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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0134-19

DATE: May 23, 2019

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO NAABIKI'YATI';
ESTABLISHING A NEGOTIATING TEAM FOR P.L. 638 CONTRACTS

PURPOSE: This bill will establish a negotiating team for P.L. 638 contracts.

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.

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16 BE IT ENACTED:

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18 Section One. Findings

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20 1. The Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act allows Indian tribes
21 some control over management of federal programs that impact tribal government, its
22 members and resources. P.L. 93-638. See also, *www.doi.gov*.
23 2. Navajo Nation negotiates and receives several federal grants for numerous programs
24 it manages pursuant to P.L. 93-638 contracts.
25 3. Prior to final acceptance of funds under P.L. 93-638 contracts, it is necessary that the
26 Navajo Nation adequately negotiate terms on funding amounts.

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28 Section Two. Establishing 638 Negotiating Team

29 The Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby establishes a
30 negotiating team for all proposed or anticipated Navajo Nation P.L. 93-638 contracts.

1 The negotiating team shall consist of five (5) members, representing the Navajo Nation
2 Office of the President/Vice President, the Office of the Speaker, the Office of the
3 Controller, the Attorney General and the program seeking federal funds under contract.
4 Upon recommendation of the entities named herein, the Naabik'íyáti' Committee shall
5 confirmed the appointments.
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7 **Section Three. Duties and Responsibilities**

8 The duties and responsibilities of the Negotiating Team shall be as follows:

- 9 1. The entity shall only exist for the duration of the 24th Navajo Nation Council.
 - 10 2. The Negotiating Team shall meet periodically, upon duly-called meetings.
 - 11 3. The Negotiating Team shall not delay contract reviews and the approval process
12 under Navajo law. The authority of the Negotiating Team shall be limited to providing
13 recommendations and serving as an advisory role to Navajo Nation officials responsible
14 for 638 contracting.
 - 15 4. Notwithstanding the establishment of the Negotiating Team herein, the Navajo
16 Nation's procedural requirements of Title 2 for federal contracts shall remain the same.
 - 17 5. Except for necessary expenses and subject to available program funds, members
18 attending meetings shall not be compensated.
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