LEGISLATION NO: _0315-19_____  SPONSOR: Edison J. Wauneka

TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'íyáti': Approving agreement between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Navajo Nation under Public Law 93-638, Indian Self-Determination Act concerning the Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Their Families, Navajo Nation Division of Social Services, for the period of January 01, 2020 to December 31, 2024

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PURPOSE: This bill will approve an agreement between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Navajo Nation under Public Law 93-638, Indian Self-Determination Act concerning the Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Their Families, Navajo Nation Division of Social Services, concerning the period of January 01, 2020 to December 31, 2024.

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

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TRACKING NO. 0315-19

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI': APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE NAVAJO NATION UNDER PUBLIC LAW 93-638, INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION ACT CONCERNING THE NAVAJO TREATMENT CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES, NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 01, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 401(B)(6)(b), the Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review and recommend resolutions approving "Navajo Nation agreements and contracts negotiated with federal, state, regional, and tribal governments, private and Navajo Nation health and social service authorities, including environmental health, veterans services or education services subject to applicable laws of the Navajo Nation ...."

B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 701(A)(12), the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered "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."

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (Public Law 93-638) authorizes government agencies, such as the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, to enter into contracts with, and make grants directly to, federally recognized Indian tribes. The areas of agreements include health programs of the federal government.

B. The Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Their Families (NTCCF) is a program within the Navajo Nation Division of Social Services. Among other responsibilities, the program provides outpatient counseling and aftercare services to individuals, couples, groups, and families. Counseling sessions are offered either at school, at home or at NTCCF clinics. The program also makes available prevention education and provides presentations at schools, communities, chapters, departments and programs.

C. Pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975, the Navajo Nation seeks to enter a contract with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of funding and administering services and activities in regards to the Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Their Families. See Exhibit A (Agreement between Department of Health and Human Services and Navajo Nation. the Annual Funding Agreement, Scope of Work, and related budget documents).

SECTION THREE. APPROVING P.L. 93-638 AGREEMENT

Pursuant to the laws of the Navajo Nation and the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (Public Law 93-638), the Navajo Nation hereby approves the attached agreement, marked as Exhibit A, between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Navajo Nation concerning the Navajo Treatment Center for Children and Their Families, Navajo Nation Division Of Social Services, for the period January 01, 2020 to December 31, 2024.