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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Law and Order Committee; Approving and Recommending to the Budget and Finance Committee the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety and Related Matters, to be included in the Navajo Nation's Comprehensive Budget for Fiscal Year 2023**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

**Tracking No.** 0120-22

**DATE:** July 20, 2022

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO THE LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFETY

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this resolution, if passed, is to approve and recommend to the Law and Order Committee the Proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety.

**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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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
2 24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2022

3 Introduced by:

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10 AN ACTION  
11 RELATING TO THE LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE; APPROVING  
12 AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
13 THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF  
14 PUBLIC SAFETY AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE INCLUDED IN THE  
15 NAVAJO NATION’S COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023

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17 BE IT ENACTED:

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19 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

20 A. The Law and Order Committee (“LOC”) is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation  
21 Council with oversight authority over the Judicial Branch. 2 N.N.C. §600(A); 2 N.N.C.  
22 §601(C)(1).

23 B. Each Oversight Committee, including the LOC, shall review and make recommendations  
24 regarding the programs under its oversight responsibility, regarding the Navajo Nation’s  
25 Comprehensive Budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year. 12 N.N.C. §840(A).

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27 SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

28 A. In accordance with 12 N.N.C. §840(A), the LOC held hearings and took relevant testimony  
29 regarding the FY2023 Budget for the Division of Public Safety.

30 B. During these budget meetings, the LOC reviewed and considered the proposed FY2023

1 Budget for the Division of Public Safety., as commented upon by members of the public.

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3 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND**  
4 **FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET**  
5 **FOR THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFTEY AND RELATED**  
6 **MATTERS**

7 A. The Law and Order Committee hereby approves the FY2023 Budget for the Division of  
8 Public Safety., as detailed in the “Fund Type Budget Summary” attached hereto as **Exhibit**  
9 **A.**

10 B. The LOC hereby approves certain revisions to the Branch Chiefs’ proposed FY2023 Budget  
11 amount for the Division of Public Safety., as shown in Columns D and E in the “General  
12 Fund Comparative Summary” attached hereto as **Exhibit B.**

13 C. The LOC recommends the changes to the General Fund Budget described in **Exhibit C.**

14 D. The LOC recommends certain Conditions of Appropriation and Legislative Concerns, as  
15 listed in **Exhibit D.**

16 E. The LOC recommends that certain Unmet Needs for the Division of Public Safety. be  
17 included in the FY2023 Comprehensive Budget, as explained in **Exhibit E.**

18 F. The LOC hereby recommends that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the Division  
19 of Public Safety. proposed FY2023 Budget and all Committee recommendations, as set forth  
20 in **Exhibits A - E**

21 G. As necessary and appropriate, the LOC hereby authorizes the LOC Chair and Vice-Chair to  
22 negotiate the LOC’s recommendations herein with the Budget and Finance Committee.

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24 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

25 This Act shall become effective as provided in 2 N.N.C. §189(A).

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27 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

28 If any portion of this Action is determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or by  
29 a District Court of the Navajo Nation without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, the  
30 remainder of this Act shall be the law of the Navajo Nation.