



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

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PLACING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE *FINANCE*
MANUAL (5 HCC § 5) OUT FOR FORTY-FIVE DAY PUBLIC COMMENT
RESOLUTION 10-07-09 A**

- WHEREAS,** on November 1, 1994, the United States Secretary of the Interior approved a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(a) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution ("Constitution") grants the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") the power to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(f) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to set the salaries, terms and conditions of employment for all governmental personnel; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(i) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to negotiate and enter into treaties, compacts, contracts, and agreements with other governments, organizations, or individuals; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(r) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to protect and foster Ho-Chunk religious freedom, culture, language, and traditions; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(s) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to promote public health, education, charity, and such other services as may contribute to the social advancement of the members of the Ho-Chunk Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(x) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact any other laws, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes necessary to exercise its legislative powers delegated by the General Council pursuant to Article III including but not limited to the foregoing list of powers; and
- WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature passed the *Legislative Organization Act* (2 HCC § 11); and
- WHEREAS,** the *Legislative Organization Act* (2 HCC § 11) controls the process for amendments to laws of the Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** section 31, subparagraph d (1) (a) of the *Legislative Organization Act* provides that the Public Review period will typically be forty-five days; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislature adopted the *Finance Manual* (5 HCC § 5), which was last amended on May 18, 2005; and
- WHEREAS,** the *Finance Manual* controls the stipends provided to members of boards, committees, or commissions; and

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WHEREAS, the August 19, 2009 Black River Falls Area Meeting minutes provide "Motion by Judith Ann Thundercloud that the Law Enforcement committee pay both delegate and alternate if mandatory to attend meetings and training."; and

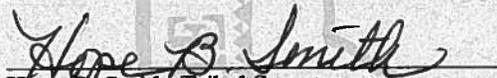
WHEREAS, at its September 9, 2009 Legislative Session, the Legislature referred this motion to the Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Development Committee, at its September 24, 2009 meeting, passed a motion to propose amendments to the *Finance Manual* and referred those back to the Legislature with a recommendation to place the proposed amendments out for forty-five day public comment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority places the proposed amendments to the *Finance Manual* (5 HCC § 5) out for forty-five day public comment.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of 13 members, of whom 12 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the 7th day of October, 2009, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 12 members, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, pursuant to the authority of Article V, Section 2(a) and (x) of the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 1, 1994, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. I further certify that this is a verified copy of said resolution.



Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary



Date

