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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET
Tracking No. 0024-20

DATE: January 28, 2020

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET INSTRUCTIONS MANUAL; CONCERNING SECTION XII SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

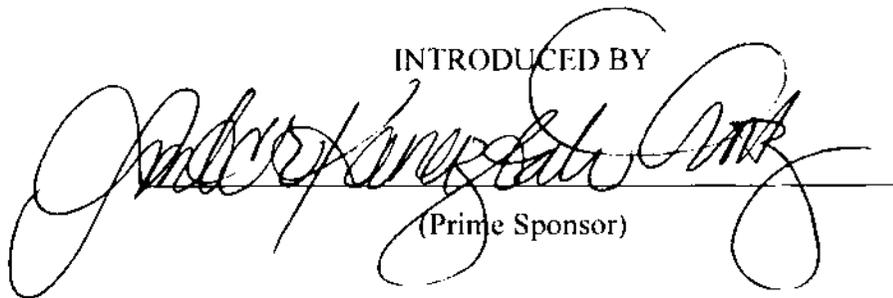
PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is approve amendments to the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Instructions Manual.

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:

17 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 18 A. The Budget and Finance Committee is empowered to promulgate rules and
19 regulations relative to contracting, investments, and financial matters. 2 N.N.C. § 301
20 (B) (1).
21 B. The Budget and Finance Committee is responsible for approving the budget
22 instructions for each fiscal year. 12 N.N.C. § 830 (H).

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24 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 25 A. The Budget Instruction Manual for Fiscal Year 2020 was approved by the Budget and
26 Finance Committee on June 3, 2019.
27 B. The Navajo Nation Appropriations Act provides that “the Navajo Nation Council
28 may adopt and approve supplemental appropriations to the Annual Comprehensive
29 Budget during the fiscal year.” Moreover, the “Controller of the Navajo Nation shall
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1 be responsible for designating recurring and non-recurring revenues and purposes.”
2 12 N.N.C. § 820 (L).

3 C. Additionally, the Appropriations Act indicates supplemental appropriation requests
4 “shall be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for budget impact
5 analysis and other appropriate action.” 12 N.N.C. § 820 (M).

6 D. The Appropriations Act defines a budget impact analysis as “an assessment by the
7 Office of Management and Budget of the fiscal consequences of funding or failing to
8 fund a particular branch, division, department, program, office, entity or activity.” 12
9 NNC. § 810(C).

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13 **SECTION THREE. AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET**
14 **INSTRUCTION MANUAL, SECTION XII. SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST**
15 **PROCEDURES.**

16 A. The Budget and Finance Committee hereby amends Budget Instruction Manual,
17 Section XII.A. as follows:

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20 **FISCAL YEAR 2020**
21 **BUDGET INSTRUCTION MANUAL**
22 **XII. SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST PROCEDURES**

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24 A. **Purpose.** Due to limited availability of funds, the Navajo Nation must carefully
25 weigh the laws, priorities and any extenuating circumstances before consideration of
26 supplemental funding requests. Further, the Navajo Nation must consider obligations
27 in terms of mandates ordered by the courts, required match funding to capture
28 external funds, the health and safety of the general public and emergencies which
29 may arise during the course of the fiscal year.

1 All supplemental funding requests shall be submitted through the Navajo Nation
2 official review process before consideration by the appropriate oversight committee,
3 Budget and Finance Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council. OMB will review all
4 written analysis and recommendations and prioritize supplemental funding requests
5 for consideration.
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7 Once the budget is provided to OMB by the delegate sponsoring the legislation, OMB
8 shall prepare a budget impact analysis. The budget impact analysis is defined within
9 the Navajo Nation Appropriations at 12 NNC § 810(C) as "an assessment by the
10 Office of Management and Budget of the fiscal consequences of funding or failing to
11 fund a particular branch, division, department, program, office, entity, or activity."
12 OMB shall limit its analysis to the budget documents provided.
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14 **SECTION FOUR. APPROVAL**

15 This amendment shall be effective upon Budget and Finance Committee's approval and shall
16 remain in effect unless amended by the Budget and Finance Committee.
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18 **SECTION FIVE. DIRECTIVE TO OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET**

- 19 A. The Office of Management and Budget is directed to make the changes approved in
20 Section Three of this resolution to the Budget Instruction Manual for Fiscal Year
21 2020.
- 22 B. The Office of Management and Budget is further directed that any changes made to
23 the Fiscal 2020 Budget Instruction Manual for inclusion into the Fiscal Year 2021
24 Budget Instruction Manual shall be summarized and provided to the Budget and
25 Finance Committee prior to the approval of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Instruction
26 Manual.
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