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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance Committee; Amending Resolution BFJY-55-25 to Extend the Deadline to Complete an Investigatory Hearing Concerning the Navajo Nation's Contracts for Housing and Related Matters; and Rescinding Resolution No. BFAU-60-25

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0067-26

DATE: April 1, 2026

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AMENDING RESOLUTION BFJY-55-25 TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO COMPLETE AN INVESTIGATORY HEARING CONCERNING THE NAVAJO NATION'S CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING AND RELATED MATTERS; AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION BFAU-60-25

PURPOSE: This proposed resolution, if adopted, will extend the deadline for the Budget and Finance Committee to hold an Investigatory Hearing concerning the Navajo Nation's contracts and related matters.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Budget and Finance Committee

VOTE REQUIREMENT: Simple Majority

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

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2026

Introduced By:

[Signature]
(Prime Sponsor) Cheryl Yazzie

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AMENDING
RESOLUTION BFJY-55-25 TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO COMPLETE AN
INVESTIGATORY HEARING CONCERNING THE NAVAJO NATION'S
CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING AND RELATED MATTERS; AND RESCINDING
RESOLUTION NO. BFAU-60-25

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee is a Standing Committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the responsibility to protect the interests of the Navajo people through the prudent management of the financial reserves of the Navajo Nation and the use of funds available for expenditure by the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 300(C)(4).
- B. The Budget and Finance Committee has the responsibility to exercise oversight authority over the budget, finance, investment, contracting, accounting, and audit activities of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 300(C).
- C. The Budget and Finance Committee is delegated enumerated powers, among other powers, to:

- 1 1. Review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the budgeting,
2 appropriation, investment and management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. §
3 301(B)(2);
 - 4 2. Review the use of Navajo Nation funds received from all sources. 2 N.N.C. §
5 301(B)(3);
 - 6 3. Coordinate and review all fiscal, financial and investment activities of the
7 Navajo Nation and its enterprises, as well as other agencies, federal, state,
8 regional and private, expending or seeking to expend funds within the Navajo
9 Nation or for the benefit of the Navajo People. 2 N.N.C. § 30 (B)(5); and
 - 10 4. Require reports from and to monitor the financial performance of all offices,
11 divisions, departments, enterprises, authorities, committees, boards,
12 commissions, or entities having oversight or control over fiscal matters or
13 financial obligations to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(9).
- 14 D. The Budget and Finance Committee, through Resolution No. BFJY-55-25,
15 authorized an Investigatory Hearing concerning the Navajo Nation’s contracts for
16 housing and related matters.

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18 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 19 A. Resolution BFJY-55-25, Section Three (B), states that the “Budget and Finance
20 Committee shall commence the Investigatory Hearing [concerning the Navajo
21 Nation’s contracts for housing and related matters] no later than August 31, 2025, . .
22 .” The resolution is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- 23 B. Resolution BFAU-60-25, attached as **Exhibit B**, extended the above-described
24 Investigatory Hearing to be completed by December 31, 2025.
- 25 C. The Navajo People continue to want answers concerning the Navajo Nation’s
26 contracts for housing and related matters through an Investigatory Hearing.
- 27 D. To ensure a fair and transparent investigatory hearing, there is a need to extend the
28 completion date of the Investigatory Hearing authorized by BFJY-55-25 and a need
29 to rescind BFAU-60-25.

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2 **SECTION THREE. BFJY-55-25 AMENDMENT**

3 The Budget and Finance Committee hereby amends Resolution No. BFJY-55-25, Section
4 Three (B) as follows:

5 The Budget and Finance Committee shall commence the Investigatory Hearing
6 no later than ~~August 31, 2025~~ December 31, 2026, and shall adopt and publish
7 Hearing Rules at least five (5) days prior to the start of the hearing. The purpose
8 of the Hearing Rules is to ensure that the Investigatory Hearing is a full, fair, and
9 transparent process.

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11 **SECTION FOUR. RESCINDING BFAU-60-25**

12 The Budget and Finance Committee hereby rescinds Resolution No. BFAU-60-25,
13 “RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AMENDING
14 RESOLUTION BFJY-55-25 TO REMOVE THE DEADLINE FOR HOLDING AN
15 INVESTIGATORY HEARING CONCERNING THE NAVAJO NATION’S
16 CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING AND RELATED MATTERS.”

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18 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

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