

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2019

AN ACTION

RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; SUPPORTING UNITED STATES BILL
S. 279, THE "TRIBAL SCHOOL FEDERAL INSURANCE PARITY ACT"

WHEREAS:

- A. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'íyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee and as such empowered the Naabik'íyáti' Committee to coordinate all information "relating to proposed county, state, and federal legislation impacting the Navajo Nation." 2 N.N.C. §§ 700 (A), 701 (A) (6).
- B. The Navajo Nation has a government-to-government relationship with the United States.
- C. Senator John Thune introduced this bill "to allow tribal grant schools to participate in the Federal Employee Health Benefits program." United States Bill S. 279, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby supports United States Bill S. 279, The "TRIBAL SCHOOL FEDERAL INSURANCE PARITY ACT" attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, President of the Navajo Nation, and their designees, to advocate the Navajo Nation's support of the United States Bill S. 279.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the 24th 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 13 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 11th day of July 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Seth Damon", is written over the printed name.

Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.

Second: Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr.

Chairman Seth Damon not voting

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 279

To allow tribal grant schools to participate in the Federal Employee Health Benefits program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 30, 2019

Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. ROUNDS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

A BILL

To allow tribal grant schools to participate in the Federal Employee Health Benefits program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Tribal School Federal
5 Insurance Parity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT TO THE INDIAN HEALTH CARE IM-**
7 **PROVEMENT ACT.**

8 Section 409 of the Indian Health Care Improvement
9 Act (25 U.S.C. 1647b) is amended by inserting “or the

- 1 Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501
- 2 et seq.)” after “(25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.)”.

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Naa'bik'iyati Committee

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Amd# to Amd#	Legislation 0147-19: Supporting	PASSED
MOT Smith	United States Bill S 279, the	
SEC Walker, T	"Tribal School Federal Insurance	
	Parity Act"	

Yea : 13

Nay : 0

Excused : 6

Not Voting : 4

Yea : 13

Begay, E	Halona, P	Smith	Tso, O
Begay, K	Henio, J	Tso, D	Walker, T
Charles-Newton	James, V	Tso, E	Yellowhair
Daniels			

Nay : 0

Excused : 6

Begay, P	Brown	Tso, C	Wauneka, E
BeGaye, N	Freeland, M		

Not Voting : 4

Yazzie	Stewart, W	Nez, R	Crotty
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Presiding Chair: Damon