

Revised: August 11, 2025

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
for the  
THIRD MEETING  
of the  
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**August 14-15, 2025  
Taos Civic Center, El Taoseno Room  
120 Civic Plaza Drive  
Taos**

**Thursday, August 14**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Call to Order and Introductions**  
                          —Senator Shannon D. Pinto, Chair, Indian Affairs Committee
- 10:15 a.m.       (1)   **[An Overview of the State-Tribal Collaboration Act](#)**  
                          —Paul Estok, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council Service
- 11:00 a.m.       (2)   **[Breaking Ground: Removing Roadblocks for Tribal Homeownership](#)**  
                          —Christopher Billey, Executive Director, Tribal Homeownership Coalition  
                              of the Southwest (THOCSW)  
                          —Melinda Williams, Program Manager, THOCSW
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.       (3)   **[Navajo Preparatory School Update](#)**  
                          —Shawna Allison Becenti, Head of School, Navajo Preparatory School
- 2:00 p.m.       (4)   **[Update from the Office of Indian Elder Affairs at the Aging and Long-Term Services Department \(ALTSD\)](#)**  
                          —Emily Kaltenbach, Secretary, ALTSD  
                          —Melissa Sanchez, Director, Office of Indian Elder Affairs, ALTSD
- 3:00 p.m.       (5)   **[Update on the Turquoise Alert System](#)**  
                          —Lieutenant Philip Vargas, New Mexico State Police Division, Department  
                              of Public Safety (NMSP)  
                          —Sergeant Ricardo Breceda, NMSP
- 4:00 p.m.           **Public Comment\***
- 4:30 p.m.           **Recess**

**Friday, August 15**

9:45 a.m.                **Reconvene**

10:00 a.m.        (6)    **The 2025 Regular Session by the Numbers**  
—Anthony "T.J." Trujillo, Trujillo Law Group  
—Jennifer Trujillo, Trujillo Law Group

10:30 a.m.        (7)    **Review of State-Federal Litigation**  
—Anjana Samant, Deputy Counsel for Impact Litigation, State Department  
of Justice

11:30 a.m.                **Public Comment\***

12:00 noon                **Adjourn**

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