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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0376-19

DATE: December 12, 2019

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: An action relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'íyáti; amending NABIMY-29-19 and Recommending Direct P.L. 93-638 Funding for Facility Improvement and Repairs for Greyhills Academy High School

PURPOSE: This resolution will amend NABIMY-29-19 and recommend direct P.L. 93-638 funding for Facility Improvement and Repairs for Greyhills Academy High School.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.
PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2019

INTRODUCED BY

(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0376-19

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK’IYÁTI; AMENDING NABIMY-29-19 AND RECOMMENDING DIRECT P.L. 93-638 FUNDING FOR FACILITY IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIRS FOR GREYHILLS ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITIES

A. The Navajo Nation established the Health, Education and Human Services Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee and as such empowered the committee to review and recommend resolutions regarding certain matters, including health, education and social services. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164 (A)(9), 400 (A), 401 (B)(6)(a) (2012); see also CO-45-12.

B. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik’íyáti’ Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee and as such empowered the committee "to authorize, review, approve and accept any and all contracts, grants and associated budgets with the United States, its departments and agencies for the implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, as amended upon the recommendation of the standing committee which has oversight of the division, department or program applying for the contract and/or grant." 2 N.N.C. § 701(A)(12).
SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), U.S. Department of the Interior, on July 9, 2018 provided notice to the Navajo Nation that it would fund five Facility and Repair projects at certain schools within the Navajo Nation, including projects at the Greyhills Academy High School. For each project, the Navajo Nation was given options on how each project would be managed.

B. Through resolution NABIMY-29-19, Navajo Nation proceeded with the projects. For the Greyhills Academy High School, the Navajo Nation provided notice to the BIA that the project would be managed through a "P.L. 93-638 Tribal/Federal Contract." See Exhibit A. Among the funds, one million nine hundred thousand dollars ($1,900,000.00) was awarded to Greyhills Academy for repairs to the school's alarm system, its hydraulic elevator and HVAC units. Id.

C. On June 5, 2019, the school board for the Greyhills Academy High School, by resolution 2019-001 requested the Navajo Nation "to support the transfer of $1.9 Million P.L. 93-638 Facility Improvement & Repair Funds to be transferred to Greyhills Academy High School." See Exhibit B, resolution 2019-001.

D. It is in the best interests of the Navajo Nation to permit and request direct funding of federal funds made available for the Greyhills Academy High School.

SECTION THREE. AUTHORIZING AND REQUESTING DIRECT FUNDING

A. The Navajo Nation, concerning funds granted to the Navajo Nation by the Bureau of Indian Affairs though notice dated July 9, 2018, hereby supports and recommends that the Bureau of Indian Affairs provide funding, in the amount appropriated, directly to Greyhills Academy High School. Subject to approval of this request, the school board for Greyhills Academy shall assume all responsibility for implementing the federal grant awarded the school, including all compliance requirements under federal law and regulations.

B. The President of the Navajo Nation is authorized, and shall do all things necessary, to implement the purposes and intent of this resolution.

C. Resolution NABIMY-29-19 is amended as provided by this action.