Speaker, the Naabik'iyáti' Committee, appropriate Navajo Nation standing committees, and appropriate Legislative Branch boards, commissions, agencies, offices and programs.
- D. Currently, the State Task Force consists of nine members, three from each state (Arizona, New Mexico and Utah) and regularly meets each month.
- E. The amendment to Resolution NABIMY-32-15 changes the membership of the State Task Force from nine members to six members, resulting in two members from each state (Arizona, New Mexico and Utah); and amending the meetings of the State Task Force from monthly to quarterly to coincide with the Navajo Nation Council Session.

SECTION THREE. AMENDMENT TO NABIMY-32-15

The Navajo Nation hereby amends NABIMY-32-15 as follows:

Section Two. Naabik'iyáti' State Task Force Sub-Committee Establishment

- B. The Naabik'iyáti' State Task Force Sub-Committee shall consist of ~~nine~~ six members; ~~three~~ two from each state (Arizona, New Mexico and Utah). The Navajo Nation Council Speaker shall appoint the delegates to serve on the sub-committee. The Navajo Nation Council Speaker appoints the following to the sub-committee, EXHIBIT A:

- ~~1. Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Arizona~~
- ~~1. Jonathan Hale, Arizona~~ Dwight Witherspoon, Arizona
- ~~2. Walter Phelps, Arizona~~
- ~~3. Mel R. Begay Peterson Yazzie,~~ Steven Begay, New Mexico
- ~~4. Seth Damon, New Mexico~~
- ~~6. Tom Chee, New Mexico~~
- ~~5. Davis Filfred, Utah~~
- ~~6. Nathaniel Brown, Utah~~
- ~~9. Tsah bii Kin, Navajo Mountain, Shonto, Oljato, Delegate Herman Daniels, Utah~~

- D. The Naabik'iyáti' State Task Force Sub-Committee shall establish a regular quarterly meeting day(s) ~~of the month~~ shall meet more frequently during a state legislative session. A quorum shall consist of one (1) representative from each of the three respective states (Arizona, New Mexico and Utah), in conformance with 2 N.N.C. § 183 (E).

SECTION FOUR. APPROVING THE AMENDMENT TO NABIMY-32-15

The Navajo Nation hereby approves the amendment to NABIMY-32-15, *Establishing the Naabik'iyáti' State Task Force as a Naabik'iyáti' Sub-Committee*, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

SECTION FIVE. EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this Act shall become effective in accord with 2 N.N.C. § 221 (C).

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 12 in favor and 05 oppose, this 11th day of May, 2017.



Honorable Lorenzo C. Bates, Chairperson
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Seth Damon
Second: Honorable Edmund Yazzie

(17)

**23rd Navajo Nation Council
Naabik'iyati' Committee**

Date: May 11, 2017

Legislation No. 0133-17

Motion: Seth Damon

Second: Edmund Yazzie

ALL DELEGATES:

	Yea	Nay
BATES, LoRenzo		
BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr.	✓	
BEGAY, Norman M.	✓	
BEGAY, Steven		
BEGAYE, Nelson		✓
BENNETT, Benjamin L.	✓	
BROWN, Nathaniel		✓
CHEE, Tom T.	✓	
CROTTY, Amber K.		
DAMON, Seth		✓
DANIELS, Herman		
FILFRED, Davis	✓	
HALE, Jonathan L.	✓	
JACK, Lee Sr.		
PERRY, Jonathan	✓	
PETE, Leonard H.	✓	
PHELPS, Walter		
SHEPHERD, Alton Joe		✓
SLIM, Tuchoney Jr.	✓	
SMITH, Raymond Jr.		✓
TSO, Otto		
TSOSIE, Leonard	✓	
WITHERSPOON, Dwight	✓	
YAZZIE, Edmund	✓	

BY COMMITTEE:

	Yea	Nay	TOTAL
BFC:			
CHEE, Tom T.			
DAMON, Seth			
JACK, Lee Sr.			
SLIM, Tuchoney Jr.			
WITHERSPOON, Dwight			
TSOSIE, Leonard			
HEHSC:			
BEGAY, Norman M.			
BEGAY, Steven			
BEGAYE, Nelson			
BROWN, Nathaniel			
CROTTY, Amber K.			
HALE, Jonathan L.			
LOC:			
BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr.			
DANIELS, Herman			
SMITH, Raymond Jr.			
TSO, Otto			
YAZZIE, Edmund			
RDC:			
BENNETT, Benjamin L.			
FILFRED, Davis			
PERRY, Jonathan			
PETE, Leonard H.			
PHELPS, Walter			
SHEPHERD, Alton Joe			
SPEAKER:			
BATES, LoRenzo			
(Votes only in a tie)			

GRAND TOTAL

12 5

CERTIFICATION:


Honorable LoRenzo Bates
Speaker



NABIMY-32-15

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23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2015

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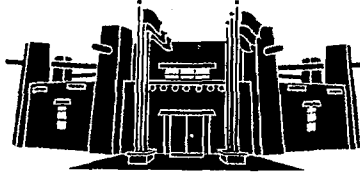
Section One. Findings

- A. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'íyáti' as a Navajo Nation standing committee and empowered the committee to "[t]o coordinate all...state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most effective delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A) and 701(A)(4) (2012) see also CJA-03-13.
- B. Naabik'íyáti' Committee may establish the State Task Force sub-committee. 2 N.N.C. § 186 (2012) see also CO-45-12.
- C. The Navajo Nation Council gave Naabik'íyáti' Committee the authority to delegate its authority as appropriate for efficiency and streamlining of government process to appropriate entities. 2 N.N.C. § 701(B) (2012) see also CJA-03-13.

Section Two. Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee Establishment

- A. The Navajo Nation establishes the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee to advance the position and priorities of the Navajo Nation within the States of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee shall:

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NAVAJO NATION**

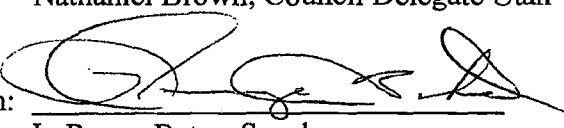


HONORABLE LORENZO C. BATES
Speaker, 23^d Navajo Nation Council



Memorandum

To: Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Council Delegate Arizona
Jonathan Hale, Council Delegate Arizona
Walter Phelps, Council Delegate Arizona
Mel R. Begay, Council Delegate New Mexico
Seth Damon, Council Delegate New Mexico
Tom Chee, Council Delegate New Mexico
Davis Filfred, Council Delegate Utah
Nathaniel Brown, Council Delegate Utah

From: 
LoRenzo Bates, Speaker
Navajo Nation Council

Date: May 1, 2015

Re: Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee Appointments

I am pleased to appointment you to the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee ("Task Force"). I appointed you because, as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate, you reside and represent the Navajo Nation in that particular state. The Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee's purpose is to advance the position and priorities of the Navajo Nation within the States of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah.

Your term as Commission member shall coincide with your term as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate and until your successor is appointed. Since the Naabik'íyáti' Committee needs to approve your appointment, you will serve at their pleasure.

Again, I am pleased to appoint you to the Naabik'íyáti' State Task Force Sub-committee.