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WINDOW ROCK, ARIZ. — *The 25th Navajo Nation Council's Budget and Finance Committee passed Legislation No. 0075-23, sponsored by Council Delegate Seth Damon (Bááháálí, Chichiltah, Rock Springs, Tsayatoh), Manuelito, Tsé Lichíí', which amends sections of the Navajo Nation Procurement regulations on May 16. The legislation increased the "micro-purchase" limit to \$10,000. The act by the Budget and Finance Committee is a step toward expediting the Navajo Nation's process of securing goods and services.*

"Legislation 0075-23 is a major step toward expediting the process of securing goods and services on the Navajo Nation. Through Delegate Seth Damon's years of legislative experience and extensive knowledge of the Nation's cash flow, the Navajo people will feel an impact at the local level. Early on, the Budget and Finance Committee identified priorities to make differences for our people and the procurement process is one of them," Chairwoman Shaandiin Parrish (Council Delegate of Chilchinbeto, Dennehotso, Kayenta) said.

The Budget and Finance Committee held several work sessions and meetings with the Office of the Controller, Office of the Management and Budget, Department of Justice, and Fiscal Recovery Office to identify the challenges in the Navajo Nation's procurement process. The Committee continues to plan to make changes to the Navajo Nation Procurement Act.

"Legislation 0075-23 is a major policy change that our Navajo Nation departments, programs, and even chapters will feel on a daily basis. This very real change is a step in streamlining the services to our Navajo people. I really want to thank the Navajo Nation Department of Justice

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and the Fiscal Recovery Fund Office for their contributions,” Damon said.

The Budget and Finance Committee passed Legislation 0075-23 with a 4-0 vote. The committee has final authority over the legislation.

