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TITLE: An Act Relating to the Law and Order and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Nation Election Code at 11 N.N.C. §3(C) by changing the Primary Election Date for Navajo Nation Elections

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0040-26

DATE: February 18, 2026

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACT TO LAW AND ORDER AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; AMENDING THE NAVAJO NATION ELECTION CODE AT 11 N.N.C. §3(C) BY CHANGING THE PRIMARY ELECTION DATE FOR NAVAJO NATION ELECTIONS

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will change the Primary Election dates for Navajo Nation Chapter Elections and Navajo Nation General Elections to the second to last Tuesday in July in which there is a general election (for chapter elections or for elections for Office of Navajo Nation President and delegates to the Navajo Nation Council)

FINAL AUTHORITY: Navajo Nation Council

VOTE REQUIRED: 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.

- 1 C. Primary elections shall be held on the second to last Tuesday in July ~~the first Tuesday~~
2 ~~in August~~ in any year in which a general election is held and at which candidates for
3 public office are to be elected.
- 4 D. Special elections shall be held when required.
- 5 E. The Board of Election Supervisors is authorized to postpone for a maximum of 60
6 days any Navajo election for the purpose of printing new ballots required because of
7 changed circumstances.
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10 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

11 The amendments enacted herein shall be effective pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 221(B).

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13 **SECTION FIVE. CODIFICATION**

14 The provisions of these amendments of the Navajo Nation Code shall be codified by the
15 Office of Legislative Counsel. The Office of Legislative Counsel shall incorporate such
16 amendments in the next codification of the Navajo Nation Code.

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18 **SECTION SIX. SAVINGS CLAUSE**

19 Should any provision of these amendments be determined invalid by the Navajo Nation
20 Supreme Court, or the District Courts of the Navajo Nation without appeal to the Navajo
21 Nation Supreme Court, those amendments that are not determined invalid shall remain the
22 law of the Nation.

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