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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Rescinding Resolutions ECMAR-12-91 and HSCMA-13-96; Approving Oversight Committee Budget Meeting Procedures**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**  
**Tracking No. 0187-23**

**DATE:** July 31, 2023

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE; RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS ECMAR-12-91 AND HSCMA-13-96; APPROVING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURES**

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this proposed resolution is to rescind resolutions that approved budget hearing rules, and to approve the Budget Meeting Procedures for Fiscal Year 2024.

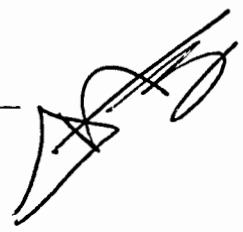
**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.**

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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2023

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AN ACTION  
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RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS ECMAR-12-91 AND HSCMA-13-96; APPROVING  
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING PROCEDURES

BE IT ENACTED:

**SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. 400 § (A).
- 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).

**SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

1 A. The former Education Committee approved Resolution ECMAR-12-91, attached  
2 as **Exhibit 1**, and the former Human Services Committee approved Resolution  
3 HSCMA-13-96, attached as **Exhibit 2**. Both Resolutions approved rules for  
4 conducting budget hearings.

5 B. The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee wishes to adopt the  
6 uniform standing committee procedures for conducting the Fiscal Year 2024 budget  
7 meetings. As such, the Procedures for Oversight Committee Meetings, Program  
8 Budgets for FY 2024 is attached as **Exhibit 3**.

9 C. As a result of adopting the Procedures in **Exhibit 3**, Resolutions ECMAR-12-91  
10 and HSCMA-19-96 should be rescinded.

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12 **SECTION THREE. RESCINDING PRIOR RESOLUTIONS APPROVING RULES**  
13 **OF PROCEDURE FOR BUDGET HEARINGS**

14 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee rescinds Resolutions ECMAR-  
15 12-91 and HSCMA-13-96.

16 B. The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee hereby rescinds any other  
17 budget hearing rules from the Education Committee, Human Services Committee, and  
18 any other former committees resolutions, which are now under the oversight of the  
19 Health, Education and Human Services Committee, approving budget hearing and  
20 budget meeting rules, procedures or guidelines.

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22 **SECTION FOUR. APPROVING PROCEDURES FOR OVERSIGHT**  
23 **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR APPROVING BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL**  
24 **YEAR 2024**

25 The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee hereby approves the  
26 Procedures for Oversight Committee Meetings for Approving Budgets for the  
27 Fiscal Year 2024, attached as **Exhibit 3**.