TITLE: An Action Related to Law and Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyáti Committees; Approving and Authorizing a Contract Between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior Under 25 U.S.C § 5301 et. seq (P.L. 93-638, as Amended), for a Five (5) Year Term for the Period Beginning January 1, 2022 and Ending December 31, 2026 for the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch-Tribal Courts; Approving and Authorizing the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch-Tribal Courts Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work

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PURPOSE: An action related to the Law and Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyati’ Committees; approving and authorizing a contract between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a five (5) year period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2026, for the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch – Tribal Courts; approving and authorizing the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch – Tribal Courts Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work.

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.
PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Third Year, 2021

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TRACKING NO. 0170-21

AN ACTION
RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A
CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES
AS AMENDED), FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING
JANUARY 1, 2022 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026 FOR THE NAVAJO
NATION JUDICIAL BRANCH-TRIBAL COURTS; APPROVING AND
AUTHORIZING THE NAVAJO NATION JUDICIAL BRANCH-TRIBAL COURTS
FISCAL YEAR 2022 ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY
A. The Law and Order Committee is established as a standing committee of the Navajo
Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 600.
B. The Law and Order Committee is the oversight committee for the Judicial Branch of
the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 601(C)(1).
C. The Budget and Finance Committee is established as a standing committee of the
Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 300.
D. The Budget and Finance Committee is authorized to approve and accept contracts from federal authorities upon the recommendation of the standing committee which has oversight of the program which requested the contract. 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(15).


SECTION TWO. FINDINGS
A. The Annual Funding Agreement between the Department of Interior and the Navajo Nation is a self-determination contract under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act and as such is an intergovernmental agreement.

B. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to enter into a contract with the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs for the contract term as set forth in the documents attached as Exhibit A.

C. The proposed contract, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended), between the Navajo Nation and United States Department of Interior, has been endorsed by requisite reviewers and is determined legally sufficient and eligible for signature. See Exhibit B.

SECTION THREE. APPROVALS
A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes a contract between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a five (5) year period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2026 for Judicial Branch-Tribal Courts as set forth in the documents attached as Exhibit A.

B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch, Tribal Courts for the contract term as set forth in the documents attached as Exhibit A.
C. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Chief Justice of the Navajo Nation to execute and effectuate the Contract, Annual Funding Agreement, and Scope of Work, provided the terms and conditions in such documents are substantially similar to those approved by this resolution.