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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Health Education and Human Services, Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iváti' Committees; Supporting and Recommending the Passage of United States Senate Bill 1740 Titled "Schools and State Budgets Certainty Act of 2021"**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0014-22

**DATE:** January 7, 2022

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE PASSAGE OF UNITED STATES SENATE BILL 1740 TITLED "SCHOOLS AND STATE BUDGETS CERTAINTY ACT OF 2021"

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will provide Navajo Nation support for U.S. Senate Bill 1740 titled "Schools and State Budgets Certainty Act of 2021."

**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.**

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: Johnson  
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Health Education & Human Services Committee  
Thence  
Resources & Development Committee  
Thence  
Budget & Finance Committee  
Thence  
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2022

INTRODUCED BY



(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0014-22

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES,  
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND  
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING AND RECOMMENDING THE  
PASSAGE OF UNITED STATES SENATE BILL 1740 TITLED "SCHOOLS AND  
STATE BUDGETS CERTAINTY ACT OF 2021"

**WHEREAS:**

- A. The Navajo Nation has a government-to-government relationship with the United States of America, Treaty of 1868, Aug. 12, 1868, 15 Stat. 667.
- B. The Navajo Nation established the Health Education and Human Resources Committee as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council empowered to review and recommend resolutions relating to education and to represent the Navajo Nation at local, state and federal levels, in coordination with the President of the Navajo Nation and the Naabik'iyáti' Committee, on proposed legislation, funding and other actions affecting education. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400 (C)(6)(a) and (C)(7)(a).
- C. The Navajo Nation established the Resources and Development Committee as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council empowered to exercise oversight authority over minerals. 2 N.N.C. § 500 (C).

1 D. The Navajo Nation established the Budget and Finance Committee as a standing  
2 committee of the Navajo Nation Council empowered to exercise oversight over  
3 budget and finance matters for the purpose of recommending to the Navajo Nation  
4 Council the adoption of resolutions designed to strengthen the fiscal and financial  
5 position of the Navajo Nation and to promote the efficient use of the fiscal and  
6 financial resources of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 300 (C)(3).

7 E. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'íyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation  
8 Council standing committee and as such empowered the Naabik'íyáti' Committee  
9 to assist and coordinate all requests for information, appearances and testimony  
1 relating to proposed county, state and federal legislation impacting the Navajo  
2 Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164(A)(9), 701(A)(4), 701(A)(6)..

3 F. On May 20, 2021, the Schools and State Budgets Certainty Act of 2021 (S. 1740)  
4 – sponsored by Senator Heinrich – was introduced to the 117<sup>th</sup> United States  
5 Congress – 1<sup>st</sup> Session. S. 1740 is attached as **Exhibit A**.

6 G. S. 1740 is a bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to make energy transition  
7 payments to States, counties, and Indian Tribes to replace Federal mineral revenues  
8 lost as result of changes in Federal policy, and for other purposes. **Exhibit A**.

9 H. It is within the best interest of the Navajo Nation to support and recommend the  
1 passage of S. 1740.

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5 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

6 A. The Navajo Nation hereby supports and recommends the passage of the Schools  
7 and State Budgets Certainty Act of 2021, S. 1740, attached as **Exhibit A**.

8 B. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Navajo Nation President, Navajo Nation  
9 Council and their respective designees, to advocate for and support the passage of  
1 the Schools and State Budgets Certainty Act of 2021, S. 1740.