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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyáti' Committees; Approving and Supporting the Navajo Department of Health's Written Comments to the United States Department of Health and Human Services Annual Tribal Budget Consultations

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0056-25

DATE: April 11, 2025

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE NAVAJO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S WRITTEN COMMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ANNUAL TRIBAL BUDGET CONSULTATIONS

PURPOSE: The purpose of this proposed resolution is to approve the Navajo Department of Health's comments for the United States Department of Health and Human Services tribal budget consultation process.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Naabik'íyáti' 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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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2025

INTRODUCED BY



(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0056-25

AN ACTION

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S WRITTEN COMMENTS TO THE UNITED
STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ANNUAL
TRIBAL BUDGET CONSULTATIONS

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council and is empowered to represent the Navajo Nation at local, state and federal levels in coordination with the President of the Navajo Nation and the Naabik'iyáti' Committee on proposed legislation, funding and other actions affecting health, environmental health, social services, education, veteran's services, employment, training and labor. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400(A), and 401(B)(7).
- B. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council and empowered to coordinate all federal, county, and state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A) and 701(A)(4).

1 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 2 A. The Navajo Department of Health (“NDOH”) produced written comments, attached as
3 **Exhibit A**, for the United States Department of Health and Human Services (“HHS”)
4 for its annual tribal budget consultation that will take place April 22 and 23, 2025.
- 5 B. NDOH's written comments present the health issues and concerns that affect the delivery
6 of health care and public health services on the Navajo Nation.
- 7 C. The President of the United States issued Executive Order 13175 on November 6, 2000
8 establishing regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with tribal officials
9 to assist in the development of Federal policies that have tribal implications, to strengthen
10 the United States government-to-government relationships with Indian tribes, and to
11 reduce the imposition of unfunded mandates upon Indian tribes.
- 12 D. On November 5, 2009, the President of the United States issued a Presidential
13 Memorandum (Tribal Consultation) that required each agency to prepare and
14 periodically update a detailed plan of action to implement the policies and directives of
15 Executive Order 13175.

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17 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

18 The Navajo Nation hereby supports and approves NDOH’s written comments, attached as
19 **Exhibit A**, to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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