

## LEGISLATION SUMMARY

Tracking No. 0051-22

Date: March 4, 2022

Re: **AN ACT RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$3,003,441 FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE ("UUFBS") FOR THE NAVAJO ELECTION ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS EXPENSES IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2022 NAVAJO NATION ELECTIONS; WAIVING 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F), §820(J), AND §820(L)**

Purpose: to approve \$3,003,441 from the UUFBS for the Navajo Election Administration to pay for its expenses in preparation for the upcoming 2022 Navajo Nation elections.

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: Johnson  
Website Posting Time/Date: 5:58pm; 03-09-22  
Posting End Date: 03-14-22  
Eligible for Action: 03-15-22

Budget & Finance Committee  
Thence  
Naabik'iyáti' Committee  
Thence  
Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Fourth Year, 2022

Introduced by:

W.C. Stewart

(Prime Sponsor)

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AN ACT

RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'  
COMMITTEES, AND TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING  
\$3,003,441 FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE  
("UUF") FOR THE NAVAJO ELECTION ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS  
EXPENSES IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2022 NAVAJO NATION  
ELECTIONS; WAIVING 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F), §820(J), AND §820(L)

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee was established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the authority to review and recommend to the Council the budgeting, appropriation, investment and management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. §300(A), §301(B)(2).
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee was established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with authority to hear all proposed resolutions requiring final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §164 (A)(9), §701(A)(5).
- C. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §102(A). As such, the Council "... may adopt and approve supplemental appropriations to the Annual Comprehensive Budget during the fiscal year. Supplemental appropriations of General Funds within the current fiscal year are permitted, if and when additional sources of revenues above

1 and beyond the initial or current revenue projections are projected and which are also in  
2 excess of the reserve amount set forth at §820(J).” 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

3 D. The restrictions on supplemental appropriations, including all amounts from the UUFB,  
4 include:

5 1. Payment of recurring government operating expenses shall be from recurring revenues,  
6 and payment of nonrecurring expenses shall be from nonrecurring revenues such as UUFB  
7 funds. 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F).

8 2. Specifically, the UUFB shall not be used for recurring government expenditures or  
9 operations. 12 N.N.C. §820(J), §820(L).

10 3. Nonrecurring revenues such as UUFB funds may be used only after the Controller  
11 determines whether or not such revenues are subsidizing an imbalance between the  
12 Navajo Nation’s recurring revenues and expenditures, and government expenditures shall  
13 only be authorized if a long-term (3-year to 5-year year) forecast shows that the operating  
14 deficit will not continue; otherwise, nonrecurring revenues will be added to the  
15 Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance. 12 N.N.C. §820(F).

16 4. The above provisions in Title 12 may be amended or waived by a two-thirds vote of the  
17 full Navajo Nation Council. 12 N.N.C. §820(F), 12 N.N.C. §880.

18 5. In compliance with 12 N.N.C. §820(F) all UUFB funding requests must be reviewed by  
19 the Controller. Such review is also required because the Controller determines which  
20 revenues and expenses are recurring and which are non-recurring. 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

21 6. In compliance with 12 N.N.C. §820(M) all UUFB funding requests must be submitted to  
22 the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for a budget impact analysis.

23 7. Supplemental funding such as UUFB appropriations shall lapse at the end of the current  
24 fiscal year unless the Navajo Nation Council decides otherwise. 12 N.N.C. §820(N).

## 25 26 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

27 A. The Navajo Election Administration (“NEA”) is requesting \$3,003,441 out of the UUFB to  
28 purchase office equipment and supplies, and to cover its operating expenses for the remainder  
29 of FY2022, which costs are necessary for NEA to adequately prepare for the upcoming 2022  
30 Navajo Nation primary and general elections to be conducted across the Navajo Nation.

1 B. The Executive Director of NEA has provided a memorandum regarding NEA's need for the  
2 \$3,003,441 in additional funding, explaining that NEA is currently using outdated and  
3 obsolete equipment and software that are wholly inadequate for the upcoming 2022 Navajo  
4 Nation elections. **EXHIBIT A.**

5 C. NEA has prepared appropriate Budget Forms regarding its funding request. **EXHIBIT B.**

6 D. The Controller has been asked to prepare a memorandum regarding this funding request, to  
7 comply with 12 N.N.C. §820(F) and §820(L). This memorandum may be provided to the  
8 assigned Committees and the Navajo Nation Council when this legislation is up for  
9 consideration.

10 E. OMB was asked to prepare a budget impact analysis regarding this funding request, to  
11 comply with 12 N.N.C. §820(M). This analysis may be provided to the assigned Committees  
12 and the Navajo Nation Council when this legislation is up for consideration.

13 F. The Navajo Nation has determined that approving the requested UUFB funds for NEA is a  
14 critical priority for the Navajo Nation, and further finds that such funds are necessary to  
15 ensure bona fide elections across the Navajo Nation during 2022, as well as proper post-  
16 election procedures for the counting of all votes and the publication of final election results.

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18 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL OF \$3,003,441 FROM THE UUFB FOR THE NEA'S**  
19 **EXPENSES IN PREPARATION FOR THE UPCOMING 2022**  
20 **NAVAJO NATION ELECTIONS**

21 A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves a supplemental appropriation of \$3,003,441 out of the  
22 UUFB for the Navajo Election Administration to cover its expenses in preparation for the  
23 upcoming 2022 Navajo Nation primary and general elections, in accordance with the  
24 attached EXHIBIT A and EXHIBIT B.

25 B. The \$3,003,441 in UUFB funds approved herein shall be from those revenues that exceed  
26 the 10% minimum balance of the UUFB which must be maintained according to 12 N.N.C.  
27 §820(J).

28 C. The \$3,003,441 approved herein shall **not** lapse at the end of Fiscal Year 2022, as would  
29 otherwise occur pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §820(N), and all unexpended and/or unencumbered  
30 amounts shall carry over to NEA's Budget for FY2023.

1 D. The Síhasin Fund shall be reimbursed the \$3,003,441 amount approved herein, from funds  
2 available to the Navajo Nation from any and all state and federal sources, including  
3 Congressional appropriations under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 or other COVID-  
4 19-related relief, so long as the NEA's expenditures described herein are deemed eligible  
5 under such COVID-19-related or other funding sources.  
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7 **SECTION FOUR. WAIVING 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F), §820(J), and §820(L)**

8 The Navajo Nation hereby waives 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F), §820(J), and §820(L) to allow  
9 use of the \$3,003,441 in UUFB funds by NEA for its necessary expenditures in preparation for  
10 the upcoming 2022 Navajo Nation elections. This waiver is necessary because the proposed  
11 NEA expenditures are considered recurring government expenses.  
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13 **SECTION FIVE. EFFECTIVE DATE**

14 This Act shall become effective pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §221(B) and 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(17).  
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16 **SECTION SIX. SAVING CLAUSE**

17 If any portion of this Act is determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or by a  
18 District Court of the Navajo Nation without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, the  
19 remainder of this Act shall be the law of the Navajo Nation.  
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THE NAVAJO NATION  
ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

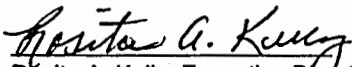
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EXHIBIT A



February 15, 2022

To: Wilson Stewart, Honorable Delegate  
24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

From:   
Rosita A. Kelly, Executive Director  
Navajo Election Administration  
Window Rock, AZ 8651

Subject: Emergency Legislation for Primary and General Election

The Navajo Nation Election Administration (NEA) promotes democracy through each Navajo registered member who is eligible to vote; individual votes create personal choice to vote, not voting is giving up your voice, votes determine funding, and most importantly it gives opportunities to make changes. NEA serves the entire NN population including, not limited to stateside and overseas voters. The NEA has a total of 20 staff; 10 staff at Central office and 10 staff at the five agencies. The agency offices are located in Tuba City, Arizona, Chinle Arizona, Ft. Defiance Arizona, Crownpoint New Mexico, and in Shiprock New Mexico. The Agency NEA staff provided daily services to the Navajo eligible registered voters on a daily basis with:

1. Register new votes
2. Re-register inactive voters
3. Verify voter's registration
4. Collaborate with 110 chapters on registration
5. Coordinate and conduct primary and general, special elections, challenge, and recall elections
6. Orientate poll official training to chapter officials and general public
7. Conduct Registration training to registers
8. Temporary staff to assist with primary and general election
9. Out Research and Education
10. Report tally votes
11. Disseminate Navajo Nation, state, county and federal election and registration information, policies, certification processes, interpret election codes
12. Assist potential candidates with application process, certification, recount.

The Navajo Nation Department Currently the Navajo Nation Election Office operates on Voters Registration System (VRS):

1. Navajo Nation Department of Information Technology (DIT) has strongly advised the NEA to seek a new Voters Registration Software, the current software is outdated with strong possibility of crashing. When the system crashes NN DIT cannot make repairs.
2. Navajo Nation DIT strongly advised NEA to get a new Voters Registration Software for Central office and the 5 agencies
3. Current NEA computers and software are not compatible to Election Data Base
4. The current Voter Registration Software is a high risk for breaching voters' confidential records upon system failure
5. Unable to generate needed reports for reporting
6. VRS unable to connect to the internet

The Agency NEA staff are forced to set up tables and voting machines outside on gravel to conduct voting, use their own funds and equipment i.e. laptops, cell phones to carry daily task, and switch carriers to accommodate demand for communication. NEA staff carry out daily duties on outdated and unreliable computers and software (i.e. Windows 7, voter data base).

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Due to COVID 19 Pandemic, the NEA staff experienced psychological setbacks including fear of contracting the COVID 19 virus and possible exposure to their families through their interactions with the public. Poll officials were exposed to and contracted the virus, while others backed away from work during the 2020 Navajo Nation election due to fear of getting sick. Because of this, some agencies were left shorthanded which caused added pressure and irregularities in work schedule.

The funds requested will be used to purchase the following for the Window Rock Navajo Election Office and the 5 NEA offices:

- **Election Voter Registration software (license)**
  - Data Base
  - Election supplies and equipment's
  - Desk top Computers
  - Laptops
  - Desks
  - Fire proof cabinets
  - Desk Phones
  - Printers
  - Portables printers
  - Scanners
  - Copiers (small and large)
  - Transcribers
  - Better internet connection/service
  - Hot Spots for remote work
  - 150 IPAD for 110 Chapters and NEA staff
  - Ballots for General elections
  - Personnel overtime during elections
  - Senior Programmer Analyst – new position to administer new database
  - Education, training for NEA staff, board, and poll judges

To effectively and properly serve Navajo voters on the Navajo Nation and beyond, the NEA and agency offices will address the following:

- Increase effective sufficient communication in disseminating election information to voters and the general public.
- The NEA will need a Senior Programmer Analyst to administer the new database and election software to generate valuable reports, in addition the Programmer will have overall maintenance the Election system.
- New software and hardware office equipment will not only increase energy savings and create a greener office environment, it will also decrease services time for customers. Currently, customers have to wait for services due to non-functioning software and computers
- New office equipment's use minimal energy compared to old equipment's
- New reliable updated laptop & desktop computers are direly needed to conduct daily duties (i.e. Windows 10 or newer) with the general public
- A new Voters Registration Software is critically needed to store confidential information

The Navajo People choose their elect local, state, and federal level leaders through votes, it is critical the People and employees are safe from the COVID19 while administering their duties and responsibilities. The NEA conduct the following elections in staggered years:

1. Early voting for elected officials
2. Absentee voting
3. Recall Elections

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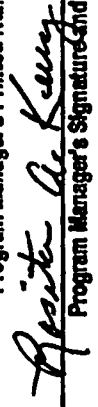

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4. Referendum Elections
5. Recount votes
6. Special Election
7. Primary
8. General

The Navajo Nation Election Administration office is looking for **\$3,0003,441** for the Primary Election. The office equipment's are vital as they will be compatible to new Voters Registration Software/Database. The current equipment the Navajo Election Administration are operating on obsolete equipment and software.

PART I. Business Unit No.: 101021		Program Title: Navajo Election Administration		Division/Branch: Legislative Branch	
Prepared By: Genevieve A White		Phone No.: 928.871.5367		Email Address: geneawhite@navajo-nsn.gov	
PART II. FUNDING SOURCE(S)		Fiscal Year / Term	Amount	% of Total	
Emergency Legislation		10/1/21-09/30/22	3,003,441	100%	
PART III. BUDGET SUMMARY					
		Fund Type Code	Original Budget	Approved Budget	Difference or Total
	2001 Personnel Expenses	6	-	106,535	106,535
	3000 Travel Expenses	6	-	21,735	21,735
	3500 Meeting Expenses	6	-	222,217	222,217
	4000 Supplies	6	-	594,831	594,831
	5000 Lease and Rental	6	-	775	775
	5500 Communications and Utilities	6	-	304,000	304,000
	6000 Repairs and Maintenance	6	-	150,000	150,000
	6500 Contractual Services	6	-	91,995	91,995
	7000 Special Transactions	6	-	11,353	11,353
	8000 Public Assistance		-	-	-
	9000 Capital Outlay	6	-	1,500,000	1,500,000
	9500 Matching Funds		-	-	-
	9500 Indirect Cost		-	-	-
TOTAL			-	3,003,441	3,003,441
PART IV. POSITIONS AND VEHICLES					
			(D)		(E)
Total # of Positions Budgeted:			0		24
Total # of Vehicles Budgeted:			0		0
PART V. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS BUDGET PACKAGE IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.					
SUBMITTED BY:		APPROVED BY:			
Rosita Kelly, Executive Director		Seth Damon, Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council			
Program Manager's Printed Name		Division Director / Branch Chief's Printed Name			
Signature of Rosita Kelly		Signature of Seth Damon		3.3.22	
Program Manager's Signature and Date		Division Director / Branch Chief's Signature and Date			

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:		Navajo Election Administration							
Business Unit No.:	101021	Program Name/Title:							
PART II. PLAN OF OPERATION/RESOLUTION NUMBER/PURPOSE OF PROGRAM:									
PART III. PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:									
1. Goal Statement:		1st QTR		2nd QTR		3rd QTR		4th QTR	
To purchase the Voter Registration Software/Database.		Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual
Program Performance Measure/Objective:									
To collaborate with Sole Source-AES to purchase and for implementation.		N/A		N/A		1		1	
2. Goal Statement:									
COVID-19 Pandemic Safety Measures									
Program Performance Measure/Objective:									
Deployment of PPE for Central and 5 Agency Offices.		N/A		N/A		2		3	
3. Goal Statement:									
Obtain new computers, copiers, scanners, hotspots, etc. for Navajo Election Administration and Agency Offices.									
Program Performance Measure/Objective:									
Each agency offices (5) will have new equipment including the central office		N/A		N/A		100		100	
4. Goal Statement:									
Plan, prepare, and implement 2022 Primary election and 2024 Chapter General chapter elections									
Program Performance Measure/Objective:									
To provide community education, purchase adequate ballots, and hire poll officials.		N/A		N/A		1		1	
5. Goal Statement:									
Program Performance Measure/Objective:									
PART IV. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED.									
Roshia Kelly, Executive Director		Seth Damon, Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council							
Program Manager's Printed Name		Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name							
									
Program Manager's Signature and Date		Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date							



THE NAVAJO NATION  
DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:			
Program Name/Title:		Business Unit No.: 101021	
Navajo Election Administration			
PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:			
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
2001	PERSONNEL EXPENSES To provide permanent staff with over-time compensation and to hire temporary employees to assist in the Election with fringe benefits.		105,535
2510	Overtime Overtime Pay Regular 14 Employees @ 150 Hours 1 Employee @ 1200 Hours Overtime Pay Temporary 10 Employees @ 150 Hours	30,148.50 31,452.00 16,635.00	
2900	Fringe Benefits 15 Permanent Employees \$61,600.50 x 43.38% 10 Temporary Employees \$16,635.69 x 9.48%	26,722.30 1,577.00	
3000	TRAVEL EXPENSE To provide lodging, POV mileage, meals, and misc. for permanent and temporary employees to travel for voting registration to Denver, CO; Albuquerque, NM; Salt Lake City, UT; Phoenix, AZ; Tucson, AZ; Las Vegas, NV; Los Cruces, NM; Durango, CO; etc.		21,735
3210	Vehicle Rental (off reservation) Vehicle Rental (Off Reservation) \$300/day x 3 days x 3 trips =	2,700	
3230	Personal Travel Per Diem Meals \$79 x 3 days x 10 trips =	2,370	
TOTAL		111,605	128,270

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Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
3250	Lodging \$258 x 3 nights x 10 trips = 7,740.00	7,740	
3260	Mileage \$0.585 x 5,000 miles = 2,925.00	2,925	
3290	Other travel expenses \$50 x 10 trips = 500.00	500	
3310	Air		
3320	Commercial \$500 x 5 trips = 2,500.00	2,500	
3330	Charter - Internal \$1000 x 3 trips = 3,000.00	3,000	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,665</b>	<b>-</b>

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FY 2022

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Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)				
3500	MEETING EXPENSES		222,217	222,217			
	Poll Officials compensation for election day with training and Chief Poll Judge mileage.						
3810	Meetings						
3811	Stipend-Meals/Lodging						
	440 Poll Officials & Training Stipend						
	110 Chief Poll Judge Training Stipend						
3813	Mileage						
	110 Chief Poll Judge Mileage for Election/Training						
4000	SUPPLIES			594,831			
	To purchase PPE items, desktops, laptops, office desks, portable printers, scanners, copiers, transcriber, pads, voter's registration software.						
4410	Operating Supplies						
4420	General Operating Supplies (PPE)		30,000				
	Administration						
	5 Agencies						
	5,000.00						
	25,000.00						
4440	Non Cap Computer Software						
	7 x \$150 x 4 =		10,528				
4530	Printing/Binding/Photocopying						
	General Election Ballots						
	200,000.00						
	Poll Books						
	8,003.00						
	Election Posters 2 x 110 Chapters						
	5,000.00						
TOTAL		475,748	817,048				

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Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
4200	Non Capital Assets 4210 Non Cap Furniture & Equip 30 office desks x \$2,000 = 60,000.00 30 all-in-one printer/copier/scanner x \$800 = 24,000.00 30 portable scanners x \$1,000 = 30,000.00 30 portable printers x \$500 = 15,000.00 6 office copier x \$5,000 = 30,000.00 1 transcriber x \$300 = 300.00	291,300	
4420	Operating Supplies .4440 Non Cap Computer Equip 30 desktops x \$2,000 est = 60,000.00 30 laptops x \$2,000 est = 60,000.00 6 tablets x \$2,000 = 12,000.00 Non Cap Computer Software Voter's Registration Software 50,000.00	50,000	775
5310	Building/Space .5350 Other Space Rental \$775 Booth x 1 Day 775.00	775	
TOTAL		342,075	775



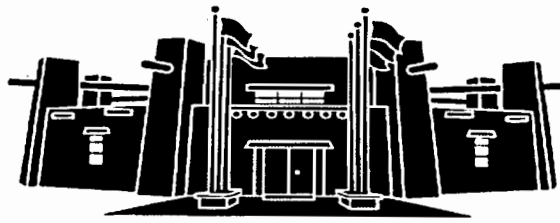
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5500	<b>COMMUNICATIONS &amp; UTILITIES</b> To replace the office desk phones and to advance the internet services.		304,000
5520	Telephone 5550 Optional Charges 20 telephone sets x \$200 = 4,000.00	4,000	
5570	Internet 5580 DSL 6 x \$50,000 = 300,000.00	300,000	
6000	<b>REPAIRS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b> To repair and maintain the office buildings and office equipments.		150,000
6110	Supplies (Fum & Equip) 6120 Fum & Equip R&M Supplies 75,000.00	75,000	
6130	Services (Fum & Equip) 6140 Fum & Equip R&M Services 75,000.00	75,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>		454,000	454,000


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6520	<b>6500 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</b> To purchase the upgrade of the voter's registration database.  Consulting 6530 Consulting Fees 91,995.00	91,995	91,995
7710	<b>7000 SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS</b> To provide the General Liability and Worker's Compensation.  Programs 77130 Promotional Items 10,000.00	10,000	11,353
7710	Insurance Premiums 7765 Policy Payment: $\$78,235.50 + \$28,299.30 / \$100 \times .25 = 266.34$ 7767 Worker's Compensation: $\$78,235.50 / \$100 \times .72 = 1,086.60$	1,353	
9140	<b>9000 CAPITAL ASSETS</b> To purchase the Election Database.  Equipment 9142 Equipment - Database 1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,603,348</b>	<b>1,603,348</b>





## MEMORANDUM

To: Hon. Wilson C. Stewart, Jr., Member  
Resources and Development Committee  
24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

From:   
Luralene D. Tapahe, Principal Advocate  
Office of Legislative Counsel

Date: March 4, 2022

Subject: **AN ACT RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$3,003,441 FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE ("UUF") FOR THE NAVAJO ELECTION ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS EXPENSES IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2022 NAVAJO NATION ELECTIONS; WAIVING 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F), §820(J), AND §820(L)**

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Per your request, the Office of Legislative Counsel has prepared the above-referenced proposed legislation and related summary sheet. Based on existing Navajo Nation law and other applicable laws, and upon review of all supporting documents regarding your request that were submitted to OLC, this legislation as drafted is legally sufficient. However, as with any action of government, this legislation may be subject to judicial review in the event of a legal challenge.

**Please review this legislation to make sure it is drafted to your satisfaction, and that all necessary and appropriate supporting documents have been provided and all attached Exhibits are correct.**

OLC has reviewed the appropriate standing committees' authorities to consider this legislation, based on the standing committees' powers and responsibilities set forth in Title 2 of the Navajo Nation Code. Based on its review, OLC has listed those committees in the title of this legislation. However, the Speaker may assign this legislation to any committee(s) other than those shown in the title, pursuant to his authority under 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If you find anything unacceptable, please let me know immediately and advise me of your desired changes. I can be reached at phone no. (928)871-7166 or by email at: LuraleneTapahe@navajo-nsn.gov  
Thank you for your cooperation.

THE NAVAJO NATION  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: \_0051-22\_

SPONSOR: Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

**TITLE: An Act Relating to Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$3,003,441 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFb") for the Navajo Election Administration for its Expenses in Preparation for the 2022 Navajo Nation Elections; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F), § 820(J), and § 820(L)**

**Date posted: March 09, 2022 at 5:58PM**

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**Posted: March 09, 2022 at 5:58 PM**

**5 DAY Comment Period Ended: March 14, 2022**

**Digital Comments received:**

<b>Comments Supporting</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Comments Opposing</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Comments/Recommendations</b>	<i>None</i>

  
**Legislative Tracking Secretary  
Office of Legislative Services**

**March 15, 2022; 8:30 AM**  
**Date/Time**

**24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**Fourth Year 2022**

Mr. Speaker:

The **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned

**NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL # 0051-22:**

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has had it under consideration and reports the same with the recommendation that It **Do Pass** without amendment.

And, therefore referred to the **NAABIKIYATI** Committee

Respectfully submitted,



Jamie Henio, Chairman

Adopted:   
Legislative Advisor

Not Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislative Advisor

**3 May 2022**

The vote was **5** in favor **0** opposed yeas: *Raymond Smith, Jr., Jimmy Yellowhair, Amber K. Crotty, Nathaniel Brown, Elmer P. Begay*  
Main Motion: *Elmer P. Begay*  
Second: *Nathaniel Brown*

## BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

3 May 2022

Regular Meeting

### VOTE TALLY SHEET:

**Legislation No. 0051-22:** An Act Relating to Budget and Finance and Naabikiyati Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$3,003,441 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFB") for the Navajo Election Administration for its Expenses in Preparation for the 2022 Navajo Nation Elections; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §820(E), §820(F), §820(J) and §820(L) *Sponsored by Wilson C. Stewart Jr., Council Delegate*


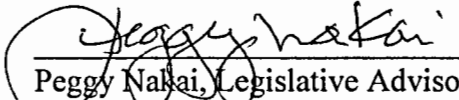
*Motion: Elmer P. Begay*

*Second: Nathaniel Brown*

*Vote: 5-0, Chairman not voting*

### Final Vote Tally:

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

  
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Jamie Henio, Chairman  
Budget & Finance Committee  
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Peggy Nakai, Legislative Advisor  
Budget & Finance Committee



# **24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE REPORT Fourth Year 2022**

The **NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

## **NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL #0051-22**

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*Sponsored by: Honorable Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.*

Has had it under consideration and reports the same that the legislation **WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL.**

Respectfully Submitted,



*Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman  
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE*

**22 June 2022**

### **MAIN MOTION**

*Motioned by: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton*

*Seconded by: Honorable Paul Begay*

*Vote: 18 in Favor, 00 Opposed (Chairman Damon Not Voting)*

# NAVAJO NATION

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6/22/2022

Naa'bik'iyati' Committee Special Meeting

04:26:38 PM

Amd# to Amd#	New Business: Item A.	PASSED
MOT Charles-Newton	-Legislation 0051-22: Approving	
SEC Begay, P	\$3,003,441 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance. . .	

Yeas : 18

Nays : 0

Excused : 3

Not Voting : 2

Yea : 18

Begay, E	Daniels	Smith	Tso, E
Begay, K	Freeland, M	Stewart, W	Tso, O
Begay, P	Halona, P	Tso, C	Walker, T
Brown	Henio, J	Tso, D	Yellowhair
Charles-Newton	Nez, R		

Nay : 0

Excused : 3

Crotty	Yazzie	Slater, C
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Not Voting : 2

Wauneka, E	James, V
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Presiding Speaker: Damon