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LEGISLATION NO: \_0167-19\_\_\_\_\_

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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education And Human Services And Naabik'iyáti' Committees And Navajo Nation Council; Amending CJY-57-18, Titled "Relating To An Emergency For The Navajo Nation; Approving Supplemental Funding From The Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance In The Amount Of Six Million Three Hundred Thirty-three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three (\$6,333,333) To The Navajo Head Start Program, Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820 (E) And (F)"; Allowing The Navajo Nation Head Start Program To Use Supplemental Funds To Pay Past Due Bills And Other Debts**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0167-19

**DATE:** June 20, 2019

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; AMENDING CJY-57-18, TITLED "RELATING TO AN EMERGENCY FOR THE NAVAJO NATION; APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF SIX MILLION THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE (\$6,333,333) TO THE NAVAJO HEAD START PROGRAM, WAIVING 12 N.N.C. §820 (E) AND (F)"; ALLOWING THE NAVAJO NATION HEAD START PROGRAM TO USE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS TO PAY PAST DUE BILLS AND OTHER DEBTS**

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this legislation is to amend CJY-57-18 to allow the Navajo Nation Head Start Program to use the supplemental approved in FY 2018 to be used to pay past due bills and other debts.

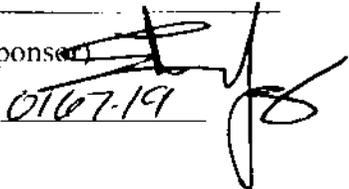
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Navajo Nation Council

1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
2 24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – First Year 2019

3 INTRODUCED BY

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18 TO USE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS TO PAY PAST DUE BILLS AND OTHER  
19 DEBTS  
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21 BE IT ENACTED:

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23 **Section One. Authority**

- 24 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council  
25 is empowered to oversee the Department of Diné Education. The Navajo Nation Head  
26 Start Program falls under the Department of Diné Education. 2 N.N.C. § 401(C)(1).  
27 B. The Naa'bik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review  
28 all proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2  
29 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).  
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1 C. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102  
2 (A).

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4 **Section Two. Findings**

5 A. The Navajo Nation approved Council Resolution CJY-57-18, attached as **Exhibit A**,  
6 titled "Relating to an Emergency for the Navajo Nation: Approving Supplemental  
7 Funding From the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the Amount of Six Million  
8 Three Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three (\$6,333,333) to the  
9 Navajo Head Start Program, Waiving 12 N.N.C. §820 (E) And (F)" for Head Start to  
10 continue "to provide direct services to the 2,105 funded slots under the Head Start and  
11 Early Head Start programs." Exhibit A, Section 2, Paragraph B.

12 B. The Resolution was offered as an emergency since it impacted the Navajo Nation's  
13 ability to provide direct services. Exhibit A, Section 1, Paragraph C.

14 C. The supplemental appropriation was approved to be "used as matching funds and/or  
15 in-kind to the federal grant for Head Start appropriation or grant to the Navajo Nation  
16 for FY 2018 and later years." Exhibit A, Section 3, Paragraph A.

17 D. Navajo Nation Head Start requests the approval for supplemental funding be  
18 amended to include unpaid bills and other debts that cannot be paid through its  
19 current funding.

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21 **Section Three. Proposed Amendment to CJY-57-18**

22 The Navajo Nation hereby amends Council Resolution, CJY-57-18, Section Three,  
23 Paragraph A, as follows:

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25 This supplemental appropriation of \$6,333,333 shall be from that amount of funds that  
26 exceeds the minimum fund balance of the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance as  
27 determined by the Office of the Controller and to Business Unit Number, NEW. The  
28 appropriation may be used as matching funds and/or in-kind to the federal grant for  
29 Headstart appropriation or grant to the Navajo Nation for FY 2018 and later years.

1 Additionally, the Navajo Nation Head Start Program is permitted to use this supplemental  
2 appropriation to pay past due bills and other debts.

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4 **Section Four. Approval**

5 The Navajo Nation approves the amendment as indicated in Section Three above.  
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