

**RESOLUTION OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

21ST NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Fourth Year 2010

AN ACT

**RELATING TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE; AMENDING TITLE 26 OF
THE NAVAJO NATION CODE, 26 N.N.C. §1002**

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Findings

A. The Navajo Nation hereby finds that current provisions of the Navajo Nation Code leave the matter of compensation of Navajo Nation Chapter officials to be determined each year through the Navajo Nation Budget Resolution.

B. The Navajo Nation further finds that the determination of a statutorily fixed rate of compensation for chapter officials would provide for more uniformity in such compensation, and for additional stability in the governance of the Navajo Nation Chapters.

C. The Navajo Nation determines that these amendments are in the best interests of the Navajo Nation and Navajo People.

Section Two. Amendment of Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code

The Navajo Nation Council hereby amends Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code, as follows:

**NAVAJO NATION CODE ANNOTATED
TITLE 26. NAVAJO NATION LOCAL GOVERNANCE ACT
CHAPTER 2. CHAPTER GOVERNMENT
SUBCHAPTER 5. NAVAJO NATION CHAPTERS, OFFICIALS AND
ADMINISTRATION-GENERALLY**

§ 1002. Meetings; Meeting notice requirement; Compensation of chapter officials

A. Number of meetings. Each chapter shall determine the number of meetings to be held each month and the time and place for such meetings (subject to the right of chapter president to call special or emergency meetings when necessary).

B. Meeting notice. The chapter officials shall post all chapter meeting agendas within the chapter boundaries at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

C. Compensation of chapter officials

1. Chapter officials shall be compensated for only the number of meetings provided for in the Navajo Nation approved budget. It is nonetheless the obligation of chapter officials to be present at all chapter meetings.

2. A chapter meeting claim form signed only by the claimant shall be attached to each of the regularly scheduled chapter meeting reports filed by the chapter secretary/treasurer with the chapter Government Development Department, Division of Community Development, or if applicable, by the chapter administration.

a. Each regularly scheduled chapter meeting report and claim form shall be correctly filled out before it will be accepted and processed for payment by the Chapter Government Development Department, Division of Community Development, or if applicable, by the chapter administration;

b. Each chapter president, vice president, secretary/treasurer (the appointed acting secretary and/or the chapter president pro-tempore) shall be paid \$500 each for one regular chapter meeting and one chapter planning meeting per month in accordance with the approved fiscal year budget;

c. No chapter official shall be compensated for a chapter meeting unless he or she was in official attendance at that meeting; and

d. Reports will be furnished for all chapter meetings, regular or special, and state whether or not chapter officials are to be compensated for attendance at such meetings.

Section Three. Effective Date

The provision of this Act shall become effective in accord with 26 N.N.C. §1(E), which requires that amendments passed by the Navajo Nation Council are subject to approval of a majority of all chapters of the Navajo Nation. All chapters shall submit their chapter resolutions approving this amendment to the Executive Director, Office of Legislative Services for collection and determination of when the condition of approval by a majority of all chapters of the Navajo Nation has been met.

Section Four. Codification

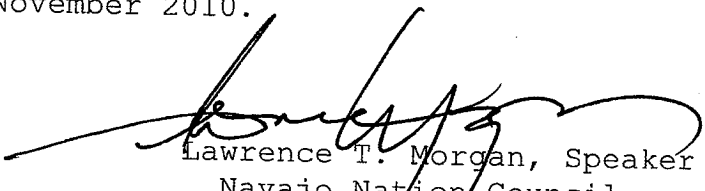
The provisions of this Act which amend sections of the Navajo Nation Code shall be codified by the Office Legislative Counsel.

Section Five. Savings Clause

Should any provisions of this Act be determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or the District Courts of the Navajo Nation, without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, those portions of this Act which are not determined invalid shall remain the law of the Navajo Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona) at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 41 in favor and 14 opposed, this 23rd day of November 2010.



Lawrence T. Morgan, Speaker
Navajo Nation Council

29 Nov 10
Date

Motion: David Tom
Second: Joe M. Lee

ACTION BY THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT:

1. I hereby sign into law the foregoing Legislation, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1005(C) (10), on this 8 day of December, 2010.



Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr. President
Navajo Nation

2. I hereby veto the foregoing Legislation pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §1005(C) (11), this _____ day of _____, 2010 for the reason(s) Expressed in the attached letter to the Speaker.

Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr., President
Navajo Nation



**TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE REPORT
21ST NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
Fourth Year, 2010**

Mr. Speaker,

The **TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**
to whom has been assigned:

LEGISLATION No. 0605-10

Relating to Community Development and Finance; Amending Title 26 of the Navajo
Nation Code, 26 N.N.C. §1002.

Has had it under consideration and reports the same as a Do Pass and thence referred to
the **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION
COUNCIL.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sampson Begay", written over a horizontal line.

Honorable Sampson Begay,
TCDC Chairperson

Date: September 23, 2010

Vote: 6-0

Motion: Lorenzo Bedonie

Second: Willie Begay

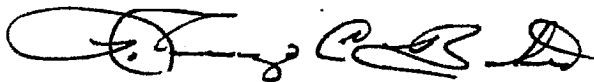
21st NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – FOURTH YEAR 2010

The **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL** to whom has been assigned:

LEGISLATION NO. O605-10

Has had it under consideration and report the same with the recommendation that it **DO PASS** with no amendments.

And therefore referred the same to the **ETHICS AND RULES COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL.**



LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairperson
Budget and Finance Committee

Dated: October 22, 2010

Motioned by: Honorable Leonard Chee

Seconded by: Honorable Jonathan Nez

Vote: 4 in Favor, 2 Opposed and 0 Abstain

21st Navajo Nation Council

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Mr. Speaker,

The **ETHIC AND RULES COMMITTEE**, to whom has been assigned

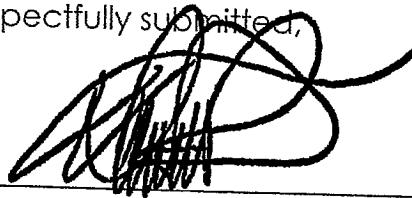
NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL No. 0605-10:

An Act Relating to Community Development and Finance; Amending Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code, 26 N.N.C. §1002 Sponsored by Charles Damon, Council Delegate

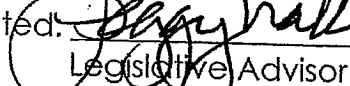
Has had it under consideration and reports the same with a **DO PASS** with **NO AMENDMENT**.

And therefore referred to the **21st NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**.

Respectfully submitted,



Francis Redhouse, Chairperson

Adopted: 
Legislative Advisor

Not Adopted: _____
Legislative Advisor

Date: **19 November 2010**

The vote was **5** in favor and **0** opposed
Excused: Roscoe Smith, Tim Goodluck
Absent: