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TITLE: An Action Relating To The Health, Education And Human Services Committee, Amending The Plan Of Operation For The Office Of Standards, Curriculum, And Assessment Development Under The Department Of Diné Education

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0005-21

DATE: December 7, 2020

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, AMENDING THE PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE OFFICE OF STANDARDS, CURRICULUM, AND ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DINÉ EDUCATION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is for the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee to approve amendments to the Plan of Operation for the Office of Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment Development under the Department of Diné Education.

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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
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10 AN ACTION

11 RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES
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13 STANDARDS, CURRICULUM, AND ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT UNDER
14 THE DEPARTMENT OF DINÉ EDUCATION

15 BE IT ENACTED:

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17 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 18 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is the oversight committee
19 for Department of Diné Education and as such is empowered to adopt, amend, or
20 rescind its Plan of Operation. 2 N.N.C. § 401(C)(1).
21 B. The Office of Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment Development (“OSCAD”)
22 is an Office under the Department of Diné Education.

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24 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 25 A. The Plan of Operation for the Office of Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment
26 Development was adopted by the Government Services Committee of the Navajo
27 Nation in Resolution No. GSCO-44-10. **Exhibit 1, Subexhibit A-2.**
28 B. A strike-thru/underline version showing the currently proposed amendments to
29 the Plan of Operation for the Office of Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment
30 Development is attached as **Exhibit 2.**

- 1 C. The Navajo Nation Department of Justice has reviewed the proposed amendments
2 to the Plan of Operation for OSCAD and has determined the proposed
3 amendments to be legally sufficient. The Department of Justice review documents
4 are attached as **Exhibit 3**.
- 5 D. On February 13, 2020, the Navajo Nation Board of Education approved the
6 proposed amendments to OSCAD's Plan of Operation. Navajo Nation Board of
7 Education Resolution No. NNBEFE-601-2020, dated February 13, 2020, is
8 attached as **Exhibit 4**.
- 9 E. The Acting Education Program Manager for OSCAD, Maggie Benally, has
10 written a timeline regarding the previous review and consideration of legislation
11 to amend the OSCAD Plan of Operation. This timeline is attached as **Exhibit 5**.
12 This timeline shows that amending legislation was considered by the Health,
13 Education and Human Services Committee on October 16, 2019 (tabled), on
14 March 11, 2020 (tabled/deleted from agenda), on June 10, 2020 (loss of quorum),
15 and again on June 24, 2020 (tabled).
- 16 F. According to Maggie Benally, and the Office of Legislative Counsel, the version
17 of the currently proposed amendments desired by the OSCAD that is attached
18 hereto as **Exhibit 2** is substantially the same version that was deemed "legally
19 sufficient" by the Navajo Nation Department of Justice, that was approved by the
20 Navajo Nation Board of Education in Resolution No. NNBEFE-601-2020, and
21 was presented to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee most
22 recently on June 24, 2020.
- 23 G. Approval of the proposed amendments shown in **Exhibit 2** will improve the
24 delivery and quality of services provided by the OSCAD.

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26 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

27 The Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council
28 hereby approves the amendments to the Plan of Operation for the Office of Standards,
29 Curriculum, and Assessment Development of the Department of Dinè Education, as
30 shown in **Exhibit 2**.