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TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'íváti' Committees; Approving and Authorizing a Contract Between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior Under 25 U.S.C. §5301 ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, as Amended), for a Three-Year Term for the Division of Human Resources, Vital Records Program; Approving and Authorizing the Fiscal Year Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Period of the Contract Term

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## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0179-21

**DATE:** August 25, 2021

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNDER 25 U.S.C. § 5301 ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED), FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR THE DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES, VITAL RECORDS PROGRAM; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT TERM

**PURPOSE:** An action related to the Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyati' Committees; approving and authorizing a contract between the Navajo Nation and United States Department of Interior under 25 U.S.C. § 5301, *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a three-year term for the Division of Human Resources, Vital Records Program; approving and authorizing the Fiscal Year Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the period of the contract term.

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.

	ing Time/Date: Date: August 31, 2021 Budget & Finance Com	Thence nmittee
1	PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION Naabik'iyati' Com	Thence nmittee
2	24 <sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Third Year, 2021	
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12	AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND	
13	AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE	
14	UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNDER 25 U.S.C. § 5301	
15	ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED), FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR THE	
16	DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES, VITAL RECORDS PROGRAM;	
17	APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING	
18	AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT	
19	TERM	
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21	BE IT ENACTED:	
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23	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY	
24	A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is an established Standing	
25	Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 400 (A).	
26	B. The Health, Education and Human Services, Committee is to promulgate	
27	regulations, promote accountability and provide legislative oversight on matters	
28	involving health, social services, education, general governmental services and	
29	human services. 2 N.N.C. § 400 (C)(1)	
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- C. The Budget and Finance Committee is established as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 300 (A).
- D. The Budget and Finance Committee is authorized to approve and accept contracts from federal authorities upon the recommendation of the standing committee which has oversight of the program which requested the contract. 2 N.N.C. § 301 (B)(15).
- E. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is authorized to approve contracts between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of Interior for the implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. §5301 *et seq.* (P. L. 93-638 as amended). 2 N.N.C. §701 (A)(12).

F. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to enter into a contract with the United States Department of Interior for the Division of Human Resources, Vital Records Program, for the contract term as set forth in the documents attached hereto as Exhibit A.

### **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- A. The Annual Funding Agreement between the Department of Interior and the Navajo Nation is a self-determination contract under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act and as such is an intergovernmental agreement.
- B. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to enter into a contract with the United
  States Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs for the contract term as set
  forth in the documents attached as Exhibit A.
- C. The proposed contract, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as amended), between the Navajo Nation and United States Department of Interior, has been endorsed by requisite reviewers and is determined legally sufficient and eligible for signature as set forth in the documents attached as **Exhibit B.**

### SECTION THREE. APPROVALS

A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes a contract between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a three-year period

for the Division of Human Resources, Vital Records Program as set forth in the documents attached as **Exhibit A**.

- B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Division of Human Resources, Vital Records Program, for the contract term as set forth in the documents attached as Exhibit A.
- C. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the President of the Navajo Nation to execute and effectuate the Contract, Annual Funding Agreement, and Scope of Work, provided the terms and conditions in such documents are substantially similar to those approved by this resolution.