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**TITLE: An Action Relating To Budget And Finance And NAABIK'IYATI' Committees; Accepting And Implementing The Indirect Cost (IDC) Negotiation Agreement With The U.S. Department Of Interior, Interior Business Center For Fiscal Year 2019**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**  
**Tracking No. 0236-19**

**DATE:** July 24, 2019

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING, ACCEPTING, AND IMPLEMENTING THE INDIRECT COST (IDC) NEGOTIATION AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, INTERIOR BUSINESS CENTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this legislation is to approve the FY 2019 Indirect Cost Rate for the approved for the Navajo Nation by Interior Business Center.

**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.**

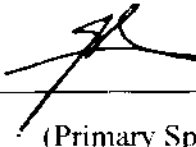
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Budget & Finance Committee  
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Naabik'iyáti' Committee

1 PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

2 24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL—FIRST YEAR, 2019

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10 AN ACTION

11 RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES;  
12 APPROVING, ACCEPTING, AND IMPLEMENTING THE INDIRECT COST (IDC)  
13 NEGOTIATION AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR,  
14 INTERIOR BUSINESS CENTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019  
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17 BE IT ENACTED:

18 **Section One. Authority**

- 19 A. Intergovernmental agreements are agreements between the Navajo Nation and another  
20 government that involve the sharing of governmental powers, and include Indian Self-  
21 Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 638) contracts. 2 N.N.C. § 110(J).  
22 B. The Budget and Finance Committee is empowered to authorize, review, approve and  
23 accept agreements between the Navajo Nation and any federal authority upon the  
24 recommendation of the standing committee which has oversight over the division,  
25 department, or program making the request. 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(15).  
26 C. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has made the request and the Budget and  
27 Finance Committee has oversight of OMB. 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(13).  
28 D. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation  
29 standing committee and empowered the committee to "review and approve the  
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1 negotiation and setting of the Navajo Nation's indirect cost or administrative code rate  
2 agreements with the cognizant federal agency." 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A) and 701(A)(10).  
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#### 4 **Section Two. Findings**

- 5 A. The Interior Business Center (IBC) submitted the Indian Organizations Indirect Cost  
6 (IDC) Negotiation Agreement to the Navajo Nation with a letter dated July 9, 2019.  
7 These documents are included in **Exhibit A**.
- 8 B. The proposed rate in the IDC Negotiation Agreement is 15.85% for the time period from  
9 10/1/2018 to 09/30/2019.
- 10 C. OMB submitted a memorandum to the 164 reviewers describing the process to accept the  
11 IDC rate. Accordingly, OMB, the Office of the Controller and the Department of Justice  
12 have indicated the documents are sufficient. See **Exhibit B**.
- 13 D. Entering into the Indian Organization Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement is in the  
14 Navajo Nation's best interest.  
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#### 16 **Section Three. Approval of IDC Negotiation Agreement**

- 17 A. The Navajo Nation approves, accepts, and implements the Indian Organizations IDC  
18 Negotiation Agreement with the U.S. Department of the Interior, Interior Business Center  
19 included in **Exhibit A**.
- 20 B. The Navajo Nation authorizes the Navajo Nation President, or his designee, to execute  
21 the Indian Organizations IDC Negotiation Agreement.  
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