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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education, and Human Services
Committee; Confirming the Reappointment of Nona Lou Etsitty to the Navajo
Nation Labor Commission

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0153-23

DATE: July 11, 2023

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE; CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF NONA LOU ETSITTY TO THE NAVAJO NATION LABOR COMMISSION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this proposed resolution is to reappoint Ms. Nona Lou Etsitty to the Navajo Nation Labor Commission.

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.

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13 TO THE NAVAJO NATION LABOR COMMISSION

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15 BE IT ENACTED:

16 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 17 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee
18 of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 400(A).
19 B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee oversees the Navajo
20 Nation's efforts in implementing and ensuring compliance with employment and
21 labor laws and policies of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 400(C)(3).
22 C. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is authorized to appoint
23 two members to the Navajo Nation Labor Commission. 15 N.N.C. § 303.

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25 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 26 A. The Navajo Nation Labor Commission is established to "hear and adjudicate
27 cases as the quasi-judicial hearing body under the Navajo Preference in
28 Employment Act." 15 N.N.C. §302(A).
29 B. The membership of the Navajo Nation Labor Commission consists of five
30 members. 15 N.N.C. § 303(A). All five members must be licensed by the Navajo

1 Nation Bar Association. 15 N.N.C. § 303(B)(2). Of the five, two members must
2 be state licensed attorneys, in Arizona, New Mexico or Utah. 15 N.N.C. §
3 303(B)(3).

4 C. Two of the members of the Labor Commission are appointed by the Health,
5 Education and Human Services Committee. 15 N.N.C. § 303(A). Three are
6 appointed by the President of the Navajo Nation, with concurrence of the
7 Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 15 N.N.C. § 303(A).

8 D. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee previously appointed Ms.
9 Nona Lou Etsitty in Resolution HEHSCJN-08-18, on June 6, 2018.

10 E. Ms. Etsitty submitted a letter of interest, attached as **Exhibit A**, to continue
11 serving on the Navajo Nation Labor Commission.

12 F. Ms. Etsitty meets the qualifications set forth at 15 N.N.C. § 303 (B)(3) as she is a
13 member of the Navajo Nation Bar Association. Ms. Etsitty's resumé attached as
14 **Exhibit B**.

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16 **SECTION THREE. APPOINTMENT CONFIRMATION**

17 The Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby confirms the
18 reappointment of Ms. Nona Lou Etsitty to the Navajo Nation Labor Commission. Ms.
19 Etsitty shall serve a 4-year term to commence on the day of her confirmation by the
20 Health, Education and Human Services Committee.