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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0171-23

DATE: August 1, 2023

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER;
APPROVING THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURES**

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will approve the Oversight Committee Budget Meeting Procedures.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review the proposed resolution in detail.

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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2023
INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACTION
RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER; APPROVING THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURES

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Authority

- A. The Law and Order Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with oversight authority over the Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation, Office of Hearing and Appeals, Labor Commission, Office of the Public Defender, Office of the Prosecutor, Division of Public Safety, and Office of Ethics and Rules. 2 N.N.C. § 600 (A) 2 N.N.C. § 601 (C)(1).
- B. The Navajo Nation Code provides that “[e]ach oversight committee shall review and make recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee concerning the budget in accordance with the annual budget instructions. The oversight committees may hold public hearings at each agency with programs under their oversight and take testimony on the budget. 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).
- C. Additionally, “[t]he oversight committees shall make recommendations concerning the budget and pass resolutions recommending appropriations and conditions of appropriations for activities within their respective areas of oversight to the Budget and Finance Committee pursuant to the time-lines established in the Budget Instructions Manual.” 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).

1 **Section Two. Findings**

2 A. In the interest of establishing uniform standing committee budget procedures for
3 conducting the budget meetings pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §840(A), the Law and Order
4 Committee wishes to adopt new procedures for conducting the FY2023 oversight
5 budget meetings.

6 B. The Law and Order Committee has reviewed and considered the proposed
7 “OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETINGS PROCEDURES
8 - FY2024 PROGRAM BUDGETS”, attached as **Exhibit 1**, and finds that
9 adherence to such Procedures will effect a more efficient review and
10 recommendation process regarding the FY2024 Program budgets.

11 **Section Three. Approving Procedures for Oversight Committee Meetings for**
12 **Approving Budgets for the Fiscal Year 2024**

13 The Law and Order Committee hereby approves the Procedures for Oversight
14 Committee Meetings for Approving Budgets for the Fiscal Year 2024, attached as
15 **Exhibit 1.**