# THE NAVAJO NATION LEGISLATIVE BRANCH INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: \_0068-22\_\_

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TITLE: An Act Relating to the Budget and Finance Committee; As Recommended by the Navajo Nation Investment Committee, Approving the Selection of Prudential Group Investment Management ("PGIM") as a Non-Core Real Estate Manager for the Navajo Nation Permanent Fund and Retirement Plan; and Approving the Subscription Booklets and Related Documents between the Navajo Nation and PGIM for the Navajo Nation Permanent Fund and the Navajo Nation Retirement Plan

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## SUMMARY OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Tracking No. 0068-22

Date: March 29, 2022

**RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AS** Re: RECOMMENDED BY NAVAJO THE NATION INVESTMENT COMMITTEE, APPROVING THE SELECTION OF PRUDENTIAL **GROUP INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT ("PGIM") AS A NON-CORE REAL ESTATE MANAGER FOR THE NAVAJO NATION PERMANENT** RETIREMENT PLAN; AND APPROVING THE FUND AND SUBSCRIPTION BOOKLETS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND PGIM FOR THE NAVAJO NATION PERMANENT FUND AND THE NAVAJO NATION RETIREMENT PLAN

## Purpose of this Legislation:

to approve the recommendation of the Investment Committee to select Prudential Group Investment Management as a Non-Core Real Estate Manager for the Permanent Fund and the Retirement Plan, and approving the Subscription Booklets and related documents.

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Eligible for		
1	PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION	
2	24 <sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Fourth Year, 2022	
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10	AN ACT	
11	RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; AS RECOMMENDED	
12	BY THE NAVAJO NATION INVESTMENT COMMITTEE, APPROVING THE	
13	SELECTION OF PRUDENTIAL GROUP INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	
14	("PGIM") AS A NON-CORE REAL ESTATE MANAGER FOR THE NAVAJO	
15	NATION PERMANENT FUND AND RETIREMENT PLAN; AND APPROVING	
16	THE SUBSCRIPTION BOOKLETS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS BETWEEN	
17	THE NAVAJO NATION AND PGIM FOR THE NAVAJO NATION	
18	PERMANENT FUND AND THE NAVAJO NATION RETIREMENT PLAN	
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20	BE IT ENACTED:	
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22	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY	
23	A. The Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is a standing committee	
24	of the Navajo Nation Council empowered with oversight authority over matters involving	
25	budgeting, finance, investment, bonds, contracting, insurance, audits, accounting, taxes,	
26	loans, and Chapter budget and finance, for the purpose of coordinating, overseeing, and	
27	regulating the fiscal, financial, investment, contracting, and audit policies of the Navajo	
28	Nation. 2 N.N.C. §300(C); 2 N.N.C. §300(C)(1).	
29	B. The Budget and Finance Committee ("BFC") is authorized to promulgate rules,	
30	regulations, and policies related to contracting, investments, and financial matters of the	

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C. In Resolution No. CAU-39-73 the Navajo Nation established the Navajo Nation Investment Committee ("Investment Committee").

D. BFC adopted the investment policies for the management of all Navajo Nation financial resources ("Master Investment Policy") pursuant to Resolution No. BFO-61-90, as amended by BFJY-114-03, BFJA-01-08, BFJN-17-15, BFD-38-17, BFD-41-17, and BFD-45-18.

E. The Investment Committee advises BFC regarding the Navajo Nation's investment program, and is responsible for recommending to BFC the selection of investment managers and custodians as recommended by the Investment Consultant, subject to BFC's approval of each investment manager contract and each custodian contract, pursuant to the Section 4.3(d) of the Master Investment Policy.

#### 14 SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Investment Committee and the Navajo Nation's Investment Consultant, RVK, Inc. ("RVK"), have recommended to BFC that Prudential Group Investment Management ("PGIM") be selected as one of the Non-Core Real Estate Managers for the Navajo Nation Permanent Fund and for the Navajo Nation Retirement Plan. Resolution No. NNICAP-02-19, attached hereto as EXHIBIT A. RVK has prepared its Non-Core Real Estate Recommendation and related documents, attached as EXHIBIT B.

B. The Controller, RVK, the Department of Justice, and the Investment Committee's outside
counsel, Kutak Rock L.L.P., have negotiated with PGIM concerning the terms of the
Subscription Booklet and related documents between the Navajo Nation and PGIM for the
Permanent Fund ("Permanent Fund Agreements"). EXHIBIT C.

C. The Controller, RVK, the Department of Justice, and the Investment Committee's outside
counsel, Kutak Rock L.L.P., have negotiated with PGIM concerning the terms of the
Subscription Booklet and related documents between the Navajo Nation and PGIM for the
Retirement Plan ("Retirement Plan Agreements"). EXHIBIT D.

D. The Permanent Fund Agreements and the Retirement Plan Agreements have gone through
the "Executive Official Review" and have been deemed sufficient by the Office of the

Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §301(B)(1).

Controller and the Department of Justice. **EXHIBIT E**. DOJ's draft resolution and the Navajo Nation's W-9 forms are also attached under EXHIBIT E.

E. BFC has considered the recommendation of the Investment Committee and RVK to approve the selection of PGIM as a Non-Core Real Estate Manager for the Permanent Fund and the Retirement Plan, and finds the selection of PGIM to be in the best interest of the Navajo Nation.

F. BFC has reviewed the Permanent Fund Agreements and the Retirement Plan Agreements, and finds that the Navajo Nation's execution of said Agreements is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation.

#### SECTION THREE. APPROVAL

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A. The Budget and Finance Committee hereby approves the selection of PGIM as a Non-Core Real Estate Manager for the Permanent Fund and the Retirement Plan, with a total commitment to PGIM in Fiscal Year 2022 of \$50,000,000, consisting of \$37,500,000 from the Permanent Fund and \$12,500,000 from the Retirement Plan.

B. BFC hereby approves the Permanent Fund Agreements and the Retirement Plan Agreements and delegates its Committee authority to the Controller to make any reasonable revisions to said Agreements, so long as such changes are consistent with the intent of this Act.

C. BFC hereby authorizes the Controller to submit the Permanent Fund Agreements and the Retirement Plan Agreements to the Navajo Nation President for execution, and to take all actions necessary and appropriate to implement the purposes of this Act, and the purposes of the Permanent Fund Agreements and the Retirement Plan Agreements.

## SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Act shall become effective in accordance with 2 N.N.C. §300(C), 2 N.N.C. §300(C)(1), and 2 N.N.C. §189(A).

## SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE

If any portion of this Act is invalidated by the Supreme Court of the Navajo Nation, or by any

1	Navajo Nation District Court without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, the
2	remainder of this legislation shall be the law of the Navajo Nation.
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