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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 2294-19

DATE: September 24, 2019

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES; EXTENDING APPROVAL DATE FOR THE 2020-2024 NAVAJO NATION SCHOOL BOARD APPORTIONMENT PLAN

PURPOSE: This bill will extend the approval date for the 2020-2024 Navajo Nation School Board Apportionment Plan, from November 4, 2019 to March 26, 2020.

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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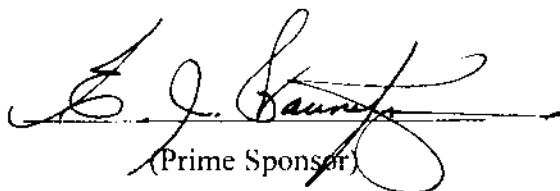
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PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – First Year, 2019

INTRODUCED BY


(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0294-19

AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES; EXTENDING
APPROVAL DATE FOR THE 2020-2024 NAVAJO NATION SCHOOL BOARD
APPORTIONMENT PLAN

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

B. Among various responsibilities, Health, Education and Human Services Committee, under the Navajo Nation Election Code, approves apportionment plans for school boards for use in Navajo Nation Chapter Elections every four years. 11 N.N.C. § 11(B). The Election Code provides:

"On or before the first Monday of November 2003 and every four years thereafter, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council shall set the size of each Local Community School Board and shall apportion the number of school board seats among the Chapter or Chapters represented in each Local Community School Board. This apportionment shall

1 establish election precincts for each Local Community School Board containing
2 approximately equal numbers of students attending the Local Community School
3 at the time of the apportionment. The Health, Education and Human Services
4 Committee, for purposes of public comment or collecting data, may extend the
5 time for approval of an apportionment plan. Should an extension be ordered, the
6 Navajo Board of Election Supervisors shall adjust, if necessary, the opening filing
7 period for elective school board positions." 11 N.N.C. § 11(B).

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9 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

10 1. Under the Navajo Nation Election Code, the 2020-2024 Apportionment Plan for local
11 community school boards must be approved no later than November 4, 2019. Once adopted
12 the plan will be used in the 2020 Chapter Elections in which school board members will be
13 elected. Also, the apportionment plan, once adopted, will be effective for the 2020-2024
14 terms of office for all elective school board positions under the Navajo Election Code.

15 2. Additional time is necessary to prepare and adopt the 2020-2024 School Board
16 Apportionment Plan.

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18 **SECTION THREE. EXTENDING TIME FOR APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD**
19 **APPORTIONMENT PLAN**

20 A. Pursuant to 11 N.N.C. § 11(B), the Health, Education and Human Services Committee
21 hereby extends the date for the approval of the Navajo Nation 2020-2024 School Board
22 Apportionment Plan.

23 B. Consistent with all other requirements of the Navajo Nation Election Code, the Navajo
24 Nation School Board Apportionment Plan for 2020-2024 shall be approved no later than
25 March 26, 2020.