



**PROPOSED AGENDA OF THE
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**SPRING SESSION
APRIL 17 – 21, 2023
10:00 AM**

**Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Call-in Number: (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 928 871 7160

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PRESIDING: Honorable Crystalyne Curley, Speaker, 25th Navajo Nation Council

1. CALL SESSION TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION
(m) (s) (v)
2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS TO THE NAVAJO NATION
3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA
(m) (s) (v)
4. RECEIVE THE STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE NAVAJO NATION
(m) (s) (v)
5. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE NAVAJO NATION
(m) (s) (v)
6. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
(m) (s) (v)
7. RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE CONTROLLER
(m) (s) (v)

8. ORAL REPORTS

- A. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) (m) (s) (v)
- B. Indian Health Services (IHS) (m) (s) (v)
- C. Attorney General (m) (s) (v)
- D. Navajo Nation Youth Advisory Council (m) (s) (v)

9. WRITTEN REPORTS

- A. Standing Committees (m) (s) (v)
- B. Boards and Commissions (m) (s) (v)
- C. Bureau of Indian Affairs (m) (s) (v)
- D. Indian Health Services Area Director (m) (s) (v)

10. OLD BUSINESS NONE

11. NEW BUSINESS

- (A) **LEGISLATION 0014-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Casey Allen Johnson's Delegate Region (Chapters: Cameron, Coalmine Canyon, Birdsprings, Leupp, Tolani Lake) (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson

(m) (s) (v)

- (B) **LEGISLATIVE 0017-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Amending CD-61-22, The Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Vince R. James' Delegate Region (Chapters: Jeddito, Cornfields, Ganado, Kinlichee, Steamboat), to Include Additional Projects for this Delegate Region (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James

(m) (s) (v)

- (C) **LEGISLATION 0019-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Plan for Honorable Germaine Simonson's Delegate Region (Chapters: Hard Rock, Forest Lake, Pinon, Black Mesa, Whippoorwill) (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Germaine Simonson

(m) (s) (v)

- (D) **LEGISLATION 0022-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and to the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Helena Nez Begay's Delegate Region (Chapters: Coppermine, K'aibii'to, Lechee, Tonalea/Red Lake, Bodaway/Gap) (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Helena Nez Begay

(m) (s) (v)

- (E) **LEGISLATION 0033-23:** An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Health, Education and Human Services, Law and Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo

Nation Council; Establishing the San Juan River Mitigation Fund; Directing the Monies Received from *In Re: Gold Mine King Release in San Juan County, Colorado on August 15, 2015*; No 1:18-md-02824 (D.N.M) and Underlying and Related Actions be Deposited in the San Juan River Mitigation Fund After Reimbursement of Litigation Costs. **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Rickie Nez

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- (F) **LEGISLATIVE 0034-23**: An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Law and Order, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$1,500,000 from the HOT/Tourism Fund for the Navajo Tourism Department, Amending 24 N.N.C §741 to Allow Revenue in the HOT/Tourism Fund to be Used by All Navajo Nation Programs for Tourism-Related Purposes, and Rescinding Resolution No. CS-45-22**(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles Newton

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- (G) **LEGISLATION 0036-23**: An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Steven R. Arviso's Delegate Region (Chapters: Churchrock, Iyanbito, Mariano Lake, Pinedale, Smith Lake, Thoreau) **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Steven R. Arviso

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- (H) **LEGISLATION 0037-23**: An Action Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Norman M. Begay's Delegate Region (Chapters: Alamo, Ramah, Tohajiilee) **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Norman M. Begay

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- (I) **LEGISLATION 0050-23**: An Action Relating to Budget and Finance, Resources and Development, Health, Education and Human Services, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$2,000,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFB") for the 110 Chapters' Summer 2023 Youth Employment Programs; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820 (F), §820 (J), and §820 (L) to Allow Use of UUFB Funds for Recurring Chapter Expenses **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson

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- (J) **LEGISLATION 0051-23**: An Act Relating to the Law and Order, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CJA-01-18 Relating to Agreements Not Requiring Navajo Nation Council or Committee Approval, to Provide for Transparency and Accountability **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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- (K) **LEGISLATION 0052-23:** An Act Relating to the Law and Order, Resources and Development, and Naabik'iyati' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending 2 N.N.C. §104 and 11 N.N.C §8(B) to Prohibit Council Delegates from Serving as Board Members and Shareholder Representatives for Navajo Nation-Owned Instrumentalities **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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- (L) **LEGISLATION 0058-23:** An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance, Resources and Development and Naabik'iyati' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$3,879,180 from the Sihasin Fund for a New Navajo Nation Modular Office Building in Crownpoint; Approving the Related Expenditure Plan **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Danny Simpson

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Norman M. Begay

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- (M) **LEGISLATION 0060-23:** An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance, Health, Education and Human Services, and Naabik'iyati' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$863,570 from the Sihasin Fund to the Office of Dine Youth to Cover a Funding Shortfall for the Crownpoint Youth Complex; Approving the Related Expenditure Plan. **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Danny Simpson

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- (N) **LEGISLATION 0064-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyati' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Shaandiin Parrish's Delegate Region (Chapters: Chilchinbeto, Dennehotso, Kayenta) **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Shaandiin Parrish

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- (O) **LEGISLATION 0067-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyati' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Nathan Notah's Delegate Region (Chapters: Coyote Canyon, Mexican Springs, Naschitti, Tohatchi, Bahastl'a'a') **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Nathan Notah

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- (P) **LEGISLATION 0068-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyati' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Herman Daniels, Jr's Delegate Region (Chapters: Tsah Bii Kin, Navajo Mountain, Shonto, Oljato) (2/3)

SPONSOR: Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Crystalyne Curley

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- (Q) **LEGISLATION 0016-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyati' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Shawnevan Dale as the Executive Director of the Division of General Services

SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James

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- (R) **LEGISLATION 0021-23:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and the Naabik'iyati' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the President's Appointment of Garrett Silversmith as the Executive Director of the Navajo Division of Transportation

SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James

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- (S) **LEGISLATION 0026-23:** An Act Relating to Law and Order, Health, Education and Human Services, Resources and Development, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyati' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Amending CAP-35-18, as Amended by CJA-03-21, to Extend Síhasin Funds Reversion Deadlines for all Projects to 72 Months

SPONSOR: Honorable Danny Simpson
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Cherilyn Yazzie
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Helena Nez Begay
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Shaandiin Parrish

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- (T) **LEGISLATION 0030-23:** An Action Relating to Naabik'iyati' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Justin Ahasteen as the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Washington Office

SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty

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- (U) **LEGISLATION 0031-23:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyati' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Thomas Cody as the Executive Director of the Division of Social Services

SPONSOR: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Norman M. Begay

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- (V) **LEGISLATION 0032-23:** An Action Relating to Law and Order Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Heather Clah as the Navajo Nation Deputy Attorney General

SPONSOR: Honorable Rickie Nez

(m) (s) (v)

- (W) **LEGISLATION 0040-23:** An Action Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Nominations of the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and the Navajo Nation President to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission

SPONSOR: Honorable Crystalyne Curley

(m) (s) (v)

- (X) **LEGISLATION 0042-23:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Debbie-Nez-Manuel as the Executive Director of the Division of Human Resources

SPONSOR: Honorable Vince R. James

(m) (s) (v)

- (Y) **LEGISLATION 0044-23:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Adopting the Latest International Building Code (ICC's 2021 International Building Code) as Applicable to Commercial and Government Buildings Constructed by the Navajo Nation Government and its Entities and Political Subdivisions

SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles Newton

(m) (s) (v)

- (Z) **LEGISLATION 0048-23:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Calvin Castillo as Division Director for the Navajo Nation Division of Community Development

SPONSOR: Honorable Danny Simpson
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Brenda Jesus

(m) (s) (v)

- (AA) **LEGISLATIVE 0049-23:** An Action Relating to Law and Order and Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Ethel B. Branch as the Navajo Nation Attorney General

SPONSOR: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson

CO-SPONSOR: Steven R. Arviso

(m) (s) (v)

- (BB) **LEGISLATION 0053-23:** An Action Relating to Law and Order and Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Enacting the "Navajo Nation Victim's Rights Act of 2023"; Amending Title 17 of the Navajo Nation Code

SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanaabah Crotty
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

(m) (s) (v)

- (CC) **LEGISLATION 0054-23:** An Action Relating to Law and Order and Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending 2 N.N.C. § 852 to Increase the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission Membership to add Representation for the Chilchinbeto Community

SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

(m) (s) (v)

- (DD) **LEGISLATION 0055-23:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Steven B. Etsitty as Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency

SPONSOR: Honorable Brenda Jesus
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson

(m) (s) (v)

- (EE) **LEGISLATION 0056-23:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance, Health, Education and Human Services, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Use of Title IV-E Funds by the Navajo Division of Social Services

SPONSOR: Honorable Andy Nez

(m) (s) (v)

- (FF) **LEGISLATION 0059-23:** An Action Relating to Budget and Finance, Resource and Development, Health, Education and Human Services, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending CAP-39-18 to Extend the Síhasin Funds Reversion Deadline for Navajo Technical University's Crownpoint Campus Student Housing Expenditure Plan

SPONSOR: Honorable Danny Simpson

(m) (s) (v)

(GG) **LEGISLATION 0061-23:** An Action Relating to Resource and Development Committee, Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Confirming Wilder Mike Halona as Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources Executive Director

SPONSOR: Honorable Rickie Nez

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Shawna Ann Claw

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(HH) **LEGISLATION 0062-23:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$1,573,288 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to the Division of Social Services for a Grant to St. Michaels Association for Special Education.

SPONSOR: Honorable Brenda Jesus

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Andy Nez

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(II) **LEGISLATION 0065-23:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Amending CD-68-22 and the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Delegate Region Project Plan for Honorable Andy Nez, PH.D's Delegate Region (Chapters: Crystal, Fort Defiance, Red Lake, Sawmill)

SPONSOR: Honorable Andy Nez

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12. CLOSE OF SESSION; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE: The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committee at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §§ 163 and 183, Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7, and Standing Committee Rule of Order No. 8.

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