



**APPROVED AGENDA OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**WINTER SESSION
January 24 – 28, 2022
10:00 AM**

**Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Call-in Number: (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 928 871 7160

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PRESIDING: Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

1. CALL SESSION TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION
2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS TO THE NAVAJO NATION
3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA
(m) Hon. Vince R. James (s) Hon. Kee Allen Begay, Jr. (v) 20-0 (snv)
4. RECEIVE THE STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE NAVAJO NATION
(m) (s) (v)
5. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE NAVAJO NATION
(m) (s) (v)
6. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
(m) (s) (v)
7. RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE CONTROLLER
(m) (s) (v)

8. ORAL REPORTS

- A. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) (m) (s) (v)
- B. Indian Health Services (IHS) (m) (s) (v)
- C. Attorney General (m) (s) (v)
- D. Navajo Nation Youth Advisory Council (m) (s) (v)

9. WRITTEN REPORTS

- A. Standing Committees (m) (s) (v)
- B. Boards and Commissions (m) (s) (v)
- C. Bureau of Indian Affairs (m) (s) (v)
- D. Indian Health Services Area Director (m) (s) (v)
- E. Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (m) (s) (v)

10. OLD BUSINESS

(A) **LEGISLATION 0123-21:** An Action Relating to the Naabik’iyáti’ Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Mr. Anselm Morgan to the Commission on Navajo Government Development, for a Term of Four (4) Years, as the Eastern Navajo Agency Council Representative
SPONSOR: Honorable Mark A. Freeland

(m) Hon. Nathaniel Brown (s) Hon. Kee Allen Begay, Jr. (v)

10/19/2021 – Motion to Table Legislation 0123-21 until the Navajo Nation Council Winter Session; (M) Honorable Edmund Yazzie; (S) Honorable Pernell Halona; (V) 15 In Favor, 08 Opposed (Speaker Damon Not Voting)

11. NEW BUSINESS

(A) **LEGISLATION 0209-21:** An Action Relating to the Budget and Finance, Resources and Development, and Naabik’iyáti’ Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$68,025,000 in Síhasin Funds for the Navajo Nation Department of Water Resources to Complete Twelve (12) Water Connection Projects Across the Navajo Nation; and Approving the “2021 Water Connection Projects Expenditure Plan” Pursuant to 12 N.N.C §§ 2501-2508 **(2/3)**
SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

(m) (s) (v)

(B) **LEGISLATION 0226-21:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, Naabik’iyáti’ Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$500,000 in Síhasin Funds to Capital Projects Management Department (CPMD) for the Planning and Construction of the CPMD Renovation Phase II **(2/3)**
SPONSOR: Honorable Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

(m) (s) (v)

(C) **LEGISLATION 0241-21:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance and Naabik’iyáti’ Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in the State of New Mexico Medical Assistance Division Provider Participation Agreement Between the Navajo Nation Division of Behavioral and Mental Health Services and the State of New Mexico **(2/3)**
SPONSOR: Honorable Daniel E. Tso

(m) (s) (v)

(D) **LEGISLATION 0244-21:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System Provider Participation Agreements Between the Navajo Nation Division of Behavioral and Mental Health Services and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Daniel E. Tso

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

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(E) **LEGISLATION 0261-21:** An Action Relating to an Emergency for Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$1,808,538 in Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance for the 110 Navajo Nation Chapters' Emergency Fund Accounts; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(O) **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr.

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(F) **LEGISLATION 0003-22:** An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$900,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFB") to the Division of Economic Development/Tourism Department for Personnel and Operating Expenses for the Remainder of FY2022; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F), and § 820(J) to Allow Use of the UUFB for Recurring Expenses **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

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(G) **LEGISLATION 0005-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$419,718 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance ("UUFB") to the Division of Community Development to Fund Chapter Official Stipends for the Remainder of FY2022; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F) and § 820(J) to Allow Use of the UUFB for Recurring Expenses **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Herman M. Daniels, Jr.

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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(H) **LEGISLATION 0009-22:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Overriding the Veto of CO-56-21 that Proposed Reaffirming the Navajo Nation's Request to the Governor of New Mexico to Activate the Naat'aanii Development Corporation – Molina Healthcare, Inc. Indian Managed Care Entity to Increase Medical Resources Available to the Navajo People During the COVID-19 State of Emergency **(2/3)**

SPONSOR: Honorable Daniel E. Tso

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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(I) **LEGISLATION 0111-21:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, Law and Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Nation Sales Tax at 24 N.N.C. § 601-624

SPONSOR: Honorable Jamie Henio

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Jimmy Yellowhair

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(J) **LEGISLATION 0112-21:** An Act Relating to the Law and Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Amendments to the "Uniform Tax Administration Statute" Codified at 24 N.N.C. §§ 101 *et. seq* of the Navajo Nation Code

SPONSOR: Honorable Jamie Henio

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Jimmy Yellowhair

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(K) **LEGISLATION 0195-21:** An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Naabik'iyáti' and Navajo Nation Council; Approving the Reinstatement of Nizhoni Harker as a Member of the Navajo Nation

SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton

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(L) **LEGISLATION 0215-21:** An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Confirming the Appointment of Mr. Marcus Tulley to the Commission on Navajo Government Development, for a Term of Four (4) Years, as the Central Agency Council Representative

SPONSOR: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

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(M) **LEGISLATION 0222-21:** An Action Relating to Law and Order, Naabik'iyáti' and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending Navajo Nation Election Code at 11 N.N.C. §282 (A), Voter Registration Time Period

SPONSOR: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

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(N) **LEGISLATION 0232-21:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Naabik'iyáti' Committee, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving Oil and Gas Operating Agreements Between the Navajo Nation and Navajo Nation Oil and Gas Company for Tohachee Wash, Beautiful Mountain, and Porcupine Dome

SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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(O) **LEGISLATION 0251-21:** An Act Relating to Law and Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Establishing a Referendum for Diné Voters to Decide Whether to Increase the Number of Navajo Nation Council Delegates from 24 to 48, Beginning with the November 2026 Navajo Nation General Election

SPONSOR: Honorable Edison J. Wauneka

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(P) **LEGISLATION 0002-22:** An Action Relating to the Resources and Development, the Health, Education, and Human Services, the Law and Order, and the Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Amending Title 17 of the Navajo Nation Code to Establish Criminal Penalties for Vicious Dog and Other Animal Attacks

SPONSOR: Honorable Eugene Tso

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.

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(Q) **LEGISLATION 0006-22**: An Action Relating to Budget and Finance and Naabik'íyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Establishing the Diné Relocatee Fund

SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso

CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

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12. CLOSE OF SESSION; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

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