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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Supporting Arizona Senate Bill 1671 Titled "An Act Amending Sections 36-2907, 36-2939 and 36-2981, Arizona Revised Statutes; Appropriating Monies; Relating to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System."**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0021-25

**DATE:** February 28, 2025

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; SUPPORTING ARIZONA SENATE BILL 1671 TITLED "AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 36-2907, 36-2939 AND 36-2981, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; APPROPRIATING MONIES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM."**

**PURPOSE:** This proposed resolution will provide the Navajo Nation's support of Arizona Senate Bill 1671.

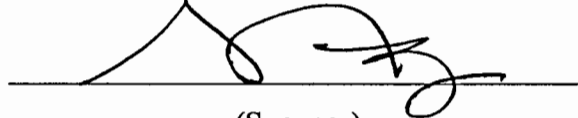
**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Naabik'iyáti' Committee  
**VOTING REQUIREMENT:** Simple Majority

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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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
2 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Third Year, 2025

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11 AN ACTION RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE;  
12 SUPPORTING ARIZONA SENATE BILL 1671 TITLED “AN ACT AMENDING  
13 SECTIONS 36-2907, 36-2939 AND 36-2981, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES;  
14 APPROPRIATING MONIES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE  
15 COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM.”

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17 **WHEREAS:**

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19 A. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as Navajo Nation  
20 Council standing committee and as such empowered the Naabik'iyáti' Committee to  
21 coordinate all requests for information, appearances and testimony relating to  
22 proposed county, state and federal legislation impacting the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C.  
23 §§ 700(A), 701(A)(6).
- 24 B. The Navajo Nation has a government-to-government relationship with the State of  
25 Arizona.
- 26 C. During the First Regular Session of the Fifty-Seventh Legislature, Arizona State  
27 Senators Gonzales, Alston, Bravo, Diaz, Epstein, Gabaldón, Hatathlie, Kuby,  
28 Miranda, Ortiz, Shope, and Sundareshan introduced Arizona Senate Bill 1671 (“AZ  
29 Senate Bill 1671”) titled “An Act Amending Sections 36-2907, 36-2939 and 36-2981,  
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1 Arizona Revised Statutes; Appropriating Monies; Relating to the Arizona Health Care  
2 Cost Containment System.” attached as **Exhibit A**.

3 D. AZ Senate Bill 1671 includes traditional healing services in the list of services  
4 covered by the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) and  
5 services provided by the Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS), subject to  
6 approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and available  
7 funding.

8 E. AZ Senate Bill 1671 also modifies the definition of “tribal facility” to include a  
9 facility that is operated by a tribal organization, rather than only an Indian tribe.

10 F. The Navajo Nation supports AZ Senate Bill 1671 as it will support the healing of  
11 Diné and other indigenous AHCCCS patients seeking healing services utilizing  
12 indigenous methods through Indian Health Service or other tribal facilities.

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14 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

15 A. The Navajo Nation supports AZ Senate Bill 1671 titled “An Act Amending Sections  
16 36-2907, 36-2939 and 36-2981, Arizona Revised Statutes; Appropriating Monies;  
17 Relating to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System” attached as **Exhibit**  
18 **A**.

19 B. The Naabik’iyáti’ Committee hereby authorizes the Navajo Nation President, and the  
20 Navajo Nation Speaker to take all steps necessary to advocate for the Navajo Nation’s  
21 position with respect to AZ Senate Bill 1671.