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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET
Tracking No. 0160-23

DATE: July 27, 2023

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: A PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; RESCINDING RCJN-86-01 EDCAU-60-03, AND EDCJY-35-09; AND, APPROVING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURES

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to rescind Resolutions RCJN-86-01, EDCAU-60-03 and EDCJY-35-09. This legislation, if approved, would approve the Oversight Committee Budget Meeting Procedures for Fiscal Year 2024.

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 legislation in detail.

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11 RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; RESCINDING RCJN-86-01
12 EDCAU-60-03, AND EDCJY-35-09; AND, APPROVING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
13 BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURES

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15 BE IT ENACTED:

16 **Section One. Authority**

- 17 A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo
18 Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A).
- 19 B. "References in the Navajo Nation Code and other official documents to the
20 Resources, Transportation and Community Development and Economic
21 Development Committees shall mean the Resources and Development Committee,
22 unless the amendments enacted herein for the context of previous law indicates
23 otherwise." CO-45-12 Section Five; CJA-03-13 overriding the Navajo Nation
24 President's veto of CO-45-12.
- 25 C. "Each oversight committee shall review and make recommendations to the Budget
26 and Finance Committee concerning the budget in accordance with the annual
27 budget instructions. The oversight committees may hold public hearings at each
28 agency with programs under their oversight and take testimony on the budget. The
29 oversight committees shall make recommendations concerning the budget and pass
30 resolutions recommending appropriations and conditions of appropriations for

1 activities within their respective areas of oversight to the Budget and Finance
2 Committee pursuant to the time-lines established in the Budget Instructions
3 Manual." 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).
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5 **Section Two. Findings**

- 6 A. The former Resources Committee approved Resolution RCJN-86-01, attached as
7 **Exhibit 1**. The former Economic Development Committee approved Resolutions
8 EDCAU-60-03, attached as **Exhibit 2**, and EDCJY-35-09, attached as **Exhibit 3**.
9 The resolutions approved rules for conducting budget hearings.
- 10 B. The Resources and Development Committee used Resolution RCJN-86-01 during
11 the fiscal year 2023 budget season. The Resources and Development Committee
12 was unaware of Resolutions EDCAU-60-03 and EDCJY-35-09 which had not been
13 rescinded.
- 14 C. In the interest of treating each of the three resolutions with equal weight and with
15 the goal of having uniform standing committee budget procedures for conducting
16 standing committee budget meetings, Resolutions RCJN-86-01, EDCAU-60-03
17 and EDCJY-35-09 should be rescinded.
- 18 D. In the interest of adopting uniform standing committee procedures for conducting
19 the Fiscal Year 2024 budget meetings, PROCEDURES FOR OVERSIGHT
20 COMMITTEE MEETINGS, PROGRAM BUDGETS FOR FY2024, are proposed
21 for approval. The document PROCEDURES FOR OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
22 MEETINGS, PROGRAM BUDGETS FOR FY2024 is attached as **Exhibit 4**.
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24 **Section Three. Rescinding Resources Committee and Economic Development
25 Committee Resolutions**

- 26 A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
27 rescinds RCJN-86-01, EDCAU-60-03 and EDCJY-35-09.
- 28 B. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
29 rescinds any other Resources Committee, Economic Development Committee and
30 Transportation and Community Development Committee resolutions which

1 approved budget hearing and budget meeting rules, procedures or guidelines.
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3 **Section Four. Approving Procedures for Oversight Committee Meetings for**
4 **Approving Budgets for the Fiscal Year 2024**

5 The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
6 approves the Procedures for Oversight Committee Meetings for Approving Budgets for
7 the Fiscal Year 2024, attached as **Exhibit 4**.
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