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TITLE: **An Action relating to the Budget and Finance and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Confirming the Navajo Nation President's Appointment of Ervina Castillo to the Navajo Nation Tax Commission for the Term of Five Years**

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET
Tracking No. 0266-26

DATE: October 29, 2026

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; CONFIRMING THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT OF ERVINA CASTILLO TO THE NAVAJO NATION TAX COMMISSION FOR THE TERM OF FIVE YEARS

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, would confirm the appointment of Ervina Castillo to serve as a member of the Navajo Tax Commission for the term of five (5) years.

FINAL AUTHORITY: Naabik'íyáti' Committee

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.

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Budget & Finance Committee
Thence
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL—Fourth Year, 2026

Introduced by:

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; CONFIRMING THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT OF ERVINA CASTILLO TO THE NAVAJO NATION TAX COMMISSION FOR THE TERM OF FIVE YEARS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. The Budget and Finance Committee is a Standing Committee of the Navajo Nation Council with oversight authority over the Office of the Navajo Tax Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 300(A) and (C); 2 N.N.C. § 301(B)(13).

B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a Standing Committee of the Navajo Nation Council and is empowered to give final confirmation of the Navajo Nation President's appointments to boards, commissions, and colleges, unless otherwise provided by law. 2 N.N.C. § 700(A) and § 701(A)(1).

C. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 3352(B), the President of the Navajo Nation has the authority to appoint members of the Navajo Tax Commission.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Navajo Tax Commission is established under the Executive Branch of the Navajo Nation Government. 2 N.N.C. § 3351.

B. The Navajo Tax Commission consists of five (5) members, with at least three (3) enrolled as members of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 3352(A).

C. The President of the Navajo Nation shall nominate a person qualified by virtue of education, experience, or office, and upon confirmation by the Government Services Committee, now the Naabik'íyáti' Committee, the person shall serve a term of office. 2 N.N.C. § 3352(B). [Resolution CO-45-12 assigned Government Services Committee authorities and responsibilities to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee.]

D. The term of office for the Tax Commissioner shall be five (5) years; provided however, that in order to stagger the expiration of terms of office, March 31 of each year shall be the common anniversary date. 2 N.N.C. § 3352(C).

E. The President of the Navajo Nation issued an appointment letter, dated October 12, 2026, to appoint Ms. Ervina Castillo for a five (5) year term, attached as **Exhibit A.**

F. Ms. Castillo's letter of interest, dated August 21, 2026, with supporting documentation, is attached as **Exhibit B.**

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMATION

Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 3352(B), the Naabik'íyáti' Committee hereby confirms the appointment of Ms. Ervina Castillo to serve on the Navajo Tax Commission for a term of five (5) years beginning with the certification of this resolution.