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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0225-20

DATE: September 11, 2020

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES; AMENDING THE PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE NAVAJO NATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will revise the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Plan of Operation.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each committee member to review the proposed resolution in detail.

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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Second Year, 2020

INTRODUCED BY



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AN ACTION
RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN
SERVICES; AMENDING THE PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE NAVAJO NATION
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council empowered to provide legislative oversight over lending programs, including the promulgation of rules and regulations for lending money to members of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 301 (B)(12).
- B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council empowered to exercise oversight authority on laws and policies affecting veteran services 2 N.N.C. §§ 400(C)(3) and 401 (C)(6).
- C. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1035, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee is further empowered to exercise final approval of the plan of operation for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration. *See*, CJA-3-16 and CJY-55-18.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- 1 A. The Plan of Operation for the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration was approved and
2 adopted by the Health, Education and Human Services Committee through Resolution No.
3 HEHSCAU-12-16, attached as **Exhibit 1**.
- 4 B. Pursuant to its Plan of Operations adopted by HEHSCAU-12-16, attached as **Exhibit 1-A**,
5 the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration is empowered to recommend policies and
6 legislations regarding Veterans to the Navajo Nation Council through the Health,
7 Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council consistent with
8 applicable governmental laws and policies. **Exhibit 1-A**, Section III (D).
- 9 C. The Navajo Nation Veterans Administration recommends that its current Plan of
10 Operation, adopted by HEHSCAU-12-16, attached as **Exhibit 1-A**, be amended as set forth
11 in **Exhibit 2**.
- 12 D. The Navajo Nation Veterans Administration consulted with the Veterans Advisory Council
13 on the proposed amendments to the Plan of Operation; the Veterans Advisory Council
14 supports the proposed amendments to the Plan of Operation as set forth in NNVAC-07-
15 20, attached as **Exhibit 3**.
- 16 C. The proposed Plan of Operation, set forth in **Exhibit 2**, was reviewed by the Navajo Nation
17 Department of Justice and deemed legally sufficient as set forth in **Exhibit 4**.

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19 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

20 The Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council
21 hereby approves the amendments to the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Plan of
22 Operations as set forth in **Exhibit 2**.

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24 **SECTION FOUR. SAVINGS CLAUSE**

25 Should any portion of the action adopted herein be determined invalid by the Navajo
26 Nation Supreme Court, or the District Courts of the Navajo Nation without appeal to the
27 Navajo Nation Supreme Court, those portions of the action which are not determined invalid
28 shall remain the law of the Nation.

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