

**MINUTES  
of the  
FIRST MEETING  
of the  
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**May 24, 2021  
Video Conference Meeting**

The first meeting of the Indian Affairs Committee was called to order by Senator Shannon D. Pinto, co-chair, on May 24, 2021 at 10:07 a.m. by video conference via an online platform.

**Present**

Rep. Georgene Louis, Co-Chair  
Sen. Shannon D. Pinto, Co-Chair  
Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon  
Rep. Anthony Allison  
Rep. Brittney Barreras  
Rep. Kelly K. Fajardo  
Sen. Leo Jaramillo  
Rep. D. Wonda Johnson  
Sen. Brenda G. McKenna  
Sen. Nancy Rodriguez  
Sen. William E. Sharer  
Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr.  
Rep. Martin R. Zamora

**Absent**

Rep. Zachary J. Cook  
Rep. Derrick J. Lente  
Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle  
Sen. Joshua A. Sanchez

**Advisory Members**

Rep. Gail Chasey  
Rep. Harry Garcia  
Sen. Linda M. Lopez  
Rep. Patricia A. Lundstrom  
Sen. Michael Padilla  
Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero  
Sen. William P. Soules  
Rep. Melanie A. Stansbury

Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos  
Sen. Stuart Ingle  
Rep. Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson

**Staff**

Lenaya Montoya, Legislative Council Service (LCS)  
Sara Wiedmaier, LCS

**Guests**

The guest list is in the meeting file.

**Handouts**

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

**References to Webcast**

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the committee meeting, which can be found at [www.nmlegis.gov](http://www.nmlegis.gov), under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and committee discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

**Monday, May 24****Welcome and Introductions (10:07 a.m.)**

Senator Pinto asked committee members to introduce themselves. Representative Louis led the committee in a welcoming prayer.

**Discussion of Focus Areas, Work Plan and Meeting Schedule (10:24 a.m.)**

Committee members discussed work plan topics and potential presenters. The co-chairs explained to the committee that due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, meeting locations were not official and would be decided at a later date after consulting tribal governments regarding their ability host the committee.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.