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**LEGISLATION NO: \_0166-25\_**

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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Budget and Finance and Naabik'íyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$115,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFb") to the Legislative Branch Navajo Board of Election Supervisors to Cover Expenses Related to Completion of the 2025 Navajo Nation Council Reapportionment and to Fund any Preparation for the 2026 Elections that was an FY2025 Unmet Needs**

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## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0166-25

**DATE:** June 30, 2025

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$115,000 FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE ("UUFBS") TO THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH NAVAJO BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS TO COVER EXPENSES RELATED TO COMPLETION OF THE 2025 NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL REAPPORTIONMENT AND TO FUND ANY PREPARATION FOR THE 2026 ELECTIONS THAT WAS AN FY2025 UNMET NEEDS

**PURPOSE:** This proposed resolution will approve supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$115,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance for the Navajo Board of Election Supervisors to cover expenses to complete the 2025 Navajo Nation Council Reapportionment and to cover unmet needs in FY2025.

**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Navajo Nation Council  
**VOTING REQUIREMENT:** Simple Majority

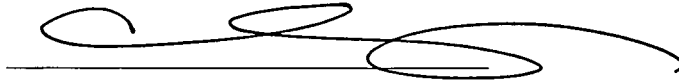
This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.

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Eligible for Action: 07-07-25

Budget & Finance Committee  
Thence  
Naabik'íyáti' Committee  
Thence  
Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Third Year, 2025

Introduced by:



(Prime Sponsor)

Tracking No. 0166-25

AN ACTION

RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES,  
AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$115,000 FROM THE  
UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE ("UUF") TO  
THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH NAVAJO BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS  
TO COVER EXPENSES RELATED TO COMPLETION OF THE 2025 NAVAJO  
NATION COUNCIL REAPPORTIONMENT AND TO FUND ANY PREPARATION  
FOR THE 2026 ELECTIONS THAT WAS AN FY2025 UNMET NEEDS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee was established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the authority to review and recommend to the Council the budgeting, appropriation, investment and management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. § 300(A), § 301(B)(2).
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee was established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the authority to hear all proposed resolutions that require final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A)(9), § 700(A).
- C. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102(A). As such, the Council ". . . may adopt and approve supplemental

1 appropriations to the Annual Comprehensive Budget during the fiscal year.  
2 Supplemental appropriations of General Funds within the current fiscal year are  
3 permitted, if and when additional sources of revenues above and beyond the initial or  
4 current revenue projections are projected and which are also in excess of the reserve  
5 amount set forth at § 820(J).” 12 N.N.C. § 820(L).

6 D. The restrictions on supplemental appropriations, including all amounts from the  
7 UUFB, include:

- 8 1. Payment of recurring government operating expenses shall be from recurring  
9 revenues, and payment of nonrecurring expenses shall be from nonrecurring  
10 revenues such as UUFB funds. 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F).
- 11 2. Specifically, the UUFB shall not be used for recurring government  
12 expenditures or operations. 12 N.N.C. § 820(J), § 820(L).
- 13 3. Nonrecurring revenues such as UUFB funds may be used only after the  
14 Controller determines whether or not such revenues are subsidizing an  
15 imbalance between the Navajo Nation’s recurring revenues and expenditures,  
16 and government expenditures shall only be authorized if a long-term (3-year  
17 to 5-year year) forecast shows that the operating deficit will not continue;  
18 otherwise, nonrecurring revenues will be added to the Unreserved,  
19 Undesignated Fund Balance. 12 N.N.C. § 820(F).
- 20 4. The above provisions in Title 12 may be amended or waived by a two-thirds  
21 vote of the full Navajo Nation Council. 12 N.N.C. § 820(F).
- 22 5. In compliance with 12 N.N.C. § 820(F), all UUFB funding requests must be  
23 reviewed by the Controller. Such review is also required because the  
24 Controller determines which revenues and expenses are recurring and which  
25 are non-recurring. 12 N.N.C. § 820(L).
- 26 6. In compliance with 12 N.N.C. § 820(B) and (M), all UUFB funding requests  
27 must be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for a  
28 budget impact analysis.  
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- 1           7. Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 820(N)(4), UUFB appropriations revert to the  
2           General Fund at the end of the fiscal year unless the Navajo Nation Council  
3           waives such reversion by a 7/8 vote.

4           **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS.**

- 5           A. The Navajo Nation Legislative Branch Navajo Board of Election Supervisors  
6           ("NBOES") is requesting \$115,000 in supplemental funding from the UUFB to cover  
7           expenses to complete the 2025 Navajo Nation Council Reapportionment and to cover  
8           unmet needs in FY2025. The NBOES passed resolution No. BOESAP-25-25 in  
9           which it formally requested supplemental funding from the Navajo Nation Council  
10          and is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- 11          B. The NBOES has provided the required Navajo Nation budget forms, along with the  
12          Appendix J - Supplemental Funding Proposal Summary. Budget Forms are attached  
13          as **Exhibit B**.
- 14          C. The Office of the Controller has provided a memorandum as required by 12 N.N.C.  
15          §820(L), indicating that the proposed expenditures are *non-recurring*. The Controller  
16          Memo is attached as **Exhibit C**.
- 17          D. The Office of Management and Budget has provided its memorandum as required by  
18          12 N.N.C. §820(M). The OMB Memo is attached as **Exhibit D**.

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20           **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL OF \$115,000 FROM THE UUFB TO THE**  
21           **NAVAJO BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS**

- 22          A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves supplemental appropriation in the amount of  
23          \$115,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance for the Navajo Board of  
24          Election Supervisors to cover expenses to complete the 2025 Navajo Nation Council  
25          Reapportionment and to cover unmet needs in FY2025, in accordance with the attached  
26          **Exhibit B**.
- 27          B. This supplemental appropriation approved herein shall be from those funds that exceed  
28          the minimum fund reserve balance of the UUFB required by 12 N.N.C. § 820(J).
- 29          C. Upon the effective date of this resolution, the approved UUFB funds shall be promptly  
30          transferred into those budget line items listed in the attached **Exhibit B**.

1 D. Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §820(N), any amount of the \$115,000 approved herein that  
2 remains unspent or unencumbered at the end of FY2025 shall revert to the General  
3 Fund, unless Council waives such reversion by a 7/8 vote prior to the date in which the  
4 funds are scheduled to revert.  
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6 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

7 This Action shall become effective in accordance with 2 N.N.C. §221(B) and 2 N.N.C.  
8 §164(A)(17).  
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10 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

11 If any portion of this Action is determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court,  
12 or by a District Court of the Navajo Nation without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme  
13 Court, the remainder of this Action shall be the law of the Navajo Nation.  
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