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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services

Committee; Approving and Adopting the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration

Housing Program Policy as the Eligibility Criteria for Receiving Services Under the Veterans Housing Projects Expenditure Plan

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. <u>0084-24</u>

DATE:

April 16, 2024

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE NAVAJO NATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOUSING PROGRAM POLICY AS THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR RECEIVING SERVICES UNDER THE VETERANS HOUSING PROJECTS EXPENDITURE PLAN

PURPOSE: If approved, this resolution will approve and adopt the Navajo Nation Veterans Housing Program Policy dated September 2021 as the eligibility criteria for receiving services under the Veterans Housing Projects Expenditure Plan assigned to the Veterans Housing Program pursuant to CJN-29-22 Sections 10.B.2, C. and E.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Health, Education and Human Services Committee

VOTE REQUIREMENT: Simple Majority

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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1	PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION	
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14	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR RECEIVING SERVICES UNDER THE VETERANS	
15	HOUSING PROJECTS EXPENDITURE PLAN	
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17	BE IT ENACTED:	
18	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITIES	
19	A. The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the	
20	Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 400(A). Among other powers, the Committee shall	
21	review and recommend resolutions relating to social services, health, environmental	
22	health, education, veterans and veterans services, employment and labor. 2 N.N.C. §	
23	401(B)(6).	
24	B. The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee provides legislative oversight	
25	authority for veteran services and the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration. 2 N.N.C.	
26	§ 401(C)(6) and § 1035.	
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28	SECTION TWO. FINDINGS	
29	A. The Navajo Nation Council approved the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Housing	
30	Projects and Manufactured Housing Facilities Expenditure Plan which included an	
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- allocation of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Veterans Housing Program. Council Resolution CJN-29-22, § 10.B.2
- B. The housing projects assigned to the Community Housing & Infrastructure Department, Veterans Housing Program, and Navajo Hopi Land Commission Office are need-based. Council Resolution CJN-29-22 § 10.C.
- C. The eligibility criteria for receiving services under the Veterans Housing Projects Expenditure Plan assigned to the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration Veterans Housing Programs requires approval by the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee through resolution. Council Resolution CJN-29-22 §§ 10.B.2 and 10.E.
- D. Prior to the passage of Council Resolution CJN-29-22, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee, through Resolution HEHSCS-15-21, attached as Exhibit A of this resolution, approved and adopted the Navajo Nation Veterans Housing Program Policy, dated September 2021, in Exhibit B of Resolution HEHSC-15-21. The Exhibits to HEHSC-15-21 are omitted from this resolution.
- E. The Navajo Nation Veterans Housing Program Policy dated September 2021, attached as Exhibit B, reflects guidelines that assist and prioritize veterans most in need of housing.
- F. The Navajo Nation Veterans Housing Program Policy dated September 2021, attached as Exhibit B, satisfies the requirement to approve eligibility criteria for receiving services under the Veterans Housing Projects Expenditure Plan assigned to the Veterans Housing Program pursuant to CJN-29-22 Sections 10.B.2, C. and E.

NATION **VETERANS** SECTION THREE. **APPROVING** THE **NAVAJO** ADMINISTRATION HOUSING PROGRAM POLICY

The Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby approves and adopts the Navajo Nation Veterans Housing Program Policy dated September 2021, attached as Exhibit B, as the eligibility criteria for receiving services under the Veterans Housing Projects Expenditure Plan assigned to the Veterans Housing Program pursuant to CJN-29-22 Sections 10.B.2, C, and E.

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