



From the Office of the Speaker:
2012 Winter Session Legislation Results
 for the 22nd Navajo Nation Council

Legislation	Committee Assignment					
	Budget and Finance	Health and Education and Human Services	Law & Order	Resources and Development	Naa'Bik'Iyati'	Navajo Nation Council
<p>Legislation 0458-11, sponsored by Honorable Alton Joe Shepherd, would have amended 2 N.C.C. §110 and the 5-Day Public Comment Period of 2 N.N.C. §164.</p> <p>Action: The Council voted to table the legislation and refer to a subcommittee of the Naa'bik'iyati with thirteen (13) supporting and seven (7) opposing.</p>			✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0457-11, sponsored by Honorable Alton Joe Shepherd, would have amended 2 N.N.C. §§164(A)(15), 601 (B) and 700(A) and Rule 7 of the Navajo Nation Council to authorize the Law and Order Committee to recommend an agenda for Navajo Nation Council Sessions.</p> <p>Action: The Council voted down the legislation with twelve (12) supporting and ten (10) opposing.</p>			✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0498-11, sponsored by Honorable Danny Simpson, would have amended 2 N.N.C. §700(A) by establishing membership of the Naa'bik'iyati' Committee to be composed of the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the four standing committees of Resources and Development; Health, Education and Human Services; Law and Order; and Budget and Finance.</p> <p>Action: The Council voted down the legislation with seven (7) supporting and fifteen (15) opposing.</p>			✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0448-11, sponsored by Honorable Katherine Benally, would have amended the Navajo Nation Code, Titles 2 and 11, to prohibit Council Delegates from serving on boards and commissions of the Navajo Nation, Federal, State, County and Local Governments and Boards of Enterprises of the Navajo Nation.</p> <p>Action: The Council voted down the legislation with six (6) supporting and fourteen (14) opposing.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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<p>Legislation 0414-11, sponsored by Honorable Lorenzo Curley, amends Title 11 of the Navajo Nation Code by changing the primary election date of the Navajo Nation elections</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with twenty (20) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>		✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0398-11, sponsored by Honorable Danny Simpson, enacts Title 9, §§1901-1925 to enact the Navajo Nation Vulnerable Adult Protection Act of 2011.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with twenty-one (21) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>	✓	✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0394-11, sponsored by Honorable Duane S. Tsinigine, would amend the Navajo Nation Code Title 18, Chapter 12, to provide protection, health, and safety for the Navajo Nation people in the transportation of uranium ore over and across Navajo Nation land.</p> <p>Action: The sponsor of the legislation requested an executive session to discuss amendments and it was decided to table the legislation for 30-days with twenty-one (21) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0408-11, sponsored by Honorable Walter Phelps, enacted the Navajo Nation Worker's Compensation Act of 2011.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and one (1) opposing.</p>	✓	✓		✓	
<p>Legislation 0425-11, sponsored by Honorable Katherine Benally, will enact the 2011 Navajo Nation Violence Against Family Act by enacting 17 N.N.C. §534 <i>Et Seq.</i></p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>	✓	✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0485-11, sponsored by Honorable Danny Simpson, amends the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2012 comprehensive budget to provide for the appropriation of \$2,376,002 of Projected Revenues as contained in the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2012 comprehensive budget.</p> <p>Action: The legislation was amended to accept the revised amount of \$1,589,432 with a vote of seventeen (17) supporting and four (4) opposing. The Council passed the amended legislation with eighteen (18) supporting and three (3) opposing.</p>	✓			✓	✓

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<p>Legislation 0512-11, sponsored by Honorable Jonathan Hale, amends 11 N.N.C. §§ 2, 11 and 22 for the purposes of authorizing the Health, Education and Human Services Committee to extend the time for approval of Local Community School Board Apportionment Plans.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with seventeen (17) supporting and two (2) opposing.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0450-11, sponsored by Speaker Johnny Naize, amends 6 N.N.C. § 606(A)(B) concerning the Navajo Housing Authority and Council Delegate membership on the Board Of Commissioners of the Authority and amends the designated oversight committee pursuant to Title 2 of the Navajo Nation Code.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with twenty (20) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>			✓	✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0516-11, sponsored by Honorable Lorenzo Curley, confirms the appointment by the President of the Navajo Nation of Ms. Clara Pratt as the Director of the Navajo Nation Washington Office pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1152(B).</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with twenty-three (23) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>				✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0486-11, sponsored by Honorable Roscoe Smith, enacts the Navajo Nation Underground and Aboveground Storage Tank Act of 2012.</p> <p>Action: The Council amended the legislation on page 80, line 12 to retain the original language by underscoring 80% and striking over 60% with a vote of fifteen (15) supporting and three (3) opposing. The Council passed the amended legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>	✓		✓	✓	✓

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<p>Legislation 0391-11, sponsored by Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates, requests the United States Federal Government support and fund the full build-out of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (NIIP), support the immediate reprogramming of \$8.5 million in Federal NIIP construction appropriations primarily for on-farm development of Block 9 of the NIIP, and support increase funding for operations and maintenance of the NIIP.</p> <p>Action: The Council amended the legislation, with a vote of seventeen (17) supporting and three (3) opposing, to insert the following language, “6. This legislation is and shall be deemed to be standing legislation of the Navajo Nation regarding the completion of the NIIP, proper funding of NIIP Operations and Maintenance, and the need for the Bureau of Indian Affairs to consult meaningfully with the Navajo Nation in advance of selecting any NIIP Project Manager. It states the consistent position of the Navajo Nation regarding these matters, and shall remain effective until the federal government’s obligation to construct the 110,630-acre NIIP is fulfilled and its obligation to shoulder the Operations and Maintenance burden until ten years after the project completion is satisfied.”</p> <p>The Council passed the legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>						<p style="text-align: center;">✓ ✓ ✓</p>
<p>Legislation 0400-11, sponsored by Honorable Joshua L. Butler, supporting the Tribal Exemption with the Arizona Demonstration Waiver and urging the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to approve it.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with sixteen (16) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>		✓			✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0416-11, sponsored by Honorable Walter Phelps, recommended amendments to the Federal Radiation Exposure Compensation Act.</p> <p>Action: The Council voted down the legislation with seventeen (17) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>		✓			✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0428-11, sponsored by Speaker Johnny Naize, is in opposition to Congressional Legislation H.R. 1904, which proposes a land exchange in Southeastern Arizona for the purpose of mining operations.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with seventeen (17) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>					✓	✓

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<p>Legislation 0465-11, sponsored by Honorable Elmer Begay, confirmed the appointment of Heather L. Clah as the Executive Branch representative to the Navajo Nation Government Development Commission as put forth by the President of the Navajo Nation.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>				✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0432-11, sponsored by Honorable Lorenzo Curley, will reinstate Leanna Renay Ashley as an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with eighteen (18) supporting and zero (0) opposing.</p>		✓		✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0410-11, sponsored by Honorable Roscoe Smith, approves the Desert Creek Oil and Gas exploration and development operating agreement between the Navajo Nation and the Navajo Nation Oil and Gas Company for certain trust lands in San Juan County, Utah (Navajo Nation).</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with twelve (12) supporting and nine (9) opposing.</p>	✓		✓	✓	✓
<p>Legislation 003-12, sponsored by Honorable Lorenzo Curley, would have confirmed the appointment of Floyd Steven as the Western Navajo Agency Council Representative to the Navajo Nation Government Development Commission as put forth by the Western Navajo Agency Council.</p> <p>Action: The Council tabled the legislation, due to the appointee's absence, with fourteen (14) supporting and three (3) opposing.</p>				✓	✓
<p>Legislation 0466-11, sponsored by Honorable Elmer Begay, confirmed the appointment of Martin Avery as the Judicial Branch representative to the Navajo Nation Government Development Commission as put forth by the Chief Justice of the Navajo Nation Supreme Court.</p> <p>Action: The Council passed the legislation with sixteen (16) supporting and three (3) opposing.</p>				✓	✓
KEY	✓ - Considered and Recommended ✓ - Final Approval Authority				

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Phelps, Walter	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓+	S	---	✓	✓	✓	---
Shepherd, Alton	X+	✓+	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	X	✓
Simpson, Danny	✓	✓	✓+	X	✓	✓+	✓	✓	✓	✓+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	✓	✓
Smith, Roscoe	---	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	---	✓	✓+	✓
Tom, David	X	✓	X	X	---	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tsinigine, Duane	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓+	---	---	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	---	X	X
Tsosie, Leonard	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓
Witherspoon, Dwight	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	S	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Yazzie, Edmund	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	---	---	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Yea	13	12	7	6	20	21	21	19	19	18	17	20	23	19	19	16	17	17	16	19	18	12	14
Nay	7	10	15	14	0	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	9	3
Did Not Vote	4	2	2	4	4	3	3	4	5	3	5	4	1	5	5	8	7	7	5	5	6	3	7
	Referred to Naa'bi'k'iyati'	Failed	Failed	Failed	Passed	Passed	Tabled	Passed	Tabled														
KEY	✓ Support = +1 X Oppose = -1 --- Did Not Vote = 0 + Primary Sponsor S = Speaker or Speaker Pro-Tem, No Voting Privileges (Unless to break a tie)																						

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