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Speaker Morgan announces special session agenda

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WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – The Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan has announced the proposed agenda for the special session of the 21st Navajo Nation Council. The one day session will begin June 8 at the Navajo Nation Council Chamber.

On the special session agenda are eight pieces of legislation including an override measure sponsored by Council Delegate Orlanda Smith-Hodge (Cornfields/Greasewood Springs/Klagetoh/Wide Ruins), which would override Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley’s veto of Navajo Nation Council Resolution CAP-17-10 or the Special Prosecutor Amendments Act of 2010.

Legislation No. 0254-10, co-sponsored by Council Delegates Leonard Teller (Lukachukai/Tsaile/Wheatfields) and Johnny Naize (Tselani/Cottonwood/Nazlini), relates to requesting Congress for an increase of NAHASDA Indian Block Grants Funding to $875 million for the fiscal year 2011 or to maintain the fiscal year 2010 funding of $700 million for fiscal year 2011.

Also on the agenda is Legislation No. 0313-10, sponsored by Council Delegate Young Jeff Tom (Mariano Lake/Smith Lake), which would provide supplemental appropriation of $3 million to Navajo Nation Chapters for public employment and $2 million for the youth employment program. Tom is also sponsoring legislation (Legislation No. 0226-10) that would proclaim Monday, July 19, 2010, the first day of the summer session as Diné Bi Líí Baa Hashniih Day (Navajo Nation Horse Day).


Legislation No. 0216, co-sponsored by Council Delegates Raymond Maxx (Coal Mine Canyon/Toh Nanees Dizi) and Jack Colorado (Bodaway-Gap/Cameron/Coppermine), would approve lease negotiations between the Navajo Nation and Sempra Generation and International Piping Products, Inc. for a Wind Energy Project at Grey Mountain, Ariz.

The spring 2010 agenda and legislations can be downloaded at www.navajonationcouncil.org.

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