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Report

Date: 5/8/2025, Item No. 1

For Transmittal, Minutes of the Policy Session on February 25, 2025

Summary

This item transmits the Minutes of the Policy Session on February 25, 2025.

The Minutes are attached for review as **Attachment A**.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by the City Manager's Office.



ATTACHMENT A
City of Phoenix
Minutes

Meeting Location:
City Council Chambers
200 W. Jefferson St.
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

City Council Policy Session

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

2:30 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

The Phoenix City Council convened in Policy Session on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 2:34 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: 8 - Councilman Carlos Galindo-Elvira, Councilwoman Betty Guardado, Councilwoman Kesha Hodge Washington, Councilwoman Laura Pastor, Councilman Kevin Robinson, Councilwoman Debra Stark, Vice Mayor Ann O'Brien, and Mayor Kate Gallego

Absent: 1 - Councilman Jim Waring

Councilwoman Stark attended the meeting by telephone.

COUNCIL INFORMATION AND FOLLOW-UP REQUESTS

Councilwoman Stark recognized Mayor Kate Gallego for being named a 2025 Consumer News and Business Channel (CNBC) Changemaker. Councilwoman Stark also shared she participated in the Phoenix Police Foundation Honor Walk with Vice Mayor O'Brien.

Councilwoman Guardado reported she attended a ribbon-cutting event for the re-opening the El Oso Park baseball fields. She spoke about the importance of the re-opened fields to the surrounding West Phoenix communities and expressed her appreciation to the Tolano Family, Diamondbacks Foundation, and Parks and Recreation Department for their efforts in re-opening the fields. She also spoke about the recent Maryvale Mercado Kickoff event and stated there will be another Maryvale Mercado event on March 29 at the Maryvale Community Center. She shared that the Grand Opening of the Canalscape will also take place on March 29. She announced there will be a celebration of the 1,000th Gated Alley on March 22 at 59th Avenue and Coolidge Street.

Councilman Galindo-Elvira shared he attended the opening ceremony of Fire Station 62 and participation in the Point in Time (PIT) Count of people experiencing homelessness. He also stated he attended the South-Central Light Rail Extension ceremony, the Laveen Parade, NFBPA Black History Month Kickoff, and Laveen Barbecue (BBQ). He spoke about the Light Rail Construction along Central Avenue, and noted there may be heavier traffic in the area. He also announced there will be a community celebration of the first trains reaching the South-Central Extension on March 8.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington spoke about attending multiple events including the 3rd Annual Hike with a Firefighter, Hear from a Park Ranger event, the Laveen Parade, Junior Achievement Three-Dimensional Education (3DE) Kickoff, Broadway House Apartment Carnival, Devin Booker Starting Five Court Unveiling, National Forum for Black Public Administrators and Phoenix Hispanic Network Afro-Latino Celebration, Phoenix Convention Center's Black History Month Exhibit, Matsuri Festival, Eastlake Jazz Festival, Central City Community Connections, and the 73rd Annual Laveen BBQ. She shared information regarding the upcoming "Coffee with Kesha", which will be held on February 28.

Councilwoman Pastor spoke about her recent listening session titled, "Navigating PHX C.A.R.E.S. Forum", which provided information to residents on how to report encampments and listen to residents' experiences. She attended the Coronado and Willo Neighborhood Street Fairs, Sueño Park Grand Opening, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Commemorative March, and Falcon Park Ribbon Cutting for its new playground. She provided information on several events that are taking place in District 4 and a neighborhood cleanup event, which will take place on César Chávez Day.

CONSENT ACTION

This item is scheduled to allow the City Council to act on the Mayor's recommendations on the Consent Agenda. There is no Consent Agenda for this meeting.

CALL FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

A vote may be held to call an Executive Session for a future date.

REPORTS AND BUDGET UPDATES BY THE CITY MANAGER

This item is scheduled to allow the City Manager to provide brief informational reports on topics of interest to the City Council. The City Council may discuss these reports but no action will be taken.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION (ITEMS 1-2)

1 General Fund 2025-26 Preliminary Budget Status and Multi-Year Forecast - Citywide

Mayor Gallego introduced the item stating that recent actions by the State Legislature pose challenges to the upcoming General Fund in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 and the Forecast going forward. She explained reductions in General Fund and voter approved funding sources will have indirect impacts to public services provided by the City. She also spoke about additional actions being considered by the State Legislature, which would have a negative budgetary impact on the City.

City Manager Jeffrey Barton introduced the Multi-Year Forecast, and noted it is a critical part of balancing the budget forecast. He noted that the forecast this year is even more important due to the actions taken by the State Legislature, and said the City is faced with tough choices of trying to meet the growing demand for public services with the constraints placed on the City. He also added that the portion of the Transaction Privilege Tax (TPT) revenue allocated to the General Fund has stayed the same since 1986, while the services provided by the City has expanded greatly since then.

Budget and Research Director Amber Williamson explained the Multi-Year Forecast provides a framework for adopting a balanced budget and inform decisions on providing City services. She stated the General Fund Budget Forecast is composed of forecasting various components of resources and expenditures, assuming there will be no changes in future fees or sources of revenue while taking the impacts from SB 1131 (Residential Rental Sales Tax) and SB 1828 (State Shared Income Tax) into account.

Councilwoman Pastor asked what makes up Local Sales and Excise Taxes.

Ms. Williamson answered the Local Sales and Excise Taxes primarily include the TPT and use taxes. She presented the 2025-2026 General Fund Preliminary Status, which estimates a \$36 million estimated deficit, and the Multi-Year Forecast, which projects a greater deficit in 2026-2027 and a deficit in 2027-2028 as well. She spoke about several budget considerations such as a need for more resources to lower Fire Emergency Service response times, efforts to help unsheltered individuals, maintaining competitiveness of the employee salary and benefits, and operating costs associated with the General Obligation (GO) Bond Program. She presented the history and impact of the potential TPT rate increase to the 2025-2026 General Fund Preliminary Status and the Multi-year Forecast, which would lead to a baseline surplus of \$19 million in 2025-2026, and \$49 million in 2026-2027. She outlined the next steps for the budget adoption process.

Councilman Galindo-Elvira noted the conversion of 32 firefighter positions funded by the SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) grant, which will be expiring soon, to the General Fund and that adding Fire Stations will improve the health and quality of life for City firefighters. He also stated homelessness is a complex issue and the City is taking this issue head-on while other cities are not stepping up the same way.

Councilwoman Guardado asked when the Councilmembers will see the list of potential cuts.

Mr. Barton replied Councilmembers will receive a list of potential cuts before the Trial Budget on March 18.

Councilwoman Guardado noted it was critical to maintain services that help working class families in the City. She inquired if the City was proposing to cut services for working class families.

Mr. Barton responded any cuts in the Trial Budget will not impair services being provided by the City and most of the savings would come from a reduction in contractual and commodity spending.

Councilwoman Guardado asked if employee turnover has been reduced since the completion and implementation of the Class and Comp Study.

Mr. Barton replied that the study had a significant impact on reducing the vacancy rate.

Ms. Williamson added the vacancy rate had reduced from 17 percent to 11 percent as a result of the adjustments based on the Class and Comp Study. She stated although the reduced vacancy rate indicates a more effective attraction and retention of employees at the City, this also creates pressure on the City's budget.

Councilwoman Guardado asked how much of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding had been used to subsidize the City's budget.

Mr. Barton answered the City has been aggressive in spending ARPA funding and there were reallocations of unspent funding last year for ongoing programs and services.

Councilwoman Guardado asked what the deficit to the City would be once all the ARPA funding was spent.

Mr. Barton replied that ARPA funding was mostly utilized to cover one-time costs, but there are ongoing operating costs that follow, such as the shelters provided by the Office of Homeless Solutions, which is estimated to be \$25 million per year going forward.

Councilwoman Guardado commended City employees for doing more for residents over the years than other cities and stressed the importance of increasing the TPT rate to ensure the City continues to provide critical services to the residents.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington asked if the City can pull from any TPT revenue outside of the 1.2 percent dedicated to the General Fund for

other uses.

Ms. Williamson answered other portions of the TPT revenue are voter approved taxes for specific purposes and should not be used for other purposes.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington stated she was impressed by the efficiency of the City to provide more services with less staff per capita.

Mr. Barton acknowledged this was the result of the current and former Mayor and Council making nimble decisions to provide services to a rapidly growing population with limited resources.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington emphasized the expected deficits to the General Fund Budget are due to State Legislature's actions, not the City being mismanaged. She asked what would happen if the Council does not increase the TPT rate.

Ms. Williamson answered if there was not an increase in revenue, there would need to be a reduction in programs and services.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington inquired if that meant potentially eliminating filled employee positions that are in place to implement the programs and services.

Ms. Williamson explained that not increasing the TPT rate would prompt the City to potentially eliminate filled positions.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington stated she looked forward to working with her colleagues and making the best decisions for the residents. She asked if the staff recommendation was to implement a TPT rate increase to 2.8 percent.

Ms. Williamson confirmed the recommendation from staff was to increase the TPT rate to 2.8 percent.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington emphasized the passing of the GO Bond demonstrates that voters prioritize and appreciate City services.

Councilwoman Stark stressed the budget forecast was not caused by the City but reductions to taxes that the City heavily relies on due to the State Legislature's actions. She expressed her desire to maintain services to the residents and support staff.

Councilman Robinson said he had spoken with community members who are supportive of the TPT rate increase. He asked if the TPT rate increase is enough to resolve the City's deficit, and whether the City should consider further increasing the rate.

Mr. Barton answered while there will still be a demand for more resources, the proposed budget will have a dramatic impact on services, especially providing additional resources to the Fire Department's ability to reducing response time.

Councilman Robinson said the City must work to ensure the Fire Department is adequately staffed.

Vice Mayor O'Brien asked if the budget includes additional staffing associated with new fire stations.

Mr. Barton replied while excise tax proceeds will be used to finance capital expenses for additional fire apparatus and additional fire units, ongoing operating costs will be funded by the proposed general fund.

Vice Mayor O'Brien inquired if the Fire Department had projections on how the additions to fire apparatus, fire units, fire stations and staffing would impact response times.

Mr. Barton explained phase one of the additions is expected to reduce the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) response times.

Vice Mayor O'Brien asked how the budget projections incorporated anticipated population growth in the City.

Mr. Barton responded the GO Bond program includes two more fire stations being added in District 1, which will partly mitigate the growing

demand for emergency services.

Fire Chief Mike Duran added the Fire Department uses 20-year growth projections for both population and anticipated call volume to forecast needed resources for effective response time.

Vice Mayor O'Brien stressed the City has made improvements to the Fire Department and it is important to continue to do so. She highlighted that the number of employees per capita is a third less than it was in 1980, and said this showcases the efficiency of the City. She asked how the Council responded to the 2008 recession to balance the City's budget.

Mr. Barton answered the City made significant cuts, including compensation cuts, furloughs, and implemented a temporary food tax.

Vice Mayor O'Brien emphasized the importance of ensuring the City is not cutting any services. She asked if the vacancy rate was 17 percent before Class and Comp.

Ms. Williamson replied Class and Comp helped reduce the vacancy rate from 17 percent to 11 percent.

Vice Mayor O'Brien questioned what the effect of the reduced vacancy rate is on efficiency of the City.

Ms. Williamson answered filled positions help deliver services to the residents and spoke to the importance of maintaining competitiveness to attract and retain talent at the City.

Vice Mayor O'Brien asked if the proposed bill in the State Legislature to decrease state income tax to 2 percent is included in the forecast.

Ms. Williamson explained the forecast does not include any proposed legislation.

Vice Mayor O'Brien expressed the potential TPT increase will have a minimal impact for residents.

The Mayor called on residents who signed up to speak on the item.

Mari Yepez expressed support for the TPT increase as City services allows her son to participate in organized sports.

Jason Henley expressed support for increasing tax revenue through the TPT increase to support the City's workforce, which is the foundation in the City's success in maintaining critical infrastructure.

Andrea Ramirez expressed her concern regarding the City's need to balance its budget and that many vital programs may be cut as a result. She urged the Council to consider maintaining or even expanding programs through the tax increase.

Timothy Jenkins expressed his concerns regarding budget shortfalls and the negative impacts to various programs such as the gated alley program, speed hump program, and the shade tree program, which significantly contributed to creating safer neighborhoods.

Teresa Hill expressed her support for the increase in taxes to recover funding lost due to action from the State Legislature. She urged the State Legislature to be more considerate of people that need services and thanked the Council for putting residents first.

Elizabeth Aguilar asked the Council to focus on families struggling with inflation and continue to provide services that enhance communities and expressed support for the TPT increase.

Rebecca Jenkins stated programs such as the gated alley program, speed hump program, and shade tree program should be continued as they are necessary and effective.

Mayor Gallego asked about what the implications of the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee's consideration of repealing tax exemptions to municipal bonds provided by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 to the City especially within the context of GO Bond.

Mr. Barton explained that taking away tax-exempt status for municipal bonds would lead to significant consequences and noted a substantial

tax would have to be paid for bonds being issued.

Mayor Gallego stressed the importance of recognizing the negative consequences of the elimination of tax-exempt status on bonds would be not only to the City, but also to Salt River Project, Central Arizona Project, and construction that occur nationwide. She thanked staff for their efforts and community members for their input in the budget process and recognized homelessness as a priority for the City.

Councilwoman Pastor asked what happened in 2022 regarding state shared income tax.

Ms. Williamson answered in 2022, Governor Ducey introduced a flat income tax, which significantly reduced tax revenue for the City and the State. She noted it will have a \$125 million impact over the next two fiscal years to the City.

Councilwoman Pastor inquired how the elimination of residential rental tax will impact the City.

Ms. Williamson explained that the ongoing annual impact on the General Fund is approximately \$50 million and approximately \$90 million when accounting for losses in voter approved specialty. She said the City fund will ultimately see a \$320 million loss to FY 2027-2028.

Councilwoman Pastor asked if those losses will have an impact on public safety.

Ms. Williamson answered the losses have an impact on both the General Fund and the Public Safety Specialty Fund.

Councilwoman Pastor questioned whether not increasing the TPT rate would impact GO Bond projects.

Ms. Williamson responded while the GO Bond program itself will not be impacted, operating costs of the GO Bond program will be affected as those are funded by the General Fund.

Councilwoman Pastor asked whether the ongoing GO Bond Program costs would prompt consideration of additional sources of revenue.

Ms. Williamson answered the City would have to find ways to either add additional sources of revenue or find areas to cut in order to adopt a balanced budget.

Councilwoman Pastor inquired if the portion of the TPT revenue allocated to the General Fund has been 1.2 percent since 1986.

Ms. Williamson affirmed that it was correct.

Councilwoman Pastor asked if the proposed supplementals related to firefighter positions that are funded by the SAFER Grant and operating cost of shelters established using ARPA funding are going to have to be funded by the general fund going forward.

Ms. Williamson explained the supplementals are proposed additions to the General Fund.

Councilwoman Pastor asked if the supplementals will be funded.

Ms. Williamson answered it would be funded by the increased TPT rate, if approved by Council.

Councilwoman Pastor requested staff explain the excise tax.

Ms. Williamson advised excise taxes include City sales tax, as well as state shared sales tax, income tax and vehicle license tax.

Councilwoman Pastor asked what the excise tax is being used for.

Ms. Williamson answered state shared tax revenue is being allocated to the General Fund, while City sales tax revenue gets allocated to the General Fund as well as other voter-approved specialty funds.

Councilwoman Pastor inquired what potential State bills will have negative budgetary consequences for the City.

Mr. Barton said he would work with Office of Government Relations staff to incorporate impacts of potential bills into informational packets for the upcoming Trial Budget presentation on March 18.

Councilwoman Pastor emphasized the importance of incorporating potential bills so the public can better understand the impact on the City.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington asked how the current changes at the federal government impact the City's funding sources like Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Mr. Barton replied the changes at the federal government is another risk to account for and there is uncertainty on how the City can be affected.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington inquired whether staff had considered the budgetary impact of Propositions that were voted on in 2024, such as Proposition 312, to the City of Phoenix.

Ms. Williamson answered the forecast does not include impacts due to propositions as there is uncertainty on how it would affect the City.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington said that while the City is striving to provide more services to residents, the State Legislature continues to add budgetary pressure on the capacity to provide those services. She asked if the Council is limited to what has been posted in terms of actions to mitigate the impact of the State Legislature.

Mr. Barton answered as it pertains to the sales tax notice, the City cannot exceed what has already been posted.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington inquired if the City needs to go through another tax increase when faced with greater pressure from the Federal Government and State Legislature.

Mr. Barton replied yes.

Mayor Gallego stated defederalization of the government is underway, which is something the City must consider going forward.

Councilman Galindo-Elvira remarked that the presentation demonstrates City staff is doing its part in ensuring all measures have been taken to be more fiscally responsible and urged fellow Councilmembers to support the TPT rate increase.

2 Wildland Urban Interface Fire Preparedness - Citywide

Mayor Gallego introduced the item which had significant demand from the community on the City's preparedness to deal with wildfires.

Assistant City Manager Lori Bays stated the presentation will provide important information regarding emergency preparedness at the City of Phoenix.

Executive Assistant Fire Chief Tim Kreis explained the City of Phoenix collaborates with municipalities in Arizona and globally to share best practices. He stated in 2019, there was a community risk reduction effort in response to growth of vegetation due to the increase in precipitation in 2018 and 2019, and presented ways communities can be better prepared for brush fires. He stated the Fire Department has an assessment of where the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) exist, so that when there is a fire in these areas, the WUI deployment plan is activated and there is a surge in department resources allocated to a WUI incident. He acknowledged WUI challenges continue to evolve and there is a perpetual WUI management cycle to continue to train and prepare for wildfires.

Water Services Department (WSD) Director Troy Hayes stated WSD's water treatment production has established redundancy, providing resiliency to the system. He explained WSD conducted a comprehensive review of fire hydrant maintenance in 2021 and have diligently tested and ensured compliance with fire codes to maintain over 99 percent of fire hydrants to be operational.

Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Director Brian Lee emphasized emergency preparedness requires effective planning and

preparedness, resource coordination and operational response, and communication across various departments and agencies. He stated planning and preparedness refers to establishing a Hazard Mitigation Plan, which identifies hazards, and develops strategies for mitigation of the hazards. He explained if an emergency breaks out, OEM activates the Emergency Operations Center and coordinates traffic, evacuation, and sheltering of displaced individuals. He added OEM also coordinates effective and unified communications and messaging among agencies and to the public.

Mayor Gallego stated historically 60 percent of wildfires in the area have been caused by humans and there are many people that have a role in managing wildfires.

Councilman Robinson expressed appreciation of the partnership of internal and external stakeholders, which is critical in response to wildfires.

Councilman Galindo-Elvira asked what happens when there is a collapse in wireless communication.

Commander Lee answered there is built-in redundancy in place and multiple platforms that can be utilized such as social media, but the bigger concern is provision of unified messaging to the right people at the right time.

Councilman Galindo-Elvira inquired if the chemical retardant used for wildfire is harmful to firefighters.

Chief Kreis answered no.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington asked if there is any inspection being conducted for WUI identified areas for excessive vegetation.

Chief Kreis explained if firefighters discover any potential risk, it will be communicated to the appropriate personnel or agency so that fuel reduction is carried out.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington inquired if there are any maintenance

requirements for parties occupying WUI identified areas.

Chief Kreis answered that the Fire Department works closely with APS and SRP as well as the State Fire Department regarding inspections of their facilities and coordinate efforts to mitigate firefighter risks.

Councilwoman Hodge Washington stated one of the frustrations with the recent wildfire in Southern California was the water issue and asked if appropriate water pressure is being maintained at the City.

Mr. Hayes explained the fire hydrant systems are designed to achieve 20 Pounds per Square Inch (PSI), which is considered safe pressure that firefighters can use in response to fire incidents.

Councilwoman Pastor inquired what the status is on fire hydrant maintenance.

Mr. Hayes answered in 2022, there was a backlog of fire hydrants needing to be maintained, which has been resolved. He added there is currently less than 1 percent of fire hydrants that cannot be used, also noting that GPS information on operational fire hydrants is shared with the Fire Department.

Councilman Galindo-Elvira asked what the protocol is for a wildfire similar to the recent one in Southern California.

Mr. Lee explained the Fire Department usually assumes primary response to fires, ensures that all members of the City leadership, Mayor and Council are notified, and departments that need to be involved will be coordinated by the Fire Department.

Vice Mayor O'Brien inquired how the City works with surrounding municipalities.

Chief Kreis answered the City works together with surrounding municipalities through the automatic aid system, which makes all 30 participating municipalities a large Fire Department using the same training, procedures, and dispatch systems.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gallego declared the meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.



Office of Homeless Solutions Program Report

This report is issued monthly to provide the City Council an update regarding the City's ongoing efforts to address homelessness within our community by the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS). This report does not encompass all the City's efforts to address homelessness but rather reviews key highlights from the preceding month and updates on major upcoming projects.

Summary

The City of Phoenix is committed to working with the community, service providers, and regional partners to implement solutions that address homelessness and mitigate neighborhood impacts. The information below are highlights from OHS in the areas of shelter, outreach, procurement, and success stories.

Phoenix Navigation Center (PNC)

Phase I of the PNC opened in July 2024 with a capacity of up to 140 individuals. Phase II was completed in March 2025 with a total PNC capacity of up to 280 individuals. The full site will be completed by end of summer. The completion of this shelter for people experiencing homelessness marks a significant milestone in the City's ongoing efforts. It is the tenth project the City has partnered to open or expand since 2022. The opening also comes at a crucial time, ensuring more people have access to cool, indoor spaces before the dangerous summer temperatures begin.

Program Update

Between July 2024 and April 30, 2025, the PNC has served a total of 629 individuals, of which 199 are currently staying at the site. Of the individuals that have exited the PNC, 64 are now in housing. The positive exits seen are a result of collaboration and coordination between OHS, Community Bridges Inc. (CBI), and St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP). These partners work with each individual, leveraging expertise and resources.

Safe Outdoor Space (SOS) Update

The City of Phoenix made a safe, outdoor structured campground site available in November 2023. The SOS was established to provide an alternative placement solution other than indoor shelter for those camping in the area surrounding the Key Campus (formerly the Human Services Campus). The site is operated in partnership

with the Key Campus, CBI, and SVdP, offering 200 camp sites for up to 300 individuals. The SOS also includes on-site services such as heat/winter respite, case management, meals, and behavioral health services.

Program Update

Between November 1, 2023 and April 30, 2025, the SOS has served a total of 1,644 individuals, of which 255 are currently staying at the site. Of those that have exited the site, 125 people are now in housing. The positive exits seen are a result of collaboration and coordination between OHS, CBI, and the Key Campus partners. These partners work with each individual, leveraging expertise and resources.

Additionally, OHS has partnered with ARIZONA@WORK, SVdP and St. Joseph the Worker to provide workforce development services. These workforce providers meet with individuals seeking employment opportunities and provide assistance with resume building, job readiness, clothing, and referrals to employers with vacant positions. Many supplemental services have also been offered on-site to guests. Supplemental resources include Valley Dogs Rescue, who provides preventive care and vaccinations for pets, and Street Medicine Phoenix, who provide basic medical and first aid.

Community Court

Community Court has served 442 participants from January 2024 through March 2025. Of these, 74 participants have graduated from the program with achievements including: obtaining vital documents, entering shelter, addressing their physical and mental health, and gaining employment. The collaboration of the Prosecutor's Office, Public Defender's Office, OHS, and CBI continues to create individualized plans to assist individuals in addressing their homelessness and help participants achieve their goals.

Community Court Success Story

In August 2024, a couple came to the court together and both decided to accept entering Community Court. Within a few weeks of entering the program, they were connected to shelter and began working with their case managers. Through the program, they both obtained their vital documents including their identification, social security card, and birth certificates. They worked with their case managers to get connected to medical appointments and a mental health provider. Through their combined income, they were able to move into their own apartment in March. With all of their success, they graduated from the Community Court program in early April 2025.

Office of Homeless Solutions Staff Outreach Success Stories

Success Story

An OHS Caseworker engaged with a male individual during outreach on 35th Avenue and Indian School Road. He stated he had been on the street for a while and was ready to go into shelter. He noted there were a few barriers and health issues stopping him before but he was ready. The Caseworker coordinated with an OHS supervisor to secure shelter at Central Arizona Shelter Services (CASS). During engagement he stated there was a list of things he would like to accomplish while in shelter. The OHS Caseworker provided information to different organizations and community partners that could help him. The OHS Caseworker transported him to CASS, where he could start the process of ending his homelessness.

Success Story

A Homeless Liaison was notified of an unsheltered male sleeping along a sidewalk in front of a restaurant. The Liaison learned the individual had been on the streets since last summer. The individual stated he usually stayed in a park during the day. The Liaison told him about the PNC and the individual immediately said he would like to enter shelter. The Liaison reserved a bed and transported him to the PNC.

Success Story

A Homeless Liaison met a physically disabled 58-year-old female and her 56-year-old boyfriend along a sidewalk. They had been on the streets on and off for several years. They had income and were hoping to move into an affordable apartment soon but needed a temporary place to live. The female was keen on receiving immediate assistance, and after speaking with her boyfriend, the Liaison convinced them to get help. The couple agreed to be transported to the SOS.

Success Story

A Homeless Liaison engaged two individuals who indicated they were a couple at 52nd Street and Taylor. The female was 46-years-old and her boyfriend was 65-years-old. She is battling cancer and substance abuse. He struggles with mental health and substance abuse. The Liaison informed them of assistance they could receive at the SOS. They were interested in getting off the streets and asked the Liaison to help transport their belongings. Once at SOS, they were eager to connect with all the services offered at the program and to sleep in a safe location.

Success Story

Liaisons conducted outreach at Norton Park and engaged a male individual who had two dogs. He reported being homeless with his wife for approximately two months. His wife was currently hospitalized and expected to be discharged and transitioned to an inpatient rehabilitation facility. He stated he was laid off from his job, which led to their

homelessness. He was seeking shelter but owned two pets. The Liaison contacted a coworker and was able to arrange for one pet to be fostered. He met with Valley Dogs Rescue and signed all required documents. The individual was then escorted to the PNC by CBI, where an intake was completed.

Success Story

Homeless Liaisons outreached one male individual who indicated he had been homeless for approximately two years. The male individual indicated he became homeless because he was evicted from his apartment for lack of payment. He indicated he had been unable to recover since being evicted. He indicated he was a veteran and upon checking eligibility requirements, he qualified for housing programs and veteran benefits. The Liaisons contacted Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Rapid Rehousing (RRH) program requesting assistance. One of the Liaisons spoke with the program supervisor who indicated the client would be accepted. The Liaison contacted CBI Rio Fresco asking for placement assistance. The Liaisons were able to secure him placement at Rio Fresco and the male individual was accepted into the RRH program.

Shelter Projects

Attachment A represents a summary of new shelter beds created with City of Phoenix investments. This includes the 592 indoor shelter beds created in 2022, 482 temporary shelter beds in 2023, 370 additional indoor shelter beds in 2024, and 380 additional beds that have opened or will open in 2025.

Below are success stories submitted in the last month by funded partners.

Success Story

The North Mountain Healing Center celebrates another positive month marked by success in changing the lives of nine individuals. They successfully housed nine individuals, each towards stability and independence. Out of these nine individuals, two have taken significant steps by enrolling in residential treatment programs. One of the clients is back with the support of their friends and family, demonstrating that healing sometimes means reconnecting with loved ones who can provide emotional support and a sense of belonging. The remaining six individuals have moved into independent and sustainable housing. Providing them with the necessary resources and guidance, North Mountain Healing Center has empowered clients to move forward confidently.

Success Story

A mother and her children were living in their car after fleeing a domestic violence situation. They were receiving some income for her child's disability. From the moment

they entered United Methodist Outreach Ministries (UMOM) family shelter, she began looking for housing. She was able to quickly find an apartment within the budget of her daughter's Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and received assistance from HOME INC to cover move in costs. She successfully moved into her own housing after only three weeks at the shelter.

Success Story

A 71-year-old female went to Community Court last year with an outstanding warrant and significant past fines. She was nervous about being arrested due to unawareness of her past cases. At intake, she was enrolled in shelter at the SOS. The Community Court team provided wrap-around services, helping her with vital documents, shelter coordination, and medical needs. After some setbacks, including exiting from SOS and resuming camping at a park, the case manager continued to assist her. She secured shelter at Rio Fresco for her and her partner. The client then actively followed all directives from the court team, graduated from Regional Homeless Court, and her fines were suspended. She is connected to a housing team and looks forward to her future.

Success Story

A 54-year-old has been working at a locally owned sandwich shop in downtown Phoenix for the past four years. Despite maintaining employment, he has struggled with homelessness and has stayed at the CASS Single-Adult Shelter consistently. He met with a CASS case manager, and together they developed a 60-day plan for him to obtain permanent housing. The plan included saving money, time management, and practicing independent living skills. He adhered to the guidelines of the plan produced in collaboration with his CASS case manager. In well under 60 days, he signed a lease for a one-bedroom apartment and left CASS.

Success Story

The Southwest Behavioral Health Services (SWBH) team enrolled a client who needed assistance with housing, psychiatric services, substance use, obtaining documents, a phone, and a new food stamps card. The team coordinated with attorneys and social workers for his third-party release. He agreed to a plan that involved evaluation at Valley Hospital followed by transfer to a sober living/substance use program. After his release, the team transported him to Valley Hospital, where he filled out intake forms. He called the team, expressing satisfaction with the program and shared his upcoming transfer to a sober living home in Mesa. He also enrolled in intensive outpatient classes at Valley. Once at the sober living facility, the client asked for help with transportation to the Department of Economic Security office where he successfully replaced his food stamps card. The team also provided a food box in the meantime. After a follow-up court date, his attorney was impressed with his progress. His

resilience and commitment to working on himself, along with consistent communication with the team, are expected to support his success in his court case.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Deputy City Manager Gina Montes and the Office of Homeless Solutions.

ATTACHMENT A

New Shelter Beds - Added in 2022	
Provider/Shelter	New Beds Added
Human Services Campus – Respiro	100
Washington Relief Center	200
CASS – Single Adult Shelter Expansion	175
CBI – Rio Fresco Hotel Lease / Future Acquisition	117
Total	592

New Temporary Shelter Beds Added in 2023	
Provider/Shelter	New Beds Added
Lutheran Social Services – I-HELP- <i>Closed</i>	20
Washington Shelter Additional Temporary Capacity- <i>Closed</i>	60
Temporary Lodging – St. Vincent de Paul - <i>Closed</i>	50
Temporary Lodging – Mercy House - <i>Closed</i>	50
Temporary Lodging – A New Leaf - <i>Closed</i>	102
Temporary Lodging – CASS - <i>Closed</i>	60
Temporary Lodging – Community Bridges, Inc.- <i>Closed</i>	140
Total	482

New Shelter Beds - Added in 2024	
Provider/Shelter	New Beds Added
Phoenix Navigation Center (Phase 1)	140
St. Vincent de Paul – Ozanam Manor II	100
CBI – North Mountain Healing Center (Phase 1)	30
UMOM – New Day Center, Family Shelter (20 units)	100
Total	370

New Shelter Beds – Completed Or To Be Added in 2025		
Provider/Shelter	New Beds Added	Est. Open Date
CASS – The Haven Senior Shelter	170	Jan 2025
Phoenix Navigation Center (Phase 2)	140	March 2025
CBI – North Mountain Healing Center (Phase 2)	70	2025
Total	380	

Future Planned Shelter Beds		
Provider/Shelter	New Beds / Units	Est. Open Date
Salvation Army – Family Shelter (12 units)	60	TBD



2025 State Legislative Session Report

This report provides information regarding the status of state legislative bills impacting the City.

Summary

May 7, 2025, is the 115th day of the First Regular Session of the 57th Arizona State Legislature. **Attachment A** provides current status of legislation. To date, 1,806 bills have been introduced and staff continues to review these measures to identify potential impacts.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by City Manager Jeffrey Barton and the Office of Government Relations.

Attachment A
City Council Information
May 7, 2025



The Office of Government Relations is guided by the principles endorsed by the Mayor and Council. Our highest priorities are maintaining and preserving **shared revenues**, opposing **unfunded mandates**, protecting **local authority**, and involvement in **water resource** matters.

This Legislative Report provides the most current information about bills that could impact the City. May 7, 2025, is the 115th day of the First Regular Session of the 57th Legislature. To date, 1,806 bills have been introduced, and staff continues to review these measures to identify potential impacts.

Please note that strikeout bills are no longer active.

~~HB2002 – Transportation tax; deposit; county board~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Teresa Martinez (R)

~~Summary:~~ Outlines how net revenues collected for the Transportation Excise Tax, including interest collected on these revenues, that are not distributed to the appropriate fund, or refunded according to state law, are to be distributed by the Arizona Department of Transportation to counties pursuant to state law, based on population size for transportation projects within those counties. The effective date commences on April 9, 2026.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/13/2025 H – Removed from Hearing Agenda – 02/19/2025, 10:00 AM – House WM, HHR 3

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

~~HB2004 – Voter registration cards; mailing limitation~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. John Gillette (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits the county recorders from providing an initial or updated voter registration card to a person whose mailing address is outside the state of Arizona, except for absent uniformed services voters or overseas voters as defined in the

~~Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, and persons who are residents of Arizona and who are not served by a United States Post Office.~~

~~**Last Action:** 04/15/2025 G - Vetoed~~

~~**COP Position:** Pending~~

HB2005 - Voter registrations; recorder; inactive status

Sponsor: Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary: Permits the county recorders to place a person's voter registration information in inactive status and provide the person with notice of the action, if the County Recorder believes the person provided fraudulent or incorrect voter registration information.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 S - DP - Senate Judiciary and Elections

COP Position: Monitor

Ch. 47, Laws 2025 (HB2013 - Public safety cancer insurance)

Sponsor: Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary: Permits the Board of Trustees of the Arizona Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (Board) to use up to 10 percent of total claims paid, averaged over the last five years of monies deposited into the Public Safety Cancer Insurance Policy Account, to cover the cost of administering the program. The costs associated with this measure excludes the costs of processing claims. Repeals the prior calculation for covering costs to administer the program.

Last Action: 04/08/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2015 - EORP; CORP; funded ratio

Sponsor: Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary: Requires administrators of the Arizona Elected Officials Retirement Plan to deposit excess valuation of the retirement plan, per an assessment by the plan's actuary, up to 100 percent of present value, of all future benefits of the employer, into a stabilization reserve account. Provides that a member's contribution to the plan that exceeds 7 percent of their compensation may not be used to reduce the employer's contribution to the plan until the employer's funded ratio exceeds 100 percent and that the amount above 7 percent of a member's contribution shall be held until the employer's funded ration meets the 100 percent threshold. Requires that the member's and employer's contribution for a fiscal year may not be less than the actuarially determined normal cost for that fiscal year and prohibits the board from suspending contributions to the plan unless certain requirements are met. Removes the stipulation that an employer's contribution may not be less than 6 percent of a member's salary. Permits transfer of excess assets of an employer's account under certain conditions.

Last Action: 03/18/2025 S - Senate Minority Caucus - Y

COP Position: Neutral

~~**HB2017 - Voting centers ban; precinct size**~~

~~**Sponsor:** Rep. Rachel Jones (R)~~

Summary: Prohibits a designated election precinct from containing more than 1,000 registered voters at the time County Board of Supervisors designate precincts. Prohibits the Board from authorizing the use of voting centers in place of or in addition to specifically designated polling places and repeals all other associated mandates and prohibitions.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G – Vetoed

COP Position: Oppose

HB2031 – Boards and commissions; repeal

Sponsor: Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: Removes performing listed administrative functions pursuant to state law for the Arizona Beef Council from the Animal Services Division of the Arizona State Department of Agriculture (ASDA.) Removes the duties of conducting hearings on appeals by producers regarding assessed actual costs of the plow up and the penalty of 150 percent for unpaid costs pursuant to state law and adopting rules to implement the hearings from the duties of the Director of the ASDA. Prohibits the Director from requesting the Cotton Research and Protection Council (CRPC) provide monies pursuant to state law to help defray the ASDA's cost of abatement until the owner or person in charge reimburses the ASDA for those costs. Removes the requirement that the CRPC approve efforts by the director to treat, spray, control, suppress, or eradicate noxious weeds, crop pests, or diseases through a county wide, area wide, or statewide program or programs that have been approved or authorized by the ASDA. Removes receiving approval from the School Bus Advisory Council as a permissible reason for a school district to select a pre-approved contract carrier or private party. Remove the requirement of the Arizona Department of public safety consult with the Student Transportation Advisory Council (STAC) when adopting rules to improve the health and welfare of student passengers and the requirement of school bus drivers consult with the STAC on minimum standards for school bus certification for a vehicle designed to transport 16 or more students. Lists rules and criteria for serving as an Executive Director for the Acupuncture Board of Examiners. Removes date references for training for members of the Arizona Health Profession Regulatory Board. Entitles the Act the Abolition of Functionally Unnecessary Excessive Regulators Act. (More.)

Last Action: 02/26/2025 H – PASSED – House Motion to Reconsider Third

COP Position: Oppose

HB2033 – NOW: solar; building permits; approval process

Sponsor: Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary: Requires municipalities and counties, by January 1, 2026, to adopt an online instant permitting process for home power installations.

Bill History: 04/30/2025 S - RETAINED - Senate Additional Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Oppose

HB2045 – Ballot order; names; parties; rotation

Sponsor: Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: Removes the exclusion for alternating the names of candidates on ballots in listed elections and during listed election-related activities. Requires that beginning in

~~2027, the parties are to be alternated on the ballots used in each election precinct so that each party appears substantially in equal number of times at the top, bottom, and in each intermediate place of the list or group of parties in which they belong.~~

~~**Last Action:** 04/01/2025 S — FAILED — Senate Third Reading~~

~~**COP Position:** Monitor~~

HB2046 — Audits; precincts; voting centers

~~**Sponsor:** Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Adds voting centers in with precincts for hand counts and defines when hand counts are to begin in listed election scenarios.~~

~~**Last Action:** 05/06/2025 G — Vetoed~~

~~**COP Position:** Neutral~~

HB2050 — Provisional ballots; cure data

~~**Sponsor:** Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Adds electors that voted with a provisional ballot to the list of voter signatures that are to be sent to political parties after specified elections by the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections.~~

~~**Last Action:** 05/06/2025 G — Vetoed~~

~~**COP Position:** Monitor~~

HB2056 — Geoengineering; prohibition

~~**Sponsor:** Rep. Lisa Fink (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Prohibits any person in Arizona from engaging in “Geoengineering” (defined). Requires the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to investigate any credible reports of geoengineering in Arizona, and actively encourage the public to monitor, document and report any instances of geoengineering in Arizona. Requires any person who gathers evidence of geoengineering in Arizona to submit the evidence, including the location of the evidence gathered, by e-mail or in writing to ADEQ, law enforcement or public officials. Requires law enforcement or any public officials who receive evidence of geoengineering and has reasonable grounds to suspect a violation of this legislation has occurred, to forward the evidence within 24 hours after receipt to ADEQ. Requires ADEQ, within two hours of receiving credible reports of geoengineering, to conduct emergency measures to determine whether it has occurred, where, and if an individual has violated this legislation. Stipulates that this includes any geoengineering that has the approval of the federal government. If a violation of this legislation is discovered, ADEQ is directed to issue a formal notice to the person or organization engaging in geoengineering activities informing them that their activities are illegal and directing them to cease any related activity. Lists specific geoengineering activities that ADEQ must investigate and requires ADEQ to publicly post any notice issued in regards to Geoengineering activities. Classified a violation of this legislation to be a Class 4 Felony and outlines civil penalties per violation.~~

~~**Last Action:** 02/04/2025 H — Referred to Committee — Natural Resources, Energy & Water — House Natural Resources, Energy & Water~~

~~**COP Position:** Monitor~~

HB2059 – Natural resources; federal law; requirements**Sponsor:** Rep. Lisa Fink (R)

Summary: Prohibits Arizona, a subdivision of Arizona, or an employee of the government of Arizona or its political subdivisions, from using state monies to or enforcing any federal law, Act, order, rule or regulation that relates to coal, oil, gas, timber or other extractive resources or downstream industries related to the same, if the federal law, Act, order, rule or regulation does not exist pursuant to Arizona law. Creates an exception for the state and affected employees complying with a court order and requires any questions about any federal actions pertaining to the topics above to be addressed in an official Arizona court. Requires the courts to address any related matters with no deference to prior court determinations. Violation of this legislation is subject to a civil penalty of \$3,000 the first time and on a subsequent violation becomes a Class 1 Misdemeanor with eligibility restrictions. Prohibits Arizona political subdivisions from receiving grant monies from the state if it is in noncompliance with this legislation. Contains legislative findings, is severable and is entitled the “Natural Resources Anticommandeering Act.”

Last Action: 03/25/2025 S – HELD – Senate Natural Resources**COP Position:** Oppose**HB2062 – Sex-based terms; laws; rules; regulations****Sponsor:** Rep. Lisa Fink (R)

Summary: Define certain sex-based terms that are to be used in statutes, administrative rules, regulations, and public policies adopted by Arizona or a political subdivision of Arizona. Provide severability and entitles this legislation the “Arizona Sex-Based Terms Act.”

Last Action: 04/15/2025 G – Vetoed**COP Position:** Neutral**HB2068 - Landlord tenant; assistance animals****Sponsor:** Rep. Nick Kupper (R)

Summary: Permits a landlord to request documentation of a tenant’s need for a “disability” (defined) “reasonable accommodation” (defined) related to an “assistance animal” (defined) if the disability is not readily apparent or known by the landlord and to request the information be entered on a standardized form if the form complies with state law. Stipulates that failure to use a standardized form is not grounds for denial of the accommodation. Permits a landlord to require documentation for each assistance animal if there is more than one. Outlines the reasons a landlord can deny a request for an accommodation. Requires the person requesting the accommodation or their representative to provide reliable documentation in writing of the need and the underlying disability in compliance with the Fair Housing Act of the US Code. Provides liability protection for the landlord that addresses the accommodation request for any injuries caused by the assistance animal while on the landlord’s property or on property controlled by the landlord.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - PASSED - House Final Reading**COP Position:** Neutral

HB2074 - School safety; proposals; assessments; plans

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Requires a school district or charter school that employs one or more officers in one or more school campuses, including indirect employment via school safety programs, to train each participating “officer” (defined) in how to recognize and address children with disabilities as defined by state law. Permits the School Safety Program to support the costs of purchasing safety technology, training and/or infrastructure improvements for all applicable school campuses. Outlines the details and information required in any submission of a school safety program proposal by a school district or charter school. Permits a school district or charter school to submit an alternative program proposal for supporting costs associated with purchasing safety technology, training and infrastructure improvements if that school district or charter school safety program has been approved by the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) but cannot place acceptable safety personnel on its campus and outlines the information that must be included in the alternative program application. Directs the ADE to review safety program proposals and outlines the criteria the ADE must use to evaluate the proposals for approval or denial. Stipulates that school building blueprints and floor plans are not public records pursuant to state law. Outlines the programs, plans and formal strategies each school district or charter school must develop to comply with ADE School Safety Program requirements. Directs the ADE to develop plans and hiring strategies to be able to support all Arizona school safety programs.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2081 - Income tax; subtraction; tipped wages

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Allows compensation received as tips during the taxable year that are reported to the employer in compliance with Arizona and federal law to be deducted from Arizona income tax to the extent they are not already deducted or part of a deduction, starting on January 1, 2025.

Last Action: 03/11/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Oppose

HB2082 - TPT; exemption; wastewater; pipes

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Adds the gross proceeds of the sale of wastewater to the list of required deductions from the tax base and exemptions. It stipulates that the tax period begins on the first day of the month following the general effective date.

Last Action: 03/10/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

COP Position: Oppose

HB2084 - Domestic water improvement districts; hauling

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Adds water delivery systems through water hauling and waterworks, as defined, as authorized improvement projects for both the establishment and undertaking of a County Improvement District.

Last Action: 02/24/2025 S – Referred to Committee – Government
COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2086 – Water improvements program; water hauling~~

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Adds water hauling for water delivery to the list of activities a county Board of Supervisors can establish a program for gifts, grants or donations to cover. Adds acquiring or installing one or more storage tanks for receiving and storing water delivered through water hauling to the required restrictions to the program mentioned above.

Last Action: 04/15/2025 G – Vetoed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2087 - Appropriation; groundwater recharge facilities; maintenance

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Appropriates a sum to be named later from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to a state department to be named later to clean and restore groundwater recharge facilities that meet certain criteria. Exempts this appropriation from lapsing appropriation provisions.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2090 – Acting in concert; evidence; exceptions~~

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Provides a lookback period of 10 years for the prohibition of parties acting in concert to divide a land parcel into six or more parcels. Requires an acknowledgment in writing from parties looking to divide a land parcel into six or more lots, plots or parcels, attesting they are aware that the county in question or the Arizona Department of Real Estate (ADRI,) or both, may investigate land divisions that happened within 10 years if they suspect parties acting unlawfully in concert. Exempts certain types of parties from the parties acting in concert unlawfully provisions. Prohibits a real estate sales contract, conveyance, lease, assignment, or other instrument to transfer any interest in subdivided land, and any covenant or restriction affecting real property, from containing any provision limiting the right of any party to appear or testify in support of or opposition to zoning provisions, building permits, or any other official acts affecting real property. Stipulates that this legislation does not prohibit private restrictions on the use of any real property.

Last Action: 04/15/2025 G – Vetoed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2091 – NOW: assured water supply; certificate; model

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: An emergency measure that requires the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to review the merits of a certificate of assured water supply (certificate) and within 15 days, issue a new written determination of action if prescribed conditions apply and using outlined models as criteria.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 S - Senate Minority Caucus - Y
COP Position: Oppose

HB2092 - Land divisions; disclosure affidavit; recording

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Requires a seller of land provide a buyer with a written Affidavit of Disclosure, when required by law, and details how the Affidavit of Disclosure is to be recorded. Adds verbiage to the formal affidavit pertaining to wells, water and wastewater treatment facilities registration, repair, and maintenance, as is applicable. Adds other verbiage to the form pertaining to the seller, trustees, and trusts. Clarifies that a seller or subsequent seller does not include a personal representative acting on behalf of an estate that is selling a property. AS PASSED HOUSE

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

HB2093 – Subdivided lands; violations; civil penalties

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: The civil penalty for a subdivider or real estate agent who violates regulations on subdivided land is up to \$2,000 for each lot where a violation occurs, instead of up to \$2,000 for “each infraction” where a single infraction could concern more than one lot in a subdivision.

Last Action: 02/25/2025 S – Referred to Committee – Government

COP Position: Support

HB2094 – Real estate; definition of contiguous

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Modifies the definition of “contiguous” to include lots, parcels or fractional interests that are separated by a private road or street and does not include the same separated by a public road, street or highway that has been dedicated to and accepted by Arizona or by any political subdivision of the state. Repeals the five-year continuous public use requirement.

Last Action: 04/15/2025 G – Vetoed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2103 - Appropriation; Colorado River Compact; defense

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$1,000,000 from the general fund in FY 2025-26 to the department of water resources to defend, protect and enforce this state's allocation of Colorado River water under the Colorado River Compact of 1922.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Support

Ch. 41, Laws 2025 (HB2110 - Development; adaptive reuse; rezoning; prohibition)

Sponsor: Rep. Leo Biasiucci (R)

Summary: Requires a governing body of a municipality to allow for multifamily residential development or “adaptive reuse” (defined) of at least 10 percent of the

existing commercial, office, or mixed-use parcels, and requires the governing body to analyze all three every 10 years. Outlines permissions, prohibitions, exclusions, and restrictions for pursuing the 10 percent goal, and in determining what parcels or property shall comprise that 10 percent. Applies this legislation retroactively to December 31, 2024. Contains an emergency clause.

Last Action: 04/07/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2113 – Flags; public property; prohibition~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Nick Kupper (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits all but approved flags from being displayed on public property in Arizona and lists the flags that are permitted on public property. Stipulates that this legislation applies only to those who are elected, appointed, or employed publicly.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/19/2025 S – HELD – Senate Government

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

Ch. 49, Laws 2025 (HB2114 - Sexual conduct; minor; classification; sentence)

Sponsor: Rep. Quang H. Nguyen (R)

Summary: Establishes that an individual is guilty of a class 4 felony if he is over 21 years old and engages in sexual conduct with a minor who is between 15-17 years old.

Last Action: 04/08/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 23, Laws 2025 (HB2115 - Observing nude minor; sexual gratification)

Sponsor: Rep. Quang H. Nguyen (R)

Summary: Adds to the definition of the crime of sexual exploitation to include observing a nude minor for the purpose of engaging in sexual gratification for the person's sexual gratification. Designates a violation of this paragraph as defensible if the victim is 15, 16 or 17 years of age and the defendant is under 19 years of age or attending high school and is no more than 24 months older than the victim, and the conduct is consensual.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2118 – TPT; sourcing; business location; receipt~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Neal Carter (R)

~~Summary:~~ An order in transactions involving tangible personal property and shared vehicles is considered "received" at a business location (defined) of the seller when all necessary order information is received, regardless of where the order is approved or the purchaser's location; excludes the location of servers transmitting order information from determining where the order is received. The changes apply to taxable periods starting the month after the act's effective date.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/25/2025 H – Removed from Hearing Agenda – 03/03/2025, 1:30 PM – Senate FIN, SHR 1

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

HB2119 - Model city tax code; notice

Sponsor: Rep. Neal Carter (R)

Summary: Requires a municipality that proposes an ordinance to adopt or repeal a model or local option in the model city tax code to notify all businesses in the affected business classification via mail at least 60 days before the date the ordinance is approved or rejected by the governing body of the municipality. Excludes ordinances that impose a use tax or a model or local option to exempt a city or town from a use tax, or a two-tiered tax rate structure for retail sales.

Last Action: 05/01/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

HB2121 - SNAP; mandatory employment and training

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Economic Security to require able-bodied adults under 60 years of age who are receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance to participate in a mandatory employment and training program per federal law with listed exceptions.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Vetoed

COP Position: Monitor

HB2122 - SNAP; work requirement waivers; exemptions

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Prohibits the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES) to seek, apply for, accept or renew any waiver of work requirements for able-bodied adults under federal law without dependents unless it is required by federal law, or authorized by state law. Prohibits the ADES from exercising the state's option to provide exemptions from work requirements under federal law unless authorized by state law.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Vetoed

COP Position: Monitor

HB2124 - Hospitals; interfacility transport

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Provides an exclusion for Certification of Necessity requirements for "ambulance services" (defined) owned or operated by a "direct owner" (defined) or "indirect owner" (defined) of a "hospital" (defined) for "interfacility transport" (defined). Stipulates that all rules adopted by the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) pursuant to this legislation and relating to interfacility transportation applies to direct and indirect owners of a hospital that operates an ambulance service for inter facility transport.

Last Action: 03/04/2025 H - DPA - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 42, Laws 2025 (HB2127 - Hazardous substance release; notice; liability)

Sponsor: Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary: Requires the owner of a "qualifying property" (defined) to provide written notice to any prospective buyer if the potential liability covered by this legislation that is

associated with the qualifying property could be transferred to the buyer and stipulates that this notice must occur before the qualifying property is conveyed. Additionally, requires the owner of a qualifying property to provide written notice to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) when the qualifying property, or any portion of the qualifying property, is listed or offered for sale, comes under contract, or the sale of the qualifying property is complete. List the information that must be included in all notifications.

Last Action: 04/07/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 50, Laws 2025 (HB2128 - Environmental remediation; liability; release)

Sponsor: Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary: Defines “prospective remediator” (defined) and “prospective remediator agreement” (defined) and applies those two terms as is appropriate as an alternative to a purchaser of a site that has environmental remediation needs, or a purchasing agreement of a site with environmental remediation needs.

Last Action: 04/08/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

HB2129 – NOW: elections procedures

Sponsor: Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary: Requires a candidate that wishes to drop out of a race to submit a signed notarized statement of withdrawal to the filing officer for the candidate’s office. Requires the County Recorder or other Officer in Charge of Elections to mail to all voters who are not listed as inactive and are included on the active early voting list an election notice by non-forwardable mail. Prohibits a voter on inactive status from receiving an early ballot unless the voter updates or otherwise confirms the voter’s registration information. Defines how alternative locations throughout a county are to be used for voter identification purposes, including hours the locations must be opened or are not required to be open. Defines how to handle election counts where there are not a sufficient number of contested federal, statewide or legislative races or ballot measures, and how to select the races to be counted. Provides for alternative political party representatives to be chosen to oversee hand counts of election ballots. Defines the procedure for running an election for Justice of the Peace. AS PASSED SENATE

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - PASSED - House Final Reading

COP Position: Pending

~~HB2147 – Public officers; employees; disqualification; convictions~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Walter "Walt" Blackman (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits individuals guilty of certain crimes from being appointed or elected to public office, or being employed publicly, and lists those offenses. Provides criteria that a person who has been convicted of the listed crimes may meet in order to run for or be nominated to public office or hold public employment. Provides tangible steps a person who applies for or is offered public employment, or who files to be a candidate for public office or applies for an appointment to fill a vacancy in public office, must do in order to confirm their eligibility for those positions, and lists the criteria for those

~~requirements. Stipulates that the individual attempting to attain a public position must pay for each of the required steps to establish their eligibility to serve the public. Defines exclusions for individuals who are determined to be ineligible for public office or employment and outlines a process of appeal. Stipulates that this legislation does not apply to persons who hold public office or public employment before January 1, 2026, unless a person commits a disqualifying offense listed in this legislation on or after that date.~~

~~Last Action: 02/12/2025 H - HELD - House Government
COP Position: Pending~~

~~HB2153 - Voting locations; political party observers~~

~~Sponsor: Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)~~

~~Summary: Permits the county chairman of each political party to designate for each precinct or voting location a party representative and alternate for polling places including on-site early voting locations, emergency early voting locations, or any other early voting location. Prohibits party challengers from entering a voting booth except to mark the challenger's ballot.~~

~~Last Action: 04/15/2025 G - Vetoed
Position: Neutral~~

HB2154 - Early voting list; undeliverable ballots

Sponsor: Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)

Summary: Requires the county recorder or other election officer in charge to move a voter whose election notice is returned as undeliverable to inactive status, pursuant to state law, and from the active early voting list. Removes the requirement for follow up to determine the voter's new residence address.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Vetoed
COP Position: Neutral

HB2155 - Income tax; subtraction; adoption expenses

Sponsor: Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)

Summary: Modifies the amount of income that may be deducted from gross income that is related to adoption costs and the time period those deductions may be taken.

Last Action: 03/03/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance
COP Position: Monitor

~~HB2165 - SNAP; prohibited purchases; waiver~~

~~Sponsor: Rep. Leo Biasiucci (R)~~

~~Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES) to request a waiver from the United States Department of Agriculture to exclude "candy" (defined), "soft drinks" (defined) and any other comparable food from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance program. If granted, the ADES shall implement the food ban on program enrollees, and if not granted the ADES shall request a waiver annually until a waiver is granted.~~

~~Last Action: 04/15/2025 G - Vetoed
COP Position: Monitor~~

HB2171 – Law enforcement; families; tuition scholarships

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$5,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Spouses and Dependents of Law Enforcement Officers Tuition Scholarship Fund (Fund) and appropriates those funds from the Fund to the Arizona Board of Regents. Creates the Fund, cites its funding sources and exempts the fund from lapsing appropriations provisions. Requires the Arizona Board of Regents (ABR) to administer the fund, inform the Arizona State Treasurer when to invest monies in the fund and permits the ABR to take up to 3 percent for the cost of administering the fund. Outlines how Fund monies are to be spent and defines the criteria for eligibility for a tuition scholarship, including permissible forms of identification and eligibility verification. Requires the ABR to develop an application process for qualified applicants to formally apply for scholarship support. Lists restrictions on how scholarship monies may be spent, permits the ABR to adopt rules for the administering of the Fund and defines mandatory reporting the ABR must do annually on the Fund. Automatically repeals on July 1, 2035.

Last Action: 01/28/2025 H DP House Education

COP Position: Support

HB2178 – Petty offenses; lawful detainment; identification

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Adds the date of birth of an individual to the list of information that a person must provide a peace officer who has lawfully detained them, after that individual has been advised that refusal to answer is unlawful. Adds the classification of a petty offence to the list of offenses for which a peace officer may lawfully detain an individual.

Last Action: 02/12/2025 H HELD House Judiciary

COP Position: Neutral

HB2191 – Religious institutions; development; allowed use

Sponsor: Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary: Classifies any municipal or county single family and multifamily residential development on any “eligible site” (defined) as an allowed use development, provided the development meets all listed requirements. Sets height requirements, minimum setback requirements, and greatest maximum lot coverage limits for allowed use of development sites. Prohibits a municipality or county from imposing any additional restrictions on an allowed use development on an eligible site other than the limitations listed in this legislation. Permits a municipality or county to require site improvements and to impose impact fees for an allowed use development on an eligible site provided either are the same as are required by the municipality or county for a comparable development project. Lists development and lease permissions and restrictions, and low-income household requirements prescribed by the Arizona Department of Housing for development of an eligible site on property owned by a “religious institution” (defined), provided there are no other superseding laws. Requires a religious institution that allows an allowed use development on an eligible site to notify the county assessor in the county where the property is located, in writing, pursuant to state law, and to

inform them that the property is no longer used for the purposes that qualify it for exemption from taxation.

Last Action: 03/20/2025 H - FAILED - House Motion to Reconsider Third

COP Position: Pending

HB2197 - Certificate of necessity; repeal

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Repeals statutes pertaining to a Certificate of Necessity, the terms thereof, the nature of the certificate, transfer, suspension, and service area, required insurance, financial responsibility or bond, penalties for noncompliance, termination of service, and any other applicable aspects of Certificate of Necessity, effective October 1, 2028.

Requires the legislative council staff to prepare proposed legislation conforming Arizona Revised Statutes to the provisions of this legislation.

Last Action: 01/28/2025 H - DP - House Regulatory Oversight

COP Position: Oppose

HB2201 - Wildfire mitigation planning; utilities; approval (Technical correction; electricity; power authority)

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Outlines requirements, procedures and reporting requirements for a Public Power Entity and an Electric Utility when submitting a Wildfire Mitigation Plan.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

HB2209 - Arizona department of housing; continuation

Sponsor: Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary: The statutory life of the Arizona Department of Housing is extended six months to January 1, 2027. Retroactive to July 1, 2025.

Last Action: 03/06/2025 S - Referred to Committee - Regulatory Affairs and Government Efficiency - Senate Regulatory Affairs and Government Efficiency

COP Position: Monitor

HB2221 - Law enforcement; defunding; prohibition

Sponsor: Rep. David Marshall, Sr. (R)

Summary: Prohibits a city or town for reducing the annual operating budget for a "law enforcement agency" (defined) by any amount below the prior year's budget. Requires a city or town that reduces the annual operating budget for a law enforcement agency To notify the Arizona State Treasurer, who is then required to withhold any state shared monies from that city or town in an amount equal to the amount of the reduction of the annual operating budget for the law enforcement agency, pursuant to state law, until notice has been received from the city or town that the law enforcement agencies budget has been restored. Lists criteria that would provide a city or town an exemption from having state shared monies withheld if it reduces a law enforcement agency's budget below prior year levels of funding.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Oppose

HB2222 - Settlement agreements; report; approval**Sponsor:** Rep. David Marshall, Sr. (R)

Summary: Requires a city or town, or county, to submit a “settlement agreement” (defined) report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Attorney General within 90 days of the city or town entering into the agreement if the agreement is \$500,000 or more. Requires a city or town to submit a “settlement agreement report” (defined) to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and requires that committee to review the proposed settlement agreement and if needed recommend amendments or changes to the proposed agreement if the agreement is \$1,000,000 or more. Classifies the settlement agreement as not legally binding if a city or town does not submit a proposed settlement agreement to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee pursuant to this legislation. Outlines the process the attorney general must follow, including mandatory reporting, when the attorney general engages in negotiation of any action or claim by or against Arizona or any of its departments, boards, or agencies.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor**COP Position:** Oppose**Ch. 26, Laws 2025 (HB2232 - On-site wastewater treatment; general permit)****Sponsor:** Rep. Laurin Hendrix (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to issue by rule a general permit for a defined class of facilities provided certain listed criteria are met. Adds that a liquid effluent collection system pursuant to state law counts as a wastewater treatment facility, and that until revised rules are in place for onsite water treatment facilities with a minimum design flow of three thousand gallons per day that does not exceed seventy-five thousand gallons per day, the facility may discharge under a general permit if the facility complies with general permit rules that are in effect on the effective date of this legislation, and the facility is operated by a service provider that is certified by the technology manufacturer. Describes criteria that must be included in an addendum issued by ADEQ that is attached to general permit authorization and exempts fees created for this legislation from external requirements pursuant to state law. Requires that within 180 days after the effective date of revised rules, a permittee, pursuant to this legislation, will transition a facility consistent with the revised on site wastewater treatment facility permit program. Prohibits ADEQ from duplicating fees for the transition. Defines the rules a liquid effluent collection system must meet to discharge pursuant to a general permit. Stipulates that the legislature intends that ADEQ base fees on direct and indirect costs associated with the type of activity for which a fee is assessed.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 G - Signed**COP Position:** Monitor**~~HB2263 – Fire protection systems, inspections~~****~~Sponsor:~~** Rep. Consuelo Hernandez (D)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Requires that all inspections of smoke dampers and fire dampers in a building or fire code adopted by a city, town, or county must follow standards set by a~~

~~nationally recognized standards-developing organization; and authorizes the State Forester and State Fire Marshal to provide certified inspectors and resources to assist with these inspections if requested by local authorities. By January 1, 2026, any city, town, or county that has adopted a fire code must adopt a regulation enforcing these inspection requirements. These changes ensure uniformity and consistency in fire protection system inspections statewide and offer local jurisdictions state-level support when needed.~~

~~Last Action: 03/04/2025 H – House Majority Caucus – Y~~

~~COP Position: Neutral~~

~~HB2270 – Groundwater model; stormwater recharge; AMAs~~

~~Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)~~

~~Summary: Requires the Department of Water Resources to update its groundwater modeling rules for Active Management Areas so that any natural, incidental, or artificial stormwater recharge created by new or existing infrastructure is factored into future projections, and it must assume that this additional recharge will offset some portion of future groundwater use, effectively recognizing the impact of developed infrastructure on replenishing aquifers and further requires the Department to update the groundwater model annually to reflect any newly identified stormwater recharge, ensuring that management and planning efforts incorporate current data.~~

~~Last Action: 04/15/2025 G – Vetoed~~

~~COP Position: **Oppose**~~

HB2272 - Municipal separate storm sewer system

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: This bill clarifies that counties must follow Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES) requirements as well as federal Clean Water Act requirements when implementing stormwater programs. Defines “county” to apply only to those operating a “regulated small municipal separate storm sewer system,” ensuring that local regulations align with both federal and state standards without being more stringent than federal law.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2273 – Lottery; on-farm irrigation efficiency fund~~

~~Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)~~

~~Summary: After appropriations and deposits have been made, \$50,000,000 of the funds left in the Arizona State Lottery Fund in FYs 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 will be deposited into the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Fund.~~

~~Last Action: 02/11/2025 H – DP – House Natural Resources, Energy & Water~~

~~COP Position: **Support**~~

~~HB2276 – Legislative ratification; rulemaking; regulatory costs~~

~~Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)~~

~~Summary: Requires an agency proposing a rule that would increase regulatory costs by more than \$100,000 within five years to submit it to the Office of Economic~~

~~Opportunity (OEO) for review. Stipulates that if OEO confirms the costs would exceed \$500,000, the rule cannot take effect unless the Legislature ratifies it through new legislation. Requires OEO to then forward the proposed rule to the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee at least thirty days before the next regular legislative session, and the Committee will share it with legislators. Allows legislator to introduce legislation to approve the proposed rule, which is exempt from certain existing provisions. Allows the agency to not file the final rule until the Legislature ratifies it, and if no ratification occurs that session, requires the agency to terminate the rulemaking. Allows regulated individuals or any legislator to ask OEO to review a proposed rule. Exempts emergency rules, and any high-cost rule lacking legislative ratification after this section's effective date is void and unenforceable. Exempts the Corporation Commission is exempt from requirements.~~

Last Action: 01/23/2025 H—Removed from Hearing Agenda—01/29/2025, 9:00 AM—House GOV, HHR-5

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

HB2300 – NOW: Fuel

Sponsor: Rep. Leo Biasiucci (R)

Summary: Adds gasoline fuel reformulation options for all gasoline sold or offered for sale for use in motor vehicles in a county with a population of 1,200,000 or more people and in Area A. Allows any person to petition the Associate Director of the Plant Services Division of the Arizona Department of Agriculture (Associate Director) to request a waiver from the statutorily prescribed standards for motor fuel or the federal standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Clean Air Act.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - FAILED - House Final Reading

COP Position: Pending

~~HB2317 – Residential building materials; requirements; prohibition~~

Sponsor: Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary: ~~Prohibits any municipality from adopting or enforcing any code, ordinance, standard, stipulation or other legal requirement that prohibits or limits using or installing a building material in the construction, renovation, maintenance, or other alteration of a single-family residential building if the building material is approved for construction, renovation, maintenance, or other alteration by the municipality's building code, and meets the conditions specified in the municipality's building code, or subjects a "prefabricated single-family residential building" (defined) or material or component of a prefabricated single-family residential building that is otherwise compliant with the applicable building code and federal and state law, to an additional or different restriction or requirement than is required of a comparable single-family residential building that is not prefabricated. Prohibits a municipality from regulating design aesthetics of a single-family residential building, except within an area that is designated as a district of historical significance, pursuant to state law, or an area that is designated as historic on the National Register of Historic Places. Stipulates that this legislation does not supersede applicable building codes, fire codes, dark sky ordinances or public health and safety standards.~~

Last Action: 01/29/2025 H—FAILED—House Government

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

HB2319 – Private property; design; regulations; prohibition

Sponsor: Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary: Prohibits a municipality from adopting or enforcing any regulation, standard, stipulation, or other requirement on an individually owned single family lot and lists specific prohibited actions. Creates an exception for a municipality to apply a regulation, standard, stipulation, or other requirement, provided the action is “objective” (defined), and necessary to protect public health and safety, or prevent a “significant externality” through the least restrictive means. Entitles this legislation the “Arizona Property Bill of Rights.”

Last Action: 01/29/2025 H – HELD – House Government

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

HB2340 - Murder; law enforcement officer; punishment

Sponsor: Rep. Teresa Martinez (R)

Summary: Classifies intentional first-degree murder as punishable by death or natural life, pursuant to state law. Stipulates that for the purposes of this legislation “law enforcement officer” has the same meaning as applied throughout Arizona Revised Statutes.

Last Action: 04/29/2025 H - Transmit to House

COP Position: Neutral

HB2371 – Planning; home design; restrictions; prohibition

Sponsor: Rep. Leo Biasiucci (R)

Summary: Prohibits a municipality from interfering with a home buyer's right to choose the features, amenities, structure, floor plan, and interior and exterior design of a home. Prohibits, in accordance with state law, a municipality from requiring a shared feature or amenity that would require a Management Association to maintain or operate the feature or amenity, unless required by federal law, screening, walls, or fences, and private streets or roads. Prohibits a municipality from adopting, or enforcing any code, ordinance, regulation, standard, stipulation, or other legal requirement establishing directly or indirectly maximum or minimum lot sizes or minimum square footage or dimensions for a single family home, provided certain, listed criteria is met, minimum or maximum lot coverage for a single family home and any accessory structures, minimum building setbacks for a single family home provided certain criteria is met, or design, architectural or aesthetic elements for a single family home, except for a single family home on land that is designated as a district of historical significance pursuant to state law or in an area that is designated as historic on the National Register of Historic Places. Provides that this section does not supersede applicable building codes, “fire codes” (defined), or public health and safety regulations, and does not apply to lots or parcels that are located on tribal land, on land in a high noise or aircraft potential zone or ancillary military facility, as defined by state law. Entitled this legislation the “Arizona Starter’s Homes Act.”

Last Action: 02/12/2025 H – RET ON CAL – House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

HB2381 – Wage claims; employment practices

Sponsor: Rep. Alma Hernandez (D)

Summary: ~~Increases the monetary cap for filing an unpaid wage claim with the Industrial Commission of Arizona.~~

Last Action: 03/04/2025 H – DPA – House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Monitor

HB2385 - Produce incentive program; annual appropriation

Sponsor: Rep. David Marshall, Sr. (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$5,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 and each fiscal year thereafter to the Arizona Department of Economic Security to implement the Produce Incentive Program pursuant to state law. Exempts this appropriation from lapsing appropriation provisions.

Last Action: 03/25/2025 S - DPA - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Monitor

HB2388 - Silent witness; records; nondisclosure; exceptions

Sponsor: Rep. David Marshall, Sr. (R)

Summary: Specifies that communications to a silent witness, crime stopper, or operation game thief program are not public records and cannot be disclosed unless a court motion shows they are critical evidence in either a criminal or certain civil proceedings. Allows a defendant in a criminal case to request access by asserting the records contain material information related to guilt or punishment. Allows plaintiff in a civil case to request the records if the plaintiff's criminal charges were dismissed or overturned, and to show a wrongful injury arose from those charges based on the communication. Allows the court to conduct an in-camera examination to determine whether any part of the communication is essential, If the court agrees to review. Designates any disclosed information as privileged and confidential and requires undisclosed materials to be returned and retained by the police department, sheriff's department, county attorney's office or Game and fish department. until at least one year after all appeal rights end.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Support

HB2389 - Business personal property; exemption

Sponsor: Rep. Neal Carter (R)

Summary: Stipulates that if an adjacent school district is a common school district that is not within the boundaries of a union High School district the unorganized territory shall join the common school district. Removes the requirement that the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADR) submit proposed guidelines, tables, and manuals that are developed, amended, or otherwise modified, to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Property Tax Assessment and Appeals for review before publishing them. Repeals several measures that apply to taxation, property assessments, tax classification, exemptions, percentages, and tax rates. Makes this legislation applicable to tax years from and after December 31, 2025.

Last Action: 03/18/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Oppose

~~HB2406 – Property tax; exemption; combat veterans~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

~~Summary:~~ Exempts a combat veteran with a service connected disability that is combat related and rated as 100 percent disabled by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs from taxation. Exempts a widow or widower, a person with total and permanent disability and a veteran with a service or nonservice connected disability who does not qualify for a full exemption from property taxation \$4,188 on an assessment that does not exceed \$28,459. Defines the partial exemption for a veteran with a service or nonservice connected disability who does not qualify for full exemption. Outlines disqualifying events for a person claiming exemption as a widow or widower, a person with total and permanent disability and a veteran with a service or nonservice connected disability who does not qualify for a full exemption. Effective date is January 1, 2026.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/26/2025 H – DP – House Committee of the Whole

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

~~HB2409 – Excessive speeding~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

~~Summary:~~ Classifies an individual who exceeds 35 mph approaching a school crossing as having committed a Class 3 Misdemeanor. Permits an individual who exceeds the posted speed limit in a “business or residential district” (defined) by more than 20 mph, or if no speed limit is posted, exceeds 45 mph, or exceeds the posted speed limit by more than 20 mph in other locations, may be issued a civil complaint for violating Arizona law pertaining to reasonable and prudent speed.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/13/2025 H – Removed from Hearing Agenda – 02/19/2025, 3:00 PM – House TI, HHR 3

~~COP Position:~~ Oppose

~~HB2411 – Alcohol consumption; golf courses~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

~~Summary:~~ Permits a golf course that is at least 1000 yards in size and that is an on-sale retailer to allow golf patrons to bring spiritous liquor onto the licensed premises that is purchased at a location outside of the golf course for consumption at the golf course. Stipulates that the legislature is enacting this law so as not to pose an impediment to the enjoyment of a round of golf by allowing BYOB. Entitles this legislation the “Inflation Reduction Act of 2025.”

~~Last Action:~~ 03/18/2025 S – Referred to Committee – Regulatory Affairs and Government Efficiency – Senate Regulatory Affairs and Government Efficiency

~~COP Position:~~ Oppose

~~HB2425 – Voter registration information; registers; violations~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: ~~Repeals the classification as a Class 6 Felony any person who allows a precinct list of registered voters, or any other list of registered voters to be used in any other manner than for officially approved purposes.~~

Last Action: ~~02/20/2025 S - Transmit to Senate~~

COP Position: ~~Neutral~~

~~HB2426 - Municipal council vacancies; appointment; deadline~~

Sponsor: ~~Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)~~

Summary: ~~Repeals the classification as a Class 6 Felony any person who allows a precinct list of registered voters, or any other list of registered voters to be used in any other manner than for officially approved purposes.~~

Last Action: ~~02/20/2025 S - Transmit to Senate~~

COP Position: ~~Neutral~~

HB2435 - Homelessness; data; performance audit

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission to direct first responders, medical examiners, and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to provide data on drug overdoses among individuals experiencing homelessness, including the number of drug overdoses and deaths caused by drug overdoses, criminal justice agencies to track and provide information on crimes committed by or against individuals who are identified as homeless, and compile and submit an annual report on those two data sets. Lists the individuals who are to receive the annual report. Requires the Auditor General to conduct an audit, pursuant to state law, that collects and analyzes data on the amount of money spent on programs and services for individuals experiencing homelessness. Requires that the audit cover expenditures related to homelessness in total, by the Arizona government, municipalities and counties with homeless populations higher than the per capita average of Arizona, federal monies allocated to Arizona for homeless programs, and local and state law enforcement agencies to address homelessness, including transportation to emergency shelters, responding to crisis calls, providing overnight shelter in jail, and enforcing camping bans. Directs all state and local government entities to cooperate with the special audit, and to grant access, at no cost, to all financial records and any other information necessary to complete the audit. Defines the scope of the audit. Directs the Auditor General to compile and analyze this data and to submit a special audit report to listed state officials. Self-repeals on July 1, 2027.

Last Action: 03/19/2025 S - DPA - Senate Government

COP Position: **Oppose**

HB2437 - Drug-free homeless zones

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Prohibits an individual from being present in a “drug free homeless service zone” (defined) to sell or transfer dangerous drugs or narcotic drugs, and stipulates that a person who violates that prohibition is guilty of the same class of felony as they would otherwise be had the violation not occurred in a drug free homeless service zone, accept that the presumptive, minimum and maximum sentences shall be increased by

one year. Stipulates that the increase of one year is in addition to any enhanced punishment that may be applicable pursuant to state law. Defines a list of incarcerated individuals statuses that an individual convicted of this felony does not enjoy. Requires an operator of a facility-based service that serves “homeless individuals” (defined) to adopt A formal policy that prohibits the use or possession of dangerous drugs or narcotic drugs within the drug free homeless service zone and prohibits any employee of a facility based service that primarily serves homeless individuals, and that receives state, local, or federal monies, from knowingly violating this policy. Stipulates that a person who violates this policy is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Lists mandatory fines for violations of this legislation. Requires each operator or provider of facility-based services that primarily serve homeless individuals to place and maintain a permanently affixed sign located in a visible manner inside the facility and outside the main entrance of the facility that identifies the building and its accompanying grounds as a drug free homeless service.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Oppose

Ch. 31, Laws 2025 (HB2447 - Self-certification program; administrative review)

Sponsor: Rep. Michael Carbone (R)

Summary: This bill revises city and town ordinances governing administrative approval of development projects. Modifies the law so that a city or town must adopt an ordinance allowing administrative staff to review and approve site plans, land divisions, and design reviews without a public hearing, provided those reviews use objective standards. Requires cities and towns to allow certain “at-risk” submittals and to offer expedited permit review for applicants with a good compliance record. Previously, the law mandated a self-certification program for qualifying projects; under this bill, such a program is optional rather than required. Authorizes, but does not require, local governments to let registered architects and professional engineers certify their own compliance with building standards. Clarifies that any applications submitted under these provisions qualify as “licenses,” (defined).

Last Action: 3/31/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2448 - Voting locations; emergency designation; electioneering

Sponsor: Rep. Michael Carbone (R)

Summary: Removes the following requirements that delineate that the county recorder or election officer must post a public list of any sites designated as emergency polling places—along with the reasons for that designation and attempts made to secure alternatives—at least two weeks before election day, and that if a site is not on the emergency-designation list, the facility must allow political activity outside the seventy-five-foot zone, and that should an emergency arise after the initial posting, the county recorder or election officer is required to update the list promptly with the relevant details.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 H - PASSED - House Miscellaneous Motion

COP Position: Neutral

HB2450 – Unemployment insurance; benefit amounts**Sponsor:** Rep. Michael Carbone (R)

Summary: Reduces the maximum amount of unemployment insurance benefits during a benefit year to between 12 and 26 times the individual's weekly benefit amount, based on the unemployment rate in the prior calendar quarter, as follows: 12 times for an unemployment rate of 5 percent or less; 14 times for an unemployment rate of 5 to 5.5 percent; 16 times for an unemployment rate of 5.5 to 6 percent; 18 times for an unemployment rate of 6 to 6.5 percent; 20 times for an unemployment rate of 6.5 to 7 percent; 22 times for an unemployment rate of 7 to 7.5 percent; 24 times for an unemployment rate of 7.5 to 8 percent; and 26 times for an unemployment rate of over 8 percent.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G – Vetoed**COP Position:** Neutral**HB2455 - Appropriations; law enforcement; records management****Sponsor:** Rep. David Marshall, Sr. (R)

Summary: Appropriates multiple listed sums from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Administration for distribution to listed law enforcement offices and departments to expand program participation for workforce development, pursuant to state law.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations**COP Position:** Neutral**HB2456 - Appropriation; fire incident management grants****Sponsor:** Rep. David Marshall, Sr. (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$6,500,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Administration (ADA) for a Fire Incident Management Program. Restricts use of the funds for administrative purposes by ADA to \$250,000, including for conducting audits of grant recipients, and requires the remaining monies to be used to provide grants to municipal fire departments and fire districts for hardware and software that enables the statewide deployment of a secure incident management platform for fire and law enforcement agencies, and provides a standardized incident command and management platform, based on Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) agency standards to enable diverse incident management and support and list the priorities that should be considered program goals. Monies from the appropriation are also to be used to provide a comprehensive collaboration and communications solution for all involved parties and lists the criteria that must go into that communication system. Permits each fire department or fire district in Arizona to submit a grant request to the ADA for the costs of the Secure Incident Management System, provided the system in question meets all of the listed criteria. Requires the ADA to award grants on a first come, first serve basis and to ensure that those grants fully fund the costs of the Secure Incident Management System for each municipal fire and fire district for three years.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations**COP Position:** Neutral

HB2515 – Truth in taxation; bonds; notices**Sponsor:** Rep. Justin Olson (R)

Summary: Requires if an election is held to change the purpose or list of capital projects authorized by prior voter approval to issue bonds pursuant to this legislation, or to extend the time to issue bonds pursuant to this legislation, the County School Superintendent to prepare an informational pamphlet that mentions The tax rate associated with each of the proposed capital improvements and the estimated cost of each capital improvement for the owner of a single family home that is valued at \$400,000. Provides verbiage that must accompany any public notices.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G – Vetoed**COP Position:** Neutral**HB2520 – Defense of duress; unavailable offenses****Sponsor:** Rep. Michael Way (R)

Summary: Lists the exceptions to a defense of duress to justify conduct that would otherwise constitute a criminal offense.

Last Action: 02/13/2025 H – Removed from Hearing Agenda – 02/19/2025, 8:30 AM – House JUD, HHR 4

COP Position: Neutral**HB2559 – Justification; criminal offenses****Sponsor:** Rep. Lupe Contreras (D)

Summary: Justification is a defense in any prosecution for a criminal offense, instead of for any offense in Title 13 (Criminal Code).

Last Action: 03/13/2025 H – Removed from Hearing Agenda – 03/19/2025, 1:30 PM – Senate JUDE, SHR 2

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~**HB2574 – Small land subdivision; requirements****Sponsor:** Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Permits a county Board of Supervisors to adopt ordinances and regulations that allows small land subdivisions of six to 10 lots or parcels, provided they are two acres or more in size. Directs counties to require an applicant for a small land subdivision to submit a small land subdivision public report pursuant to state law. Requires an applicant for a small land subdivision to ensure that the subdivision will provide for legal access to each lot or parcel that is part of the subdivision as a whole. Requires the Arizona Board of Real Estate (ABRE) To issue a small land subdivision public report after examining the landing question, allowing the sale or lease in Arizona of the lots or parcels that are subject to the subdivision, and lists the data that the subdivision report must contain.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G – Vetoed**COP Position:** Neutral**Ch. 84, Laws 2025 (HB2577 - Native plants; fire prevention; exemption)****Sponsor:** Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Provides an exclusion for the state forester if they determine that the removal or destruction of a protected native plant over an area of state land exceeding 1/4 of an acre is necessary for the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management (ADFFM,) from notifying the Arizona Department of Agriculture (ADA.) Stipulates that the purpose of the exemption is to facilitate the prevention, management, or suppression of wildfires.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G – Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2579 – Sex offender registry; lifetime registration~~

Sponsor: Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary: ~~Removes the date threshold that applied to the sexual assault of a spouse, and child sex trafficking pursuant to state law. Removes the age threshold for a second or subsequent violation of indecent exposure, violation of public sexual indecency to a minor, or sexual extortion, pursuant to state law. Strikes the 25-year-old age threshold that removed any duty to register once a person reached that age. Remove this stipulation that a duty to register, pursuant to this legislation, for a juvenile adjudication terminates when the person reaches 25 years of age. Stipulates that for certain listed crimes, a person is required to register for life. Requires at the time of registering that the sheriff secure us fish and sample of blood or other bodily substances, with no limitations pertaining to date or location.~~

Last Action: 02/05/2025 H – HELD – House Judiciary

COP Position: Neutral

HB2584 - Nonemergency medical transportation; study

Sponsor: Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary: Permits the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) to receive funding from non-emergency medical transportation providers and other interested enterprises to cover costs for a non-emergency medical transportation rate study. Requires the AHCCCS, upon receipt have sufficient funds to conduct a non-emergency medical transportation rate reimbursement study, to contract with an independent consulting firm free study of the adequacy and appropriateness of Title XIX Rates to transportation network companies and non-emergency medical transportation brokers for providing medically necessary, non-emergency transportation. Defines what the study shall review, and the data the private consultant is required to analyze. Stipulates that in the process of conducting this study, the AHCCCS may require contracted providers and managed care organizations to provide financial data to assist in the study and requires both to do so. Places a deadline on the study of one full year after the AHCCCS receives funding for the study and upon completion of the study requires AHCCCS to provide the results to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee. Requires the AHCCCS to include the results of the study in the next capitation rate request, and if the results are not included in that request, to provide a report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee within 30 days after setting the final capitation rate, including in the report the reason or reasons for any difference between actual rates and those included in the study.

Last Action: 04/24/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 04/29/2025 - Third Reading, Senate Floor

COP Position: Neutral

HB2601 - Income tax; exemption; minors

Sponsor: Rep. Nick Kupper (R)

Summary: Stipulates that no amount shall be deducted or retained from the 1st \$50,000 of wages paid to an employee who was under 18 years of age. Exempts an individual under the age of 18 whose gross income is \$50,000 or less from paying an income tax, pursuant to state law, regardless of the source or nature of the income. Requires the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADR) to develop a process for verifying eligibility for the exemption pursuant to this legislation. The effective date of taxable years beginning January 1, 2025.

Last Action: 03/18/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Oppose

HB2606 - Appropriation; local border support

Sponsor: Rep. Quang H. Nguyen (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$50,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS) for local border support. Requires the ADPS use the money to fund local law enforcement officer positions for border drug interdiction to deter and apprehend any individuals who are charged with drug trafficking, human smuggling, illegal immigration, and other border related crimes. Requires the ADPS to also use the appropriated monies for grants to cities, towns and counties for costs associated with prosecuting and detaining individuals who are charged with drug trafficking, human smuggling, illegal immigration, and other border related crimes. Permits the ADPS to fund all capital-related equipment.

Last Action: 03/25/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 85, Laws 2025 (HB2607 - Fentanyl; motor vehicle; sentencing)

Sponsor: Rep. Quang H. Nguyen (R)

Summary: Establishes the sentencing guidelines for an individual that is convicted of possession or using a narcotic drug and the violation involves the possession of fentanyl in a motor vehicle in an amount of at least 200 grams, and for an individual who has a previous conviction of the same. Stipulates that the presumptive term may be mitigated or aggravated, as is appropriate, and pursuant to state law.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

HB2611 - Aggravated assault; accomplices; classification

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Exempts an individual with a developmental disability or cognitive disability from aggravated assault charges if they do not have the ability to form a culpable mental state and have assaulted a health care worker while engaged in the health care worker's work duties, health care practitioner who is certified or licensed pursuant to

state law, or a person summoned and directed by the licensed health care practitioner while engaged in the person's professional duties. Adds to the list of individuals an individual assaults, who would qualify that person as having committed aggravated assault, an employee of a law enforcement agency, other than a peace officer, a public transit employee, an airport employee, and a railway worker, while engaged in the execution of their official duties. And specific circumstances that would qualify as aggravated assault and stipulates that if a person is convicted of committing aggravated assault on a peace officer, pursuant to state law, the person shall be sentenced to two years more than would otherwise be imposed for the offense, and is in addition to any enhanced punishment that may be applicable under state law. Classifies aggravated assault as a Class 2 Felony when conducted against an employee of a law enforcement agency and lists specific circumstances that can influence the level of felony. Repeals various Arizona revised statutes pertaining to aggravated assault in sentencing and entitles this legislation as "Preston's Law."

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2623 – Campaign finance; candidate committee transfers~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Permits a candidate committee for a city or town candidate to transfer contributions to that same candidate's statewide or legislative campaign, provided the aggregate amount of contributions from any individual that are transferred do not exceed the legal contribution limitations of the office for which the candidate is running. Requires that any ordinance, rule, resolution or regulation a county, city or town adopts that mandates a candidate's financial disclosure also require the candidate or campaign disclosure also be accessible to the public on the county, city or town website.~~

~~Last Action:~~ 03/03/2025 S – Hearing Scheduled – 03/03/2025 – Second Reading, Senate Floor

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

~~HB2632 – Regulatory costs; rulemaking; legislative ratification~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Requires an Arizona agency to submit to the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity (AOEO) any proposed "rule" (defined) that is projected to increase regulatory costs in Arizona by more than \$100,000 within five years of implementation. Prohibits a submitted proposed rule from becoming effective unless approved by the legislature, if the AOEO, finds that the rule will likely cost more than \$500,000 within five years after implementation. Requires the AOEO to submit the proposed rule to the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee (Committee) no later than 30 days before the next regular legislative session and requires the Committee to submit the proposed rule to the legislature as soon as practicable. Permits any member of the legislature to submit legislation to ratify the proposed rule and exempts it from any statutes regarding the time and manner of rulemaking. Prohibits an agency from filing the final rule with the Arizona Secretary of State without legislative approval and stipulates that if the legislature does not ratify the proposed rule during the current legislative session, the agency shall terminate the proposed rule by publishing a notice of termination in the~~

~~register. Allows a person that is regulated by an agency that is proposing a rule, to request the AOEO review the proposed rule, and the legislature to be able to request the AOEO to review any proposed rule. Stipulates that this legislation does not apply to emergency rules, or the Arizona Corporation Commission. Provides for severability.~~

~~Last Action: 02/20/2025 S - Transmit to Senate~~

~~COP Position: Oppose~~

HB2633 – Special actions; public participation; postconviction

Sponsor: Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: ~~Inserts the right to religious liberty among other constitutional rights and any action that otherwise limits a person's freedom to hold or express political or religious views or engage in politically related advocacy without fear of retaliation as protected rights under state law. Permits an individual involved in a legal case pertaining to an alleged infringement on those stated liberties, other than a state actor or intervener, to file a motion to obtain summary judgment to dismiss or quash, the case, pursuant to state law. Requires that a person filing a petition for post-conviction relief, pursuant to state law, has the burden of a staff establishing prima facie proof of a substantial motivation for an associated legal action, was to deter, retaliate against, or prevent, a person from holding or expressing political or religious views, engaging in free political association politically related advocacy. Adds that a petition may be submitted for post-conviction relief. List criteria on which a court is not required to grant the motion or petition and lists criteria for justifying a denial of summary judgment or a petition. Permits a motion for summary judgment to be submitted within 60 days after actual notice of a party's misconduct. Stipulates if a court grants the motion it is required to award costs and reasonable attorney fees to the moving party, if the non-moving party is a state actor. List criteria for bringing a case, filing motions, entitled relief, remedies, and liabilities. Provides for severability. (More.)~~

~~Last Action: 02/19/2025 S - Transmit to Senate~~

~~COP Position: Oppose~~

HB2635 - TPT; exemption; firearm storage devices

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Exempts the sale of a “safe firearm storage device” from the Transaction Privilege and Use Tax.

Last Action: 03/10/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

COP Position: Monitor

HB2638 - On-farm irrigation efficiency program; continuation

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Extends the life of the on-farm irrigation pilot program by three years to December 31, 2029.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 H - House Majority Caucus - N - Refused

COP Position: Support

HB2639 - TPT; exemption; qualifying equipment; extension

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Extends until December 31, 2028, the deduction and applicable exemption for purchasing qualifying equipment that is purchased by a qualified business pursuant to state law for harvesting or processing qualifying forest products removed from qualifying projects as defined in state law.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

~~HB2651 – Voting equipment; requirements; origin~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Steve B. Montenegro (R)

~~Summary:~~ Beginning January 1, 2029, the Secretary of State is prohibited from certifying a vote recording and vote tabulating machine or device used for elections for federal, state or county offices unless 100 percent of all the machine's or device's parts and components were sourced from the United States, and 100 percent of all the machine's or device's manufacturing and assembly was performed in the United States. Vote recording and vote tabulating machines and devices that were acquired before January 1, 2029, would have been exempt.

~~Last Action:~~ 05/06/2025 G – Vetoed

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

Ch. 87, Laws 2025 (HB2653 - Victims; disclosure requirements; witnesses; names)

Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

Summary: Permits the redaction of a victim's name, upon request by the victim, from any public release of records that pertain to the criminal case involving the victim, if the originating or prosecuting agency reasonably expects that the release of the victim's name will result in harassment of the victim, threats to the victim safety, or witness tampering. Stipulates that the redaction does not apply in certain circumstances and lists those circumstances. Permits the redaction of a witness's name in a public record, upon a request of anonymity by the witness, and if the originating or prosecuting agency reasonably expects That releasing the witness's name will result in harassment of the witness, threats to the witness's safety, or witness tampering. Provides that a public body may disclose the name of a witness to a crime in a public record if certain, listed circumstances, exist.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Support

~~HB2658 – Expungement of misdemeanor convictions~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Neal Carter (R)

~~Summary:~~ Permits a person who is convicted of a misdemeanor offense to petition the convicting court for an expungement of the record of conviction. Stipulates that an individual is prohibited from consideration for an expungement until three years after the date of the fulfillment of the conditions of the petitioner's probation or sentence and discharge. Defines the information that must be included in the application package. Requires the court to coordinate with the prosecuting agency and allow that agency up to 30 days to respond to the expungement request. Details how the court must process the request and the scenarios where expungement would not be appropriate. Requires

~~the court to grant the petition unless the prosecuting office establishes that the petitioner is not eligible for expungement by presenting clear and convincing evidence that the petitioner fails to meet the eligibility requirements. Defines the steps the court, and any associated employees must follow if the petition is granted. Effective date is January 1, 2026.~~

~~**Last Action:** 03/03/2025 S - Referred to Committee - Judiciary and Elections - Senate
Judiciary and Elections~~

~~**COP Position:** Monitor~~

HB2668 - Overtime pay; law enforcement

Sponsor: Rep. Lisa Fink (R)

Summary: Defines “each hour worked” as including the principal activities that an employee is employed to perform, but does not include activities not compensable as prescribed in the Portal to Portal Act of 1947.

~~**Last Action:** 02/18/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Science & Technology - House
Science & Technology~~

~~**COP Position:** Support~~

HB2672 - Property tax; exemption; veterans; disabilities

Sponsor: Rep. Michael Carbone (R)

Summary: Exempts from taxation the property of a veteran with a service-connected disability whose disability rating by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs is 100 percent. Sets tax rates for the surviving spouse of a veteran whose property is eligible for exemption under this legislation and permits the spouse to claim a full exemption if they use the property as the surviving spouse's primary residence and the surviving spouse does not remarry. Sets the property of a veteran with a non-service-connected disability whose disability rating is 100 percent or less, or with a service-connected disability whose rating is less than 100 percent, to be \$4,188. Establishes the formula to use to calculate further exemption amounts. Sets the exemption rate for the property of a widow or widower or a person with a total and permanent disability and provides an income scale to help determine the amount of the exemption.

Last Action: 03/17/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

COP Position: Monitor

HB2678 - Indistinguishable; visual depiction; definition

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Defines “indistinguishable” to mean a visual depiction that leads a viewer to reasonably conclude that the depiction is of an actual minor. Adds to the definition of “minor” that the word means a visual depiction that is indistinguishable from an actual minor. Stipulates that a “visual image” can be created or modified by means of computer software, artificial intelligence, or other digital editing tools.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Support

HB2684 - Pedestrians; congregating; medians; unsafe locations

Sponsor: Rep. Joseph Chaplik (R)

Summary: Prohibits a pedestrian from congregating or engaging in solicitation if the pedestrian is either on a painted or raised traffic island or median, or on an exit or entrance ramp or roadway of a controlled access highway, or in an unsafe location where there is not a sidewalk or a safe corridor for pedestrians. Allows a peace officer to issue a warning for the first violation, a civil traffic violation for a second violation, and for a third violation the person is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

Last Action: 03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Public Safety

COP Position: Monitor

Ch. 1, Laws 2025 (HB2688 - Internal revenue code; conformity)

Sponsor: Rep. Justin Olson (R)

Summary: Defines “Defines Internal Revenue Code” (defined) for the purposes of computing the Arizona income tax as applying to taxable years beginning on January 1, 2025 and including all amendments up and until January 1, 2025. Includes provisions that went into effect in 2024 and excludes any changes after January 1, 2025.

Stipulates that for the taxable years of December 31, 2023 through December 31, 2024, Internal Revenue Code means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and including those provisions that are retroactively effective during the taxable years beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. Strikes other applications of the Internal Revenue Code pertaining to specific years, amendments, provisions, Acts and funds.

Last Action: 02/28/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2689 - Cancer insurance; public safety; retirees

Sponsor: Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary: Permits people on the Public Safety Cancer Insurance Program, pursuant to state law, whose eligibility is expiring may remain eligible for coverage if they make an election with the Board of Trustees (Board) and pay to the Board 50 percent of the cost of the premium as determined by the Board. Stipulates that the employer from which the person retired must pay the remaining amount of the premium and that the Board is required to notify the employer of that amount annually pursuant to state law. Effective date is January 1, 2026.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - PASSED - House Final Reading

COP Position: Oppose

HB2696 - Critical Infrastructure; foreign adversary; prohibition

Sponsor: Rep. Nick Kupper (R)

Summary: Prohibits the use of any software or hardware on any Arizona “critical infrastructure” (defined) that is produced by a “company” (defined) that is headquartered in, owned, or controlled by a “foreign adversary” (defined). Requires any equipment or component of “critical communications infrastructure” (defined) in Arizona that is currently manufactured by a “federally banned corporation” (defined) to be replaced with equipment that is manufactured in the United States. Allows any communication provider that removes any communications equipment or parts to comply with this legislation to do so without having to reapply for any permits. Prohibits any government

entity or vendor from entering into a contract with any contractor or company that is restricted or banned by the US federal government or that is headquartered in, owned, or controlled by, a foreign adversary. Requires the Arizona Attorney General to publish a list of all Wi-Fi routers or modems that are prohibited pursuant to this legislation and to post that list on the Attorney General's website.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 S - DP - Senate Public Safety

COP Position: Monitor

~~HB2702 - Continuation; ACJC~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

~~Summary:~~ The statutory life of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission is extended 6 months to July 1, 2026. Retroactive to July 1, 2025. Requires the Legislative Council staff to prepare proposed legislation conforming the ARS to the provisions of this legislation for consideration in the fifty-seventh legislature, second regular session. Contains legislative findings.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/26/2025 S - Transmit to Senate

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

~~HB2703 - Early voting; tabulation; ballot deadlines~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Laurin Hendrix (R)

~~Summary:~~ Strikes the ability of a county Board of Supervisors to authorize by specific resolution the County Recorder or other election official to use emergency voting centers, and the ability of a principal of a school to deny a request to provide space for polling stations. Shifts the deadline for an early voter to cast a vote at an early voting location from Friday before an election to the Monday before an election. Strikes the ability of a qualified elector to request an emergency voting accommodation and a County Recorder or election official to grant an emergency accommodation. Outlines instructions that must be given to early voters up to 2026, and from 2026 forward. Defines ways an early voter can deliver their ballot to the County Recorder or Officer in Charge of elections, including identification requirements, locations and methods of delivery. Strikes the requirement of a County Recorder or election official to count and report early voting totals. Exempts early voters who show up in person from having their mail affidavit verified. Eliminates the ability of an elector that does not present identification to put their ballot in a drop box.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/18/2025 G - Vetoed

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

HB2704 - Tax; distribution; county stadium district

Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona State Treasurer, beginning July 1, 2026, to transmit to the County Stadium District any monies received pursuant to this legislation and to deposit those funds in the County Stadium District Fund. Defines the amounts to be transmitted and the origin of the tax amounts based on state tax amount calculations. Requires, after September 30, 2025, that the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADR) separately account for revenues under various category and tax classifications that are attributable to a Major League Baseball (MLB) Franchise facility owned and operated by

a county stadium district, pursuant to state law. Defines what taxes are to be earmarked for the County Stadium District Fund, how those taxes are to be derived, and classified, and how taxation amounts are to be calculated, starting on October 1, 2025. Requires professional sports franchises to relinquish tax information for each resident and non-resident employee who rendered services in Arizona for the calendar year, and outlines penalties for noncompliance. Stipulates what funds are to be used to reconstruct, repair, equip, maintain or improve an MLB facility owned and operated by a county district.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - Removed from Hearing Agenda - 04/01/2025, 9:00 AM - Senate APPROP, SHR 109

COP Position: Oppose

~~HB2712 – Indistinguishable; visual depiction; minor; definition~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Walter "Walt" Blackman (R)

~~Summary:~~ Defines “indistinguishable” to mean a visual depiction that leads a viewer to reasonably conclude that the depiction is of an actual minor. Adds to the definition of “minor” that the word means a visual depiction that is indistinguishable from an actual minor. Stipulates that a “visual image” can be created or modified by means of computer software, artificial intelligence, or other digital editing tools.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 H – House Minority Caucus – Y

~~COP Position:~~ Support

Ch. 34, Laws 2025 (HB2720 - Hydrolyzed cocaine; threshold amount)

Sponsor: Rep. Leo Biasiucci (R)

Summary: Adds hydrolyzed cocaine under the definition of “threshold amount” (defined).

Last Action: 03/31/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2721 – Ambulance services; public information~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

~~Summary:~~ Defines the information a privately owned ambulance service must provide to the Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS). Requires the ADPS to make this information publicly accessible, upon request, except any data that is personally identifiable. Requires the ADPS to post the requested information, as redacted, on the ADPS website.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/18/2025 H – HELD – House Commerce

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

HB2728 - DUI; alternative treatment

Sponsor: Rep. Teresa Martinez (R)

Summary: Adds evidenced-based psychotherapy to the list of permissible treatment options. Stipulates that as part of a punishment for OUI as defined by this legislation, a court may require the offender to participate in a religious program that is approved by the court.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - PASSED - House Final Reading

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 91, Laws 2025 (HB2741 - Liquor sampling; reporting; requirements)**Sponsor:** Rep. Chris Lopez (R)

Summary: Strikes the requirement for the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (ADLLC) to issue additional beer and wine licenses at a specific rate per person in a county. Prohibits the ADLLC from requiring that a beer and wine store or liquor store that has sampling privileges pursuant to state law to use a single, ADLLC maintained system for mandatory records and reports. Permits a beer or liquor store to use any reasonable means for maintaining records and reports and lists required reports pertaining to schedule samplings.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed**COP Position:** Neutral**HB2750 - Fire trucks; diesel fuel; exemption****Sponsor:** Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: Permits fire equipment to use dyed diesel if the equipment is transporting fire fighters outside of Area A, B and C, pursuant to state law. Exempts diesel in those cases from the excise tax on diesel fuel.

Last Action: 05/01/2025 G - Transmit to Governor**COP Position:** Support**~~HB2786 - Excessive speed; speed inhibiting device~~****~~Sponsor:~~** Rep. Quang H. Nguyen (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Permits a court to order a speed inhibiting device instead of suspending a driver's license for certain speeding violations. Requires the device be installed for at least 90 days for a first offense, 180 days for high speed violations or repeat offenses, and one year for excessive points or repeated violations. Requires the driver to pay for installation and maintenance and proof of compliance is required and lists the information a manufacturer must provide to prove compliance. Stipulates that failure to comply is reason to suspend a license and designates operating a vehicle without the device when required is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Grants a hearing on a failure to comply within 15 days of a suspension of driving privileges. Requires the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), after consulting with public safety officials, to create rules governing the program, including reliability, accuracy, and product liability insurance. Requires that a certified list of devices and manufacturers will be available to courts and probation departments. Establishes qualification benchmarks for technicians. Stipulates that tampering with the device carries legal penalties. Requires certain data be collected and reported and failure to comply with reporting mandates can result in civil penalties. Requires restricted individuals to use the device on rental or loaned vehicles and the person required to implement the device is required to inform the vehicle owner of the imposed driving limitations before borrowing a car.~~

~~Last Action:~~ 03/11/2025 H - FAILED - House Third Reading**~~COP Position:~~** Monitor**HB2787 - Ground ambulances; registration****Sponsor:** Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Stipulates that if the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) fails to perform a requires inspection of an ambulance, the ambulance's registration remains in effect until the ADHS completes the inspection and the Certificate of Registration holder complies with the renewal process as defined by law. Stipulates that the ADHS failure to issue a Certificate of Registration according to schedule does not invalidate or delay the effective date. Applies retroactively to March 31, 2021. Contains an emergency clause.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - PASSED - House Final Reading

COP Position: Monitor

~~HB2796 - Politically engaged persons; criminal charges~~

Sponsor: Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: ~~Requires that criminal charges against a "politically engaged person" (defined) be pre-approved by a majority of the Attorney General and all county attorneys using standard prosecutorial criteria. Requires, if the approval of all required parties is not given, a court to dismiss charges unless prosecutors prove they were unaware of the defendant's political status. Extends to prosecutors three months to refile charges after securing approval. Requires a motion to dismiss to be filed within 30 days of the charges.~~

Last Action: ~~02/13/2025 H - Removed from Hearing Agenda - 02/19/2025, 8:30 AM - House JUD, HHR 4~~

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

HB2798 - Narcotic injection sites; zoning; prohibition

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Prohibits a municipality or county from developing an ordinance, regulation, or "overlay zoning district" (defined) that would allow the development of a "narcotics injection site" (defined).

Last Action: 05/07/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

HB2803 - Mixed hoteling; signage; requirements

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary: Requires a homeless service provider that engages in "mixed hoteling" (defined) to coordinate with the building supervisor and building owner and to post signs over each entrance and exit in a clearly visible place that announces the mixed clientele. Defines the criteria that must be met for the signs, including type of font, font size, color of writing, and the height and width of the sign. Requires that the text of the sign also be posted on the hotel website, and that all guests, before checking in, must be provided with a printed form clearly stating that the hotel is engaging in mixed hoteling. Requires that the hotel issue a full refund to any guest who objects to the mixed hoteling. Prohibits any state or local monies to be used for mixed hoteling.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

~~HB2856 - Sealing; arrest records; sentence reduction~~

Sponsor: Rep. Tony Rivero (R)

Summary: ~~Requires the court to reclassify a felony conviction as a Class 1 Misdemeanor, upon the convicted person completing all terms and conditions of their sentence, and after five years have passed, if the initial felony conviction was for a nondangerous Class 4, 5, or 6 felony offense and the offense involved no victim.~~

Last Action: 02/19/2025 H – HELD – House Judiciary

COP Position: Oppose

HB2869 – Municipal development; independent provider review

Sponsor: Rep. Michael Way (R)

Summary: ~~Permits an “applicant” (defined) to contract with an “independent provider” (defined) to review an “application” (defined) or provide a building inspection provided the applicant has not financial ties to the provider. Prohibits an independent provider from providing legal counsel to the applicant. Lists criteria the applicant must meet and submit to the municipality where the property in question is located pertaining to the independent provider. Requires if the applicant uses an independent provider, to reduce the fee the municipality charges for an application review or building inspection. Requires an independent provider to maintain liability insurance. Requires a municipality to provide access to all pertinent permitting and inspection documents. Lists mandatory reports and the information that must be included in them by the independent provider and defines the application approval or denial process, including the appeals process if the application is denied. Prohibits a municipality from adopting rules pertaining to independent providers, application reviews and inspections that are more stringent than this legislation. Grants an applicant standing in a court of competent jurisdiction to appeal entire or parts of decisions pertaining to an application or inspection. Effective date is January 1, 2026. Provides for severability. Is entitled the “Speeding Development Act.”~~

Last Action: 03/05/2025 H – Hearing Scheduled – 03/06/2025 – Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Oppose

HB2873 – Tourism improvement areas; municipalities; counties

Sponsor: Rep. Justin Wilmeth (R)

Summary: Empowers a local governing body to establish a Tourism Improvement Area (TIA) when lodging businesses petition for its formation. The TIA focuses on bolstering local tourism and lodging sectors. Delineates what must be included in a petition including specified ownership details. Allows lodging business owners to appoint authorized representatives. TIA plan details the proposed activities, benefits, and assessment structure. Permits lodging business assessments to range up to \$5 or 5% per room sold, that must benefit the lodging businesses and can vary by property type and must aim to enhance tourism promotion and overall economic development. Requires the TIA to adopt a resolution of intention and notifies lodging businesses, providing at least 30 days before the public hearing. Prevents the formation process from continuing for at least 1 year, if owners representing half of the total rooms protest. Requires, when once approved, a destination marketing organization (DMO) contracted by the municipality or county to manage the TIA, implementing promotional activities and reporting annually on progress. Permits the DMO to collect donations and grants,

further supporting tourism initiatives. Permits the governing body to amend the TIA plan upon the DMO's request. Requires the Department of Revenue to collect and report assessments, and to forward funds monthly to local treasurers. Specifies that each TIA has a 10-year term, with renewal options available, allowing modifications to activities and the rolling over of remaining funds. Permits lodging businesses to petition for dissolution during a specified annual window, and permits the governing body to dissolve a TIA if mismanagement or legal violations occur. Requires any remaining funds to either be used according to the plan or refunded proportionally to the lodging business owners ensuring transparency and accountability in how tourism development initiatives are funded and administered. AS PASSED HOUSE

Last Action: 03/12/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/13/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Support

HB2894 - Silver alert; criteria; notification

Sponsor: Rep. Khyll Powell (R)

Summary: Adds verbiage covering all disabilities and individuals 60 years or older to the list of prompts that would activate the Silver Alert Notification system and prompt a coordinated follow up among all involved law enforcement and first responder agencies, departments and personnel. Adds exhausting all local resources "within 24 hours." Requires the Arizona Department of Public Safety to activate the Silver Alert Notification system if the individual missing is younger than 18 years of age.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 36, Laws 2025 (HB2905 - Craft producer; festival; fair; license)

Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

Summary: Initiates a "Craft Producer Festival License" (License) as an umbrella license to cover multiple avenues of craft brewing and wine enterprises. Authorizes the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (ADLLC) to issue Licenses, defines eligibility for the License, and lists the permissions of the License. Requires venue permissions from the County Board of Supervisors before the ADLLC may issue a License, outlines permissions and prohibitions of the License as well as timeframes for approvals or denials, and the process of approving or denying a License. Permits the ADLLC to issue one or more Licenses for each licensed craft producer for a total of up to 150 calendar days for each producer. Permits the ADLLC to establish rules and a fee for each day of each event for a License. Permits a representative of the licensed craft producer to consume small amounts of the products on festival premises for quality control. Permits the ADLLC to issue a Craft Producer Fair License with permission from state fair organizers.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

HB2918 - Tax rates; reductions

Sponsor: Rep. Justin Olson (R)

Summary: Requires the Joint Legislative Budget Committee to further adjust tax percentages as needed. Sets tax rate percentages for collection. Stipulates the length of a taxable year, and provides instructions on how to calculate tax rates based on the year.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 S - DP - Senate Appropriations

COP Position: Oppose

~~HB2925 – Rezoning; administrative act; referral prohibited~~

Sponsor: Rep. Michael Carbone (R)

Summary: ~~Classifies any rezoning approved by a legislative body, governing body, or county Board of Supervisors pursuant to this legislation as an “administrative act” and is not subject to the filing of a referendum petition by a person or organization, provided it adheres to listed criteria. Retroactive to from and after June 30, 2024.~~

Last Action: ~~02/13/2025 H – House 2nd Read~~

COP Position: Monitor

~~HB2942 – Firefighters; bill of rights~~

Sponsor: Rep. Consuelo Hernandez (D)

Summary: ~~Establishes the “firefighter” (defined) Bill of Rights, covering that a firefighter is not subject to “disciplinary action” (defined) except for “just cause” (defined), discipline, internal investigations, right to representation, “appeal” (defined) processes, hearings, Superior Court Review Hearings, Confidentiality of Records, and time limits on disciplinary actions.~~

Last Action: ~~02/18/2025 H – Referred to Committee – Science & Technology – House Science & Technology~~

COP Position: Monitor

~~HB2943 – Municipal fire departments; defunding; prohibition~~

Sponsor: Rep. Alma Hernandez (D)

Summary: ~~Prohibits a municipality from reducing the annual budget for a “fire department” (defined) below the prior year’s budget, and if a municipality reduces the operating budget for a fire department, the municipality is required to contact the Arizona State Treasurer, who must withhold any state shared monies from the municipality in the amount of the operating budget reduction. Stipulates that the state monies will be restored upon restoration of the budget cuts, that the requirements of this legislation do not apply if the municipality does not have the revenue to continue the fire department operating budget at the prior year’s levels of funding, and that the Arizona State Treasurer must not withhold monies if a municipality certifies the funds are needed to make any required deposits, service debt or meet other long-term obligations that were incurred before the reduction in funding.~~

Last Action: ~~02/25/2025 H – Hearing Scheduled – 02/26/2025 – Third Reading, House Floor~~

COP Position: Oppose

HCM2003 - Stormwater; groundwater; recharge; urging support

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: The Arizona House and Senate outline the challenges facing Arizona regarding water and water storage and encourage the Arizona Department of Water Resources and State Land Department focus on the development of groundwater recharge infrastructure projects by supporting the Arizona Water Infrastructure Finance Authority and the Water Supply Development Revolving Fund, developing the 331 sites identified as suitable for groundwater recharging infrastructure projects, and consider private input regarding groundwater supply and the future health of a basin.

Last Action: 04/16/2025 G - Transmit to Secretary of State

COP Position: Neutral

HCM2008 - EPA; regional offices; move

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary: Urges the United States federal government to either move the Environmental Protection Agency's regional office to Arizona or move Arizona to a different region.

Last Action: 04/16/2025 G - Transmit to Secretary of State

COP Position: Monitor

HCR2002 - Voting centers; precinct voting

Sponsor: Rep. Rachel Jones (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Arizona State law to require that election precincts not contain more than 1,000 registered voters at the time precincts are designated, and to prohibit the use of voting centers in place of or in addition to specifically designated polling places.

Last Action: 03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Judiciary and Elections

COP Position: Oppose

HCR2013 - Early ballots; deadlines; foreign money

Sponsor: Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Arizona state statute to prohibit a government entity in Arizona from using money or in-kind goods or services that are donated, directly or indirectly, by foreign government, or any foreign nongovernmental source, for election administration. Asks voters to approve the issuance have a unique early voter ID number to each voter on the early voting list, defines the information that must be on an early voter ballot request, as well as rules to require a county recorder or other election officer to reject a voter's early ballot application if all required information is not submitted, and the process and wording that must be included on the issuance of early voting materials. Asks voters to approve the process and evaluator must follow to verify the information submitted by an early voter.

Last Action: 03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Judiciary and Elections

COP Position: Oppose

HCR2016 - Reinstatement; WIFA monies

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: The Arizona House and Senate acknowledge the challenges of water management in the state, importance of the Arizona Water Infrastructure Finance Authority and the impact of its funding cuts, and assert that both are committed to investing in long-term solutions to alleviate challenges of water security, the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority is key to those solutions, and its solicitation for procurement is an effective method of facilitating the development of a safe, sustainable water supply, the scale of private and public investment in water infrastructure is critical to attaining water security, and that as budgetary conditions improve, reinstating the full appropriations envisioned before cuts to attain water security is paramount.

Last Action: 05/01/2025 G - Transmit to Secretary of State

COP Position: Support

HCR2021 - Food; municipal tax; exemption

Sponsor: Rep. Leo Biasiucci (R)

Summary: Prohibits a city, town or other taxing jurisdiction from imposing a municipal transaction privilege tax on sale of food items intended for home consumption, unless the city, town or other taxing jurisdiction is compliant with outlined requirements for imposing a transaction privilege, sales, use, franchise or other similar tax or fee.

Last Action: 03/24/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

COP Position: Monitor

HCR2022 - Nuclear energy; Palo Verde; support

Sponsor: Rep. Pamela Carter (R)

Summary: The House and Senate recognize the importance of and support the Palo Verde Generating Station and the safe and efficient use of nuclear energy to supply the energy consumption needs of the people of Arizona and trust that consumers are well informed regarding the safety of modern nuclear energy production.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 G - Transmit to Secretary of State

COP Position: Neutral

HCR2023 - Property tax; combat veterans; exemption

Sponsor: Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona revised statutes to permit the property of a combat veteran with a service connected disability that is combat related and is rated at 100 percent by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs is fully exempt from taxation, and to permit the property of a widow or widower, a person with a total and permanent disability, or a veteran with a service non service connected disability, who does not qualify for a full exemption as listed above, to be taxed at certain, defined and listed ratios. Additionally, voters will be asked to approve that the amount to be raised from primary property taxes may not include the amount to offset the aggregate amount of exemptions provided by state law for any particular tax year. Stipulates that these changes would apply two taxable years starting January 1, 2026.

Last Action: 03/17/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

COP Position: Monitor

HCR2035 – Tax prohibition; vehicle mileage; monitoring**Sponsor:** Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Article IV of the Constitution of Arizona, prohibiting the state, and any county, city, town, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision, from imposing a tax or fee on any person based on the vehicle miles traveled by the person in a motor vehicle, or enact any rule or law to monitor or limit the vehicle miles traveled by a person in a motor vehicle unless the rule or law requires that the person voluntarily consents to the monitoring or limitation. Stipulates that this change does not apply to an interstate agreement to administer the payment or reporting of fuel taxes for registration fees for commercial vehicles that operate in more than one state.

Last Action: 02/24/2025 H – Hearing Scheduled – 02/25/2025 – Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Monitor

HCR2037 - Prohibited weapons; definition repeal**Sponsor:** Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: The 2024 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona Revised Statutes related to prohibited weapons by striking the definition of “prohibited weapon” (defined), exclusion from the definition of “trafficking” (defined), classification of “misconduct, pertaining to manufacturing, possessing, transporting, or selling a prohibited weapon and the exclusion as it applies to the gifted, devised or descended merchandise of an authorized manufacturer or dealer in prohibited weapons. Modifies the definition of “simulated explosive device” (defined) to include any item that is a bomb, grenade, or rocket with a propellant charge of more than four ounces, or mine that is explosive, incendiary, or poison gas, or is contained in a breakable container that contains a liquid flashpoint of 150 degrees Fahrenheit or less, and has a wick or similar ignition mechanism, or is an improvised explosive device. Requires upon approval, the Legislative Council Staff to prepare proposed legislation conforming Arizona Revised Statutes to this legislation.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 S - DPA/SE - Senate Government

COP Position: Oppose

HCR2038 – Rulemaking; legislative ratification; regulatory costs**Sponsor:** Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary: The 2024 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona Revised Statutes related to rule making that would require an Arizona agency to submit to the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity (AOEO) any proposed “rule” (defined) that is projected to increase regulatory costs in Arizona by more than \$100,000 within five years of implementation. The measure would prohibit a submitted proposed rule from becoming effective unless approved by the legislature if the AOEO finds that the rule will likely cost more than \$500,000 within five years after implementation. Sets a deadline for submitting the rule for review to the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee (Committee) and requires the Committee to submit the proposed rule to the legislature as soon as practicable. Permits any member of the legislature to submit legislation to ratify the proposed rule and exempts it from any

~~statutes regarding the time and manner of rulemaking. Prohibits an agency from filing the final rule with the Arizona Secretary of State without legislative approval and stipulates that if the legislature does not ratify the proposed rule during the current legislative session, the agency shall terminate the proposed rule by publishing a notice of termination in the register. Allows a person that is regulated by an agency that is proposing a rule, to request the AOEO review the proposed rule, and the legislature to be able to request the AOEO to review any proposed rule. Stipulates that this legislation does not apply to emergency rules, or the Arizona Corporation Commission. Provides for severability.~~

~~Last Action: 02/19/2025 H - DPA - House Committee of the Whole~~

~~COP Position: Oppose~~

HCR2042 - Preferential treatment; discrimination; prohibited acts

Sponsor: Rep. Steve B. Montenegro (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona State Constitution to prohibit giving preferential treatment to any race, spending public money on any public programs to do so, implementing disciplinary policy or practices that utilize preferential treatment as a determiner, or require an applicant, employee, student or contractor to engage in any listed activities that favor one race over another. Stipulates that this proposed amendment does not prohibit sex-specific spaces or designation or adherence with federal law. Lists the effective date of the amendment change as after December 14, 2010.

Last Action: 03/19/2025 S - DP - Senate Government

COP Position: Oppose

HCR2046 - Colorado River; cause of decline

Sponsor: Rep. Gail Griffin (R)

Summary: The Arizona House and Senate concur and resolve that consumption is not a problem causing the reduction of Colorado River water, mismanagement of that river and other American watersheds of overgrown and water-depleting plants has reduced the annual flows in the river, and that until the principal causes of the reduction of flow in the river are addressed, conservation efforts and investment will not work. Further, both concur and resolve to support the focus on eradicating invasive species such as the salt cedar in order to restore the flow to the river that is so vital to Arizona.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 G - Transmit to Secretary of State

COP Position: Oppose

~~**HCR2053 - Legislative privilege; traffic violations**~~

~~**Sponsor:** Rep. Quang H. Nguyen (R)~~

~~**Summary:** The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Article 4, Part 2, Section 6 of the Constitution of Arizona to include traffic violations in the list members of the legislature do not enjoy any immunity.~~

~~**Last Action:** 03/17/2025 S - Referred to Committee - Public Safety - Senate Public Safety~~

~~**COP Position:** Neutral~~

SB1001 - Early ballots; identification; tabulation

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Prohibits a County Recorder or other Officer in Charge of Elections from operating an on-site early voting location after 7:00 P.M. on the Friday preceding an election if the official in question is not able to revise precinct registrations and other election materials for use on election day to help identify which voters have requested and early ballot, voted, or are on the inactive voter list. Revises the effective date of this legislation to be upon enactment and defines early voting procedures, including voter identification, roll signature, ballot mailing, delivery, ballot handling, processing, and security requirements, and timeframes for accepting early ballots.

Last Action: 04/02/2025 H - DP - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Monitor

Ch. 55, Laws 2025 (SB1006 - Fair jury improvement fund)

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanaugh (R)

Summary: Modifies the name of the Arizona Trial and Digital Evidence Fund to the Fair Jury Improvement Fund.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

SB1014 - Prohibited weapons; muffling device; repeal

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: For the purposes of the criminal code, a device that is designed, made, or adapted to muffle the report of a firearm would have been removed from the definition of "prohibited weapon."

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Oppose

SB1019 - Photo enforcement systems; prohibition

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: Prohibits the use of "photo enforcement systems" (defined) by law enforcement and local authorities to enforce traffic laws. Contains a legislative intent clause.

Last Action: 04/14/2025 H - DP - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1023 - Critical infrastructure; prohibited agreements~~

~~**Sponsor:** Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Prohibits a "company" (defined) or government entity in Arizona from entering into an agreement involving "critical infrastructure" (defined) with a company or entity that would be able to access critical infrastructure beyond maintenance and repair or is owned by a citizen or government entity of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia. Provides exceptions to this prohibition. Permits the Governor in coordination with the Arizona Department of Public Safety to designate a country as a threat to the critical infrastructure of Arizona.~~

~~**Last Action:** 02/27/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/05/2025 - House GOV, HHR 5~~

COP Position: Monitor

SB1024 - State agencies; payments; cryptocurrency

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: State agencies are authorized to accept “cryptocurrency” (defined) as a payment method for taxes, fees, fines, civil penalties, financial obligations, and special assessments by entering into an agreement with a “cryptocurrency service provider” (defined) to provide a method to accept cryptocurrency as a payment for any amount due to that agency or the state. Requirements for the agreement are listed. Effective January 1, 2026.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Monitor

SB1036 - Public resources; influencing elections; penalties

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary: Establishes penalties for a municipality or county found to be guilty of using municipal resources to influence an election and provides that the penalties be paid to the Arizona Attorney General, County Attorney or resident, as is appropriate based on the entity that brought the complaint, and the entity or entities found guilty of violating the prohibition. Permits a resident to file an action in Superior Court pertaining to a violation of this prohibition.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 S - PASSED - Senate Final Reading

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1038 - Aggravated assault; commission; certain officials~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Based on specified date ranges, modifies what qualifies as committing aggravated assault, including assaulting elected officials, law enforcement and public personnel during the execution of their official duties. Excludes assaults from those who are developmentally or cognitively disabled against a “healthcare worker” (defined) from qualifying as aggravated. Defines aggravated assault against certain law enforcement personnel as Class 2, 3, 4, and 5 felonies. Defines penalties for criminal convictions of aggravated assault, including enhanced penalties based on defined circumstances and prohibitions from special designations, pursuant to state law.~~

~~Last Action:~~ 03/26/2025 H - FAILED - House Judiciary

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

Ch. 3, Laws 2025 (SB1040 - Recall elections; procedures; timeline)

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary: Increases to 75 days after receiving the front and back of recall signature sheets the time the county recorder must determine the number of signatures or affidavits of individuals whose names were included on the sheets that must be disqualified. Increases to 120 days, or more, the time frame between when a recall election order is issued and the recall election held. Requires any person who desires to be a candidate for the office associated with the recall election to file a Statement of Interest with the appropriate filing officer in the form prescribed by state law. Stipulates

that any nomination petition signatures that are collected before the Statement of Interest and the recall application are filed are invalid and subject to challenge.

Last Action: 03/25/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1050 – GPLET; notice; abatement period~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Venden "Vince" Leach (R)

~~Summary:~~ Includes property on which the tax is under abatement of tax for government property improvements in a single central business district when determining how the qualifying tax rate should be applied as part of the formula for determining equalization assistance for education. Requires a government lessor to include the lease in a public database on the website of the applicable county, city or town within 30 days of entering into a lease for the occupancy of a government property improvement. Defines the information that must be included in the government lessor's public database and on any official submissions to the County Treasurer. Requires that by February 15th of each year, the county treasurer will submit a report to the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) and Requires ADOR to post the report on its website within 30 days of receipt. Defines notice requirements for a government lessor. Modifies the time. In which a city or town may abate the tax provided for under this legislation from eight to four years after the certificate of occupancy is issued on a government property improvement that is constructed either before or after July 20, 1996. Defines criteria for approving a lease between a prime lessee and a government lessor for which the tax is abated pursuant to state law, but that does not meet all the criteria for Arizona tax rate laws and schedules. Stipulates that this act applies to agreements entered into starting on January 1, 2026.

~~Last Action:~~ 04/07/2025 G – Vetoed

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

SB1051 - Engineers; alterations; commercial space

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: Permits a non-registrant who designs additions or alterations to a one or two-story building or structure subject to this legislation to exceed the maximum 3000 square foot limitation for an interior nonstructural alteration of an individual unit of a commercial space if that individual unit does not exceed 3000 feet.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

SB1052 - Voter registration; temporary absence

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: Repeals the ability of a United States citizen who has never resided in the United States and whose parent is a United States citizen who is registered to vote in Arizona, to register to vote and vote in Arizona using a federal write-in early ballot.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Monitor

~~SB1055 – Municipalities; retired police officers; volunteers~~

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: A person, contractor or political subdivision that is performing work on roads, streets or highways may use volunteer retired police officers to maintain a visible police presence.

Last Action: 01/29/2025 S - FAILED - Senate Public Safety

COP Position: Neutral

SB1058 - Retirement; reemployment; school resource officers

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Adds School Resource Officer to the exemptions from certain reemployment restrictions rules from certain reemployment restrictions aligning them with similar exemptions already provided for fire inspectors and arson investigators and explicitly includes school resource officers as a category where reemployment does not trigger the application of restrictions such as suspension of pension payments or overpayment recovery.

Last Action: 03/25/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/27/2025, 9:00 AM - House LARA, HHR 3

COP Position: Support

Ch. 14, Laws 2025 (SB1060 - Internal investigations; notice; confidentiality)

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Prohibits an employer from compelling a law enforcement officer or a law enforcement officer's representative from disclosing any communications between the law enforcement officer and the law enforcement officer's representative during or after an interview. Provides an exemption to the law enforcement officer's representative if they voluntarily disclose any planned criminal conduct by the law enforcement officer.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

SB1064 - Voting; equipment; internet; custody; violation

Sponsor: Sen. Mark Finchem (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Secretary of State verify vote recording and tabulating machines approved for use pursuant to state law, have the appropriate level security, per industry best practices, not have hardware installed that supports any form of remote access, or software that allows any change to results in files or database, support the usage and tracking of users based on unique credentials that are changed at least once per election cycle, log deletions of ballot information, and maintain election data for 22 months after the election. Prohibits voting equipment used in a polling place or voting center from having Internet access and access by any means to any data or results, and if the equipment has an accessible port, the port must be locked with tamper proof sealing and logged in a chain of custody document when broken or accessed. Requires the same security, logging and management for tabulation equipment and permits only authorized personnel, including political party observers, to be present at the tabulation of votes. Requires two observers who are not members of the same political party be present when a removable storage device is employed, including during the insertion, removal, and transportation of the device. Requires

activities at the counting center be included in a nonstop video, pursuant to state law, that is posted to the county's website. Stipulates that a person who violates this legislation is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Monitor

SB1069 - Personal property exemption; increase

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Increases the exemption for property taxes for property used for agricultural purposes or Class 1 personal property that is used in a trade or business, per state law, to \$500,000. Effective date is January 1, 2026.

Last Action: 03/05/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1071 - SNAP; TANF; public welfare; verification~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

~~Summary:~~ Defines information that the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES) must look at when determining and maintaining eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP,) and the frequency that information must be reviewed. Requires ADES to post on their website aggregated amounts that were obtained from noncompliance and fraud investigations related to SNAP and defines what comprises that information. Defines information that the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Must review from federal sources. Requires ADES to review an individual's case if it receives information that identifies an individual who is enrolled in SNAP and has experienced a change in circumstances that may affect their program eligibility. Requires ADES to use electronic benefit transfer card data to identify out of state purchases over a 90 day period and defines the process ADES must follow to verify that individual's eligibility status, and if it discovers that an individual is not eligible for SNAP, and if it is warranted, ADES is required to submit that individual's information to the United States Attorney's Office for the district where that individual claims to reside.

~~Last Action:~~ 04/18/2025 G - Vetoeed

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

~~SB1073 - NOW: Cities; towns; counties; public notices~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires a city, town and county to satisfy any statutory requirement for advertising, publishing or printing by placing the public notice on the public body's official website.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/13/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Government - House Government

~~COP Position:~~ Support

SB1085 - TPT; use tax; exemption; aviation

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Adds persons who will use the property for maintaining, repairing or overhauling general aviation aircraft to the aircraft, navigational and communication instruments and other accessories and related equipment as part of the deductible gross proceeds of sales or gross income derived from sales and as part of exempt personal property. The effective date of this legislation are the taxable periods beginning on or after the first day of the month following the general effective date.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1086 – Transportation system performance; ADOT~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

~~Summary:~~ Amends existing requirements to cover the development of performance metrics and the use of said metrics in board presentation material for the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to include mobility, integration of modes of travel, and safety improvements. Requires ADOT to use new weighting metrics for deciding on highway and transit products that include weighting congestion reduction and increased mobility at 40 percent each for highway projects and safety improvements/reduction in roadway fatalities at 20 percent for highway projects. For transit projects, ridership on each route may not be weighted lower than 70 percent of the system average. The ridership minimum may be weighed 50 percent of the system average if the lines are contracted to a private operator. Prohibits the ADOT from considering or adopting a motor vehicle travel mile reduction target, or using metrics that provide benefits based on race, color or ethnicity.

~~Last Action:~~ 05/02/2025 G – Vetoed

~~COP Position:~~ Oppose

SB1088 - Government; compliance; immigration; deportation

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: Requires a city or town, county, state agency and the state (public entity) or an independent contractor of a public entity to comply with all federal laws, rules, regulations or orders that relate to immigration and deportation and cooperate with outlined federal immigration authorities. Outlines penalties for a public entity or independent contractor that violates prescribed federal immigration and deportation compliance requirements.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1090 – Schools; libraries; explicit materials; classification~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

~~Summary:~~ Stipulates that an employee or independent contractor of a public school or “public library” (defined) who acting with criminal negligence refer students to or use any “sexually explicit material” (defined) in any manner is guilty of a Class 5 Felony. Repeals references to simulated sexual activity under the definition of “ultimate sexual acts” (defined). Modifies the chapter heading of Title 34, Chapter 5 from “Computer Access” to “Public Access to Computers and Libraries,” and Title 34, Chapter 5, Article 1 from “Access by Minors” to “Computer Access by Minors.”

Last Action: 01/29/2025 S - DP - Senate Education

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1092 - Vehicle mileage; tracking; tax; prohibitions

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: Prohibits a city, town, county or political subdivision from considering or establishing Vehicles Miles Travel Reduction goals for use with state projects; or track or maintain a record of personal vehicle miles of travel records (via odometer readings, cameras, or any other means of recording) of any person; or impose any mileage fee or tax on miles traveled by an individual in a motor vehicle.

Last Action: 04/25/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 04/28/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

Position: Monitor

~~SB1093 - Government investments; products; fiduciaries; plans~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires the State Treasurer to post a current list of state investments and investment managers by name on the State Treasurer's website. Mandates that all investments be made in the interest of the taxpayer based on "pecuniary factors" (defined) as a "fiduciary" (defined), prohibits "unnecessary investment risks" or promoting of "nonpecuniary" (defined) benefits or social goals. Outlines rules guiding voting on shares, including that it is prohibited to grant proxy voting authority to someone outside of the government entity unless that person follows government guidelines to act based on pecuniary factors.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/10/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Government - House Government

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

SB1097 - Elections; voting centers; polling places

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: Requires district schools to close on a primary election day and a general election day but requires teachers and staff to receive in-service training or development and prohibits them from using personal, vacation or other leave excepting a school district from allowing an employee time off to vote. Allows voting centers to be created on a specific resolution of the Board of Supervisors. Requires a state, county, city, town or school district office to provide sufficient space for use as a polling place upon request of the Officer in charge of elections for any state, county, city or town elections and exempts district schools with a "gymnasium" (defined) from any state, local or school district requirements that would otherwise prevent or limit the use of the school or its gymnasium as a polling place. Removes the ability of the principal of a district or charter school to deny a request to provide space for use as a polling place for an election by providing a written statement indicating that space is not available at the school; or the safety or welfare of the children would be jeopardized.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Monitor

SB1098 - Early ballot drop off; identification

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: For any voter or voter's agent who delivers one or more voted early ballots in affidavit envelopes at any polling place or voting center, the election board must require the person to present valid identification that meets statutory requirements for his/her own early ballot or for another person's ballot, and to attest in writing that he/she is the voter's family member, household member or caregiver for another person's early ballot. Knowing violations are a class 5 (second-lowest) felony.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1099 – Sexually explicit materials; government; prohibition~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits the state, a state agency, county, municipality, or political subdivision of Arizona and its contractors from exposing minors to "sexually explicit materials" (defined). Prohibits a facility or property owned, leased or managed by these entities from being used for filming or facilitating sexually explicit acts. Violations are classified as a class 5 felony.

~~Last Action:~~ 01/29/2025 S – DP – Senate Government

~~COP Position:~~ Oppose

SB1103 - Penalty assessment; victims' rights enforcement

Sponsor: Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

Summary: Increases the penalty assessment on fines, penalties and forfeitures imposed and collected by the courts for criminal offenses in any civil penalty imposed and collected for a civil traffic violation and fine, penalty or forfeiture for violation of the motor vehicle statutes, for any local ordinance relating to the stopping, standing or operation of a vehicle, or for a violation of the Game and Fish statutes, pursuant to state law, from \$2 to \$4.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 37, Laws 2025 (SB1104 - Police reports; victims; prosecuting agency)

Sponsor: Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

Summary: Adds "Charging Prosecutorial Agency" to all mentions of law enforcement Departments, Offices or Agencies. Adds video recordings from an investigating agency as part of the records and/or information a victim is entitled to receive.

Last Action: 04/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

Ch. 6, Laws 2025 (SB1105 - Medical marijuana dispensaries; location)

Sponsor: Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

Summary: Adds childcare facilities or facilities that provide preschool programs to the distance restrictions for the location of a medical marijuana dispensary. Requires an affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of each House of the legislature.

Last Action: 03/25/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

SB1111 – NOW: Government

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: Prescribes a fee to be collected from any person that initiates a foreign wire transfer for deposit into the Arizona Deportations Fund to provide grants to law enforcement agencies for each illegal immigrant apprehended and deported. Allows a tax credit in the amount paid by the taxpayer for a foreign wire transfer during the taxable year.

Last Action: 03/03/2025 S - PFC - Senate Rules

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1114 - Assured water supply; analysis; availability

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Allows certain analyses of assured water supply, issued on or before May 31, 2023, to qualify as valid demonstrations of physically available groundwater for certificates of assured water supply, minus the volume already allocated to other certificates. Requires the department to issue the certificate, if an applicant holding one of these analyses submits a sworn statement agreeing to reduce the remaining reserved groundwater volume by 15 percent after the department grants the certificate. Requires the department to apply the water demand assumption in effect when the applicant submitted the certificate request if the new certificate relies on such an analysis. Requires the difference in volume between the current demand assumption and the original assumption to remain physically available for further development within the designated provider's service area. Emergency measure.

Last Action: 04/01/2025 H - RET ON CAL - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1115 - Demand calculator; rules; conservation code

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Requires the department of Water Resources (ADWR), starting immediately and every five years afterward, to adopt rules updating its project demand calculator, which must disclose all inputs the calculator uses and incorporate the most current conservation codes. Authorize the ADWR to use expedited rulemaking for this process. Emergency measure.

Last Action: 04/28/2025 H - PASSED - House Motion to Reconsider Third

COP Position: Neutral

SB1116 - Groundwater model; receipt; written findings

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to notify the person submitting an alternative groundwater model in writing within five days of receipt and provide a written response to the applicant, detailing whether it accepts the overall findings of the model, specifying acceptance or denial of each specific finding, and explaining the rationale for rejecting any findings within 60 days. Contains an emergency clause and is effective immediately upon passage.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 61, Laws 2025 (SB1120 - Assessor's valuations; special districts; petitions)

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Adds the term “total limited” before references to “assessed valuation” and makes other clarifying verbiage edits to the text of the legislation.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1121 - Property tax; limited value; methodology~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires the county assessor to determine the level or percentage of full cash value to be established pursuant to this legislation using either all parcels in the county that are of the same or similar user classification, or parcels in each market established by the county assessor in the county that are of the same or similar use or classification.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/03/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

Ch. 16, Laws 2025 (SB1122 - Property tax exemptions; inflation adjustment)

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADR) to calculate by December 31 of each year the total allowable exemption amount based on the average annual percentage increase, if any, in the GDP price deflator in the two most recent complete state fiscal years, and, starting in 2025, based on the average annual percentage increase, if any, in the “Federal House Price Index” (defined) for the two most recent complete fiscal years, and the total income limits amount to qualify for an exemption, as defined by law, to be based on the average annual percentage increase, if any, in the GOP price deflator in the two most recent complete state fiscal years.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1123 - Watermark; paper ballots~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Mark Finchem (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires any vendor that provides fraud countermeasures that are contained in and on the paper used for ballots to be ISO 27001 certified, ISO 17025 certified, or ISO 9001:2015 certified. Defines what constitutes ballot fraud countermeasures.

~~Last Action:~~ 04/18/2025 G - Vetoed

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

~~SB1128 - Air quality; causation; state boundaries~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to consider the best interest of the taxpayer, and factors that affect air quality including

~~both transportation emissions that originate outside of Arizona and the effects of solar radiation and any associated heat increases, when considering any revisions to the State Implementation Plan. Permits the Arizona Attorney General to file suit on behalf of Arizona against any person outside of Arizona whose emissions result in damages to the air quality of Arizona. Lists and describes the various penalties, fees and awards a court may assess against an individual or organization that is found guilty of producing emissions that harm air quality in Arizona.~~

~~**Last Action:** 03/25/2025 H - FAILED - House Natural Resources, Energy & Water
COP Position: Monitor~~

SB1134 – NOW: county water augmentation authorities; bond

Sponsor: Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary: Modifies powers and duties, financial provisions and revenue bonding provisions for county water augmentation authorities.

Last Action: 04/14/2025 S - Transmit to Senate

COP Position: Neutral

SB1145 - Community facilities districts; prompt pay

Sponsor: Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary: Stipulates that after formation of the district, the county or municipality that authorized the district is liable for unpaid payments owed by the district for construction of public infrastructure. Requires the county or municipality that authorized the formation of the district to monitor progress and payments made under construction contracts with the district, may periodically audit the district's "construction contract" (defined) payments, and may require the district to pay for the county's or municipality's monitoring and auditing as well as a penalty to the county or municipality for failing to make legally required payments under a construction contract. Applies specific state statutes pertaining to the management of a construction contract and payments for a construction contract.

Last Action: 04/16/2025 H - House Majority Caucus - Y

COP Position: **Oppose**

SB1147 - Appropriations; law enforcement; records management

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Lists appropriated sums from the Arizona State General Fund for FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Administration for distribution to specific police and Sheriff's departments in specific amounts.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 H - DP - House Appropriations

COP Position: Monitor

~~**SB1149 – Appropriation; fire incident management grants**~~

~~**Sponsor:** Sen. David Gowan (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Pending.~~

~~**Last Action:** 01/23/2025 S - Senate 2nd Read~~

~~**COP Position:** Pending~~

SB1151 – NOW: housing grant program; veterans; fund

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Establishes the Housing Grant Program to construct military transitional, veteran, affordable and homeless housing in Arizona to be administered by the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH). Outlines how grants are to be awarded and the entities that qualify to receive grants. Requires federal monies in the program be designated for military transitional housing by the US federal government and mandates preference be given to veteran-owned and operated organizations for the management of the program and program funds. Details how fund monies are to be spent and requires that funds be allocated for a comprehensive care facility that provides supportive housing services in the facility and via on-site outpatient medical care and behavioral health services for military members who are transitioning into civilian life. AS PASSED HOUSE

Last Action: 04/09/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 04/10/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Neutral

SB1155 - Income tax; subtraction; uniformed services

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: In computing adjusted gross income requires that compensation received for active service as a member of the Uniformed Services (changed from Armed Forces) of the United States be subtracted from Arizona gross income, effective the taxable year beginning January 1, 2025.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Monitor

SB1156 - Death benefits; burial costs

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Limits the death benefit burial cost to \$10,000, from \$5000. Requires a death benefit of no more than \$800 to be paid in the event of death of a dependent before the expiration of a title named in any award. Applies retroactively to January 1, 2024 for the spouses of “first responders” (defined).

Last Action: 04/29/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 04/30/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Monitor

SB1157 - Workers' compensation; death benefits; remarriage

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Strikes the limit of remarriage as it applies to a spouse receiving the average monthly wage of a deceased person. Applies retroactively from January 1, 2024 for the spouses of first responders

Last Action: 04/16/2025 H - House Majority Caucus - Y

COP Position: Monitor

~~SB1164 – Immigration laws; local enforcement~~

~~Sponsor:~~ ~~Sen. Warren Petersen (R)~~

Summary: ~~Appropriates a sum to be named later from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the State Treasurer to distribute to the County Sheriffs offices to aid in the administration of this legislation. Appropriates a sum to be named later from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Corrections (ADC) to aid in the administration of this legislation. Requires each law enforcement agency to support the enforcement of federal immigration laws. Stipulates that cooperation between law enforcement and federal immigration efforts must be within the scope of an individual's official duties and employment definition. Permits law enforcement officials or agencies at the state, city, town, or other political subdivision of Arizona, to enter into memorandums of agreement with the United States government and requires that before January 2, 2026, each law enforcement agency shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement office. List data collection, reporting, and training requirements. Defines how law enforcement agencies must process individuals in their custody who have immigration detainer requests and lists the actions or activities a law enforcement agency is not required to perform, the memorandum of agreement notwithstanding. Defines the relationship between the ADC and federal immigration law enforcement and lists information that must be included in any agreement between the two. This legislation is retroactive to December 31, 2024, possesses severability as needed and is entitled the "Arizona Immigration, Cooperation, and Enforcement Act" or the "Arizona ICE Act."~~

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G — Vetoed

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1182 – NOW: municipalities; counties; construction hours

Sponsor: Sen. Analise Ortiz (D)

Summary: Requires the landlord or an individual working on the landlord's behalf to disclose to a tenant in writing at or before the commencement of the tenancy, the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address for the person authorized to manage the premises, including the manager's physical address for location at which the tenant may contact the manager, which will be in reasonable proximity to the rental premises, and the owner or their representative, and a physical address for location that is open and accessible during business hours. Requires the information above to be updated and kept current and furnished to all tenants without requiring a request from a tenant, but shall be refurnished upon request.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 S - PASSED - Senate Final Reading

COP Position: Monitor

~~SB1185 – Homeless; restrooms; water; statewide preemption~~

Sponsor: Sen. Analise Ortiz (D)

Summary: ~~Counties and municipalities are required to provide 24-hour daily access to county-maintained or municipality-maintained public restrooms and potable water for use by homeless individuals.~~

Last Action: 02/20/2025 S — FAILED — Senate Government

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1198 - Animal cruelty; classification

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Stipulates which type of illegal action towards an animal qualifies as a class 4 felony and requires that a person convicted of those violations shall be sentenced to no less than one year in prison and is not eligible for probation where suspension of execution of sentence.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 H - DPA - House Additional Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Monitor

SB1208 – NOW: home consumption items; tax exemptions

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Exempts tax on retail and use tax for home consumption items, including specified vegetables and products, beginning July 1, 2027. Restricts a city, town or other taxing jurisdiction from levying a transaction privilege, sales, use, franchise or other similar tax or fee on the sale for human consumption of specified products.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DPA/SE - House Transportation & Infrastructure

COP Position: Pending

SB1212 - Biosolids; land application; immunity

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Agriculture (ADA) to require agricultural lessees of Arizona to comply with applicable local ordinances, state and federal in generally accepted farming practices on state lands, including rules and laws governing fertilizers, biosolids, and soil amendments. Prohibits the ADA from restricting the use of fertilizers, biosolids, or soil amendments, as a condition of renewing the lease of state lands if the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has not issued a finding that the lessee's use of state land is in violation of state law. Requires the lessee to provide the ADA a copy of all applicable permits and registration from the ADEQ. Lists exemptions from liability. Requires that rules adopted relating to the land application of sewage sludge must not conflict with rules related to the application of biosolids to agricultural land. Requires that rules adopted for best management practices for specific agricultural activities include requirements for the application of biosolids to agricultural land and stipulates that any rules that are adopted consider certain criteria related to the impact of biosolids on the surrounding community. Requires that before ADEQ adopts any rules pursuant to this legislation, ADEQ show visit in person an agricultural operation that will be affected by the updated rules, no less than two times during the time that the agricultural operation is actively applying biosolids to the agricultural operations lands. Self-repeals on January 1, 2027.

Last Action: 04/02/2025 H - RET ON CAL - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Monitor

Ch. 65, Laws 2025 (SB1220 - Victims' rights; audio recordings; appeal)

Sponsor: Sen. Shawwna Bolick (R)

Summary: Adds audio recordings and video recordings to the list of items that the victim, or immediate family member of the victim if the victim is killed or incapacitated,

has the right to receive. Permits a victim to appeal a denial to access a public record pursuant to this legislation through a special action within the criminal case.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

SB1221 - China; public funds; divestment

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Prohibits a publicly managed fund to hold an “investment” (defined) In the government of or a businesses that is controlled by, has interest in, or is headquartered in the People’s Republic of China (China). Defines exceptions and exemptions to this mandate and requires any publicly managed fund divest itself of any investment in China or any business that is owned, operated or influenced by China, as soon as is practicable. Requires a publicly managed fund to perform research to identify investments that would be in violation of this legislation. Provides immunity and liability protection to any employee of a publicly managed fund that is seeking to gain compliance with this legislation. Stipulates that this legislation applies to any private equity or venture capital investments entered into or renewed from and after the effective date of this act.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1222 – Internal revenue code; conformity~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~For the purpose of Title 42 (Taxation) for the purposes of computing income tax for taxable years staring January 1, 2024, the “Internal Revenue Code” means the US Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, including 2023 provisions with specific adoption of retroactive effective dates, but including no changes after January 1, 2024 and provisions that are retroactively effective during 2023.~~

~~Last Action:~~ ~~02/26/2025 S – Hearing Scheduled – 02/27/2025 – Third Reading, Senate Floor~~

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Neutral~~

~~SB1223 – ACJC; continuation~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~The statutory life of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission is extended 5 months to January 1, 2034. Retroactive to July 1, 2025.~~

~~Last Action:~~ ~~02/12/2025 S – HELD – Senate Judiciary and Elections~~

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

SB1224 - Property tax; limited property value

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Requires a limited property value to be established at a level of percentage of full cash value that is comparable to other properties of the same or similar use, including property that previously qualified for property valuation protection, pursuant to the constitution of Arizona, if the title to the property is conveyed to a person that does not qualify for property valuation protection, or the current owner of the property no

longer qualifies, or did not reapply for property valuation protection, or the property that previously qualified for “statutory valuation” (defined) and no longer qualifies.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1228 – Residential developments; new regulations; moratorium~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits a governing body of a municipality from adopting or enforcing a new regulation, standard, stipulation, or other requirement on the development of a new single-family home, subdivision plat or planned area development unless it is designed to protect public health and safety or reduce the cost of construction of new housing developments. This legislation will remain in effect until July 1, 2029.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 S – Senate Minority Caucus – Y

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

SB1229 - Planning; home design; restrictions; prohibition

Sponsor: Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

Summary: Prohibits a municipality from interfering with a home buyer's right to choose the features, amenities, structure, floor plan, and interior and exterior design of a home. Prohibits, in accordance with state law, a municipality from requiring a shared feature or amenity that would require a Management Association to maintain or operate the feature or amenity, unless required by federal law, screening, walls, or fences, and private streets or roads. Prohibits a municipality from adopting, or enforcing any code, ordinance, regulation, standard, stipulation, or other legal requirement establishing directly or indirectly maximum or minimum lot sizes or minimum square footage or dimensions for a single family home, provided certain, listed criteria is met, minimum or maximum lot coverage for a single family home and any accessory structures, minimum building setbacks for a single family home provided certain criteria is met, or design, architectural or aesthetic elements for a single family home, except for a single family home on land that is designated as a district of historical significance pursuant to state law or in an area that is designated as historic on the National Register of Historic Places. Provides that this section does not supersede applicable building codes, “fire codes” (defined), or public health and safety regulations, and does not apply to lots or parcels that are located on tribal land, on land in a high noise or aircraft potential zone or ancillary military facility, as defined by state law. Entitled this legislation the “Arizona Starter’s Homes Act.”

Last Action: 04/08/2025 H - House Majority Caucus - Y

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1232 - Issuance; affidavit; arrest warrant

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Requires a magistrate to issue an arrest warrant after determining that an affidavit sworn to or affirmed before the magistrate contains sufficient facts establishing probable cause that a specific felony offense has been committed and that a particular person committed that offense.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 S - Transmit to Senate

COP Position: Support

SB1233 - School safety; proposals; assessments; plans

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Requires each school district or charter school that employs one or more officers on one or more school campuses through the School Safety Program, to train each “officer” (defined) in how to recognize and effectively interact with children with disabilities as defined by state law. Permits the School Safety Program To support the costs of purchasing safety technology, safety training, and infrastructure improvements for school campuses. Requires a plan to provide blueprints and floor plans, and school safety assessments, for each school site to local law enforcement, a plan regarding how to use school safety officers with other officers within schools, and a plan for training officers in standard operating procedures, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, civil rights and adolescent mental health issues, to be included in a School Safety Program proposal. Stipulates that if a school district or charter school whose proposal was approved by the Arizona State Board of Education (Board), cannot place individuals in open positions as approved, the school district or charter school may submit an alternative proposal for using alternatives to address the shortfall in manpower, and lists the topics that must be included in the proposal. Requires the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) to review and administer program proposals and to use recommended statistics to assess the needs of each program proposal, as well as site visits, to verify the accuracy of the information contained in the proposals. Permits the ADE to approve all or part of a safety plan proposal.

Last Action: 04/22/2025 H - DPA - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Monitor

~~SB1234 – Animal cruelty; failure to treat~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Shawwna Bolick (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Strikes the word “protracted” and replaces it with “unreasonable” pertaining to failing to provide medical attention necessary to an animal under a person’s custody or control. Modifies the definition of “Cruel Neglect” (defined) and list the criteria that would apply to that definition. Includes birds, reptiles, or amphibians, under the definition of domestic animal.~~

~~Last Action:~~ 03/26/2025 H – HELD – House Judiciary

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

SB1236 – NOW: Storm Water

Sponsor: Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary: Allows the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to issue a storage permit if the proposed source of water is stormwater that will be recharged for aquifer replenishment in a constructed, underground facility. Defines how stormwater is to be stored, permitted, and how various water related credits are to be counted and applied. Permits the ADWR to issue permits to underground storage facilities solely for stormwater storage, or for a combination of water sources.

Last Action: 04/24/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 04/29/2025 - Final Reading, Senate Floor

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1243 – Open meetings; call to public~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

~~Summary:~~ Outlines the process, permissions, mandatory schedule, Prohibitions, and management of open calls that a public body makes at a public meeting. Stipulates that official business does not include a prayer, pledge, or recognition of a person or organization.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/03/2025 H – Referred to Committee – Government

~~COP Position:~~ Pending

SB1256 - Diversity; equity; inclusion; training; prohibition

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: Prohibits Arizona, or an agency, board, Commission, or department of Arizona from using diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) programs for hiring, training, or promotional purposes, or require an employee to engage in a “DEI program” (defined) or require participation in a DEI program as a condition of a contract. Requires the Arizona Department of Administration (ADA) to monitor the hiring practices of Arizona’s agencies, boards, commissions, or departments, and ensure that DEI programs are not used to hire, train or promote any employee.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Vetoes

COP Position: Oppose

~~SB1260 – Assured water supply; agricultural water~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

~~Summary:~~ Adds an alternative of specific areas being served by an agricultural water company while meeting other listed criteria as a reason for being granted an Assured Water Supply.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/05/2025 S – HELD – Senate Natural Resources

~~COP Position:~~ Oppose

~~SB1270 – Driving; animals on lap; prohibition~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits the operation of a vehicle while an animal is on the operator's lap. Sets the civil penalty for violating this requirement, starting January 1, 2026, to be at least \$75 but not more than \$149 for first violation, and at least \$150 but not more than \$250 for a second or subsequent violation. Prohibits any department or agency of Arizona from using a violation of this legislation to be caused to suspend or revoke a driver's license.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 S – Senate Minority Caucus – Y

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

~~SB1274 – Tax corrections act of 2025~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

~~Summary:~~ Prohibits any employee, agent, or contractor of the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADR) from preparing any Arizona tax return in exchange for compensation

~~and establishes a violation of that is grounds for immediate dismissal or removal from any duties performed as an agent or contractor of the ADR. Permits a part time or seasonal employee, pursuant to state law, to have withholding deducted in the manner prescribed by law. Stipulates that gambling winnings be withheld at the highest tax rate prescribed by law. Adds a partnership that amends its return, pursuant to federal tax law as needing to file a return for the reviewed year, pursuant to state law. Stipulates that interest does not accrue and is not payable for any Arizona rebate, pursuant to this legislation. Applies retroactively to the taxable years beginning January 1, 2022 and October 30, 2023, pursuant to the definitions in this legislation.~~

~~**Last Action:** 03/25/2025 S - Transmit to Senate~~

~~**COP Position:** Neutral~~

SB1282 - Aggravated unlawful flight; law enforcement

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Establishes that a driver of a motor vehicle commits aggravated unlawful flight from a pursuing law enforcement vehicle if the driver willfully operates a motor vehicle in a manner that recklessly endangers the life of another person while attempting to flee or elude a pursuing official law enforcement vehicle that is either appropriately marked and operated in a manner permitted for law enforcement vehicles; or unmarked, and the driver either admits to knowing that the vehicle was an official law enforcement vehicle, or evidence shows that the driver knew that the vehicle was an official law enforcement vehicle. Classifies aggravated unlawful flight from a pursuing law enforcement vehicle as a class 4 felony. Classifies aggravated unlawful flight from a pursuing law enforcement vehicle as a class 2 felony if the violation results in a serious physical injury to another; at the time of the offense the driver was transporting a minor under 15 years old; or at the time of the offense the driver was driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Stipulates that a person convicted for any aggravated unlawful flight offense is not eligible for probation, pardon, commutation or suspension of sentence or release on any other basis until the person has served at least four months in prison

Last Action: 04/22/2025 H - DP - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Neutral

SB1285 - Appropriation; wildfire readiness and response

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$12,500,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management to award grants to fire districts for wildfire readiness and response. Prioritizes how the money is to be disbursed, allocated and spent.

Last Action: 03/24/2025 H - DP - House Land, Agriculture & Rural Affairs

COP Position: Neutral

SB1287 - PSPRS; part-time employment

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Modified the definition of "credited service" to include those compensated periods of a member's part-time service, calculated on a pro rata basis, during which

the member made contributions to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement Fund (Fund). Modifies the definition of “member” to include part-time employees whose employer allowed them to participate provided they met certain criteria.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 S - PASSED - Senate Final Reading

COP Position: Support

~~SB1288 – Police vehicles; inspection; requirements~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. David Gowan (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires a vehicle to be inspected annually, and at the time of the inspection the manufacture date must be 10 years or less, and the vehicle must have 115,000 miles or less on the odometer for the vehicle to qualify as an authorized emergency vehicle operated as a police vehicle in a patrol capacity by a law enforcement agency.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/18/2025 S - HELD - Senate Appropriations

~~COP Position:~~ Oppose

SB1297 - Appropriation; fire incident management grants

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$6,500,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Administration (ADA) for a fire incident grant program. Restricts administrative costs to \$250,000 of the entire amount of monies and directs the remaining funds to be used to provide grants to municipal fire departments and districts for hardware and software tools Defines the required functionalities of any hardware and software. Permits each fire department and district in Arizona to submit a grant request to the ADA for the cost of an incident management system that meet all the stated requirements. Defines the process of allocating grants and the intended scope of each grant.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DPA - House Appropriations

COP Position: Support

~~SB1298 – Property tax exemption; religious activities~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

~~Summary:~~ Directs that property or buildings owned by a nonprofit organization that are used primarily for “religious-related activities” be tax exempt.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 S - Senate Minority Caucus - Y

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

SB1299 - Law enforcement personnel; grant program

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary: Appropriates the sum of \$2,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS) for the Law Enforcement Personnel Grant Program (Program,) as added by this legislation. States that the appropriation is exempt from lapsing of appropriations provisions. Establishes the Program to reimburse a “law enforcement agency” (Defined) in Arizona that have officers participate in a federal immigration training program and directs the ADPS to

administer the grant management process. Defines what the grants may cover and lists criteria necessary to maintain compliance with the grant requirements.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 H - DPA/SE - House Appropriations

COP Position: Monitor

~~SB1304 – Irrigation water; assured water supply~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Permits the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR), upon application to the ADWR by a city or town, to designate a portion of the municipality that is located in an active management area, and that the ADWR determines is making sufficient progress towards meeting the management goals of the Area for three to five years before the filing of the application, as having an Assured Water Supply if certain, listed stipulations are met.~~

~~Last Action:~~ 03/06/2025 S – RETAINED – Senate Committee of the Whole

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

SB1306 - Appropriation; crime victim notification fund

Sponsor: Sen. Hildy Angius (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$2,596,840 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Law Enforcement Crime Victim Notification Fund. Exempts this appropriation from lapsing of appropriations provisions.

Last Action: 03/19/2025 H - DP - House Judiciary

COP Position: Neutral

SB1307 - Advanced air mobility infrastructure

Sponsor: Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to develop a statewide plan or update the statewide aviation plan to include vertiports and electric aircraft charging stations, and the infrastructure needs of advances in aviation technology. Requires ADOT to designate a person with expertise in advanced air mobility within ADOT as a resource for local and regional jurisdictions that are developing advances in aviation technology, including an electric power lift aircraft and electric aircraft. Requires ADOT to provide educational materials to local and regional decision-makers on the benefits of electric power lift aircraft and the advancements in aviation technology and local and regional jurisdictions with a guidebook and technical resources to support uniform planning and zoning requirements across Arizona that are related to powerlifted aircraft, electric aircrafts, and advances in aviation technology. Prohibits any political subdivision of Arizona from enacting any ordinance, regulation, or rule relating to advanced air mobility, the ownership of an advanced air mobility aircraft, or the aerial operation of an advanced air mobility aircraft, accepting a political subdivision of Arizona that controls or owns an airport, who then may adopt any of the above Regarding the takeoff, operation, or landing of an advanced air mobility aircraft, to apply within the geographic boundaries of the airport the political subdivision controls. Stipulates that this legislation applies only to electric aircraft, including eCTOL, eVtol, and a powered lift aircraft with a gross takeoff weight of 300lbs or more, and the capability of carrying passengers, as defined by state law.

Last Action: 04/21/2025 H - DPA - House Additional Committee of the Whole
COP Position: Oppose

Ch. 66, Laws 2025 (SB1308 - Sober living homes)

Sponsor: Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary: Requires a municipality to establish a procedure by which a deviation from requirements for distance pertaining to a “sober living home” (defined) or building or fire code requirements for sober living homes, may be granted as a reasonable accommodation under the Fair Housing Act. Prohibits the reclassification of a single-family home under a local building or fire code, solely because the single-family home is the subject of a “license” (defined) application for a sober living home. Adds behavioral health professionals to the list of entities prohibited from taking any type of cash gift or incentive, in return for referring patients to or from a sober living home or a substance use disorder treatment facility or accepting or acknowledging the enrollment of a patient for substance use disorder services at a sober living home. Adds the requirements of a sober living home to the list of policies and rules the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) is required to develop. Defines the documentation a sober living home must maintain pertaining to its building and operation. Requires onsite inspections by ADHS in specific, listed circumstances. Authorizes ADHS to investigate specific allegations of noncompliance by a sober living home with state regulations, and to issue penalties, up to the suspension or revocation of a sober living home license, fines, or any other action allowed by state law. Defines security requirements, permissions, and prohibitions related to licensing sober living homes. Effective date is six months after the passage of this legislation.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Support

~~**SB1313 - Municipalities; counties; recycling; prohibition**~~

~~**Sponsor:** Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Prohibits any county or municipality to recommend or require a resident place any product in a recycling bin if the product is not being “actively recycled” (defined) as of the effective date of this legislation.~~

~~**Last Action:** 03/03/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Government - House Government~~

~~**COP Position:** Oppose~~

SB1318 - Income tax rate; reduction; surplus

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: For each tax year beginning with 2026, the Department of Revenue is required to reduce the individual income tax rate for the current tax year so that the amount of the rate reduction is equal to that tax year's "Arizona taxpayer return," defined as 50 percent of the "structural surplus" (defined) for the immediately following fiscal year.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Oppose

SB1319 - Election officer certification training; yearly

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Prohibits the Secretary of State from issuing an election officer's certificate after June 1 of any general election year and provides that an election officer's certificate expires on December 31 in the year after the general election. Permits county chairpersons from the two largest parties to designate for the Officer In Charge of Elections qualified electors to serve as signature verification evaluators and establishes designee selection alternatives, training requirements for the designees, accommodations, compensation and party restrictions on naming designees. Contains an emergency clause.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

SB1331 - Income tax subtraction; capital gains

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Strikes references to net long-term capital gain included in federal gross income for the taxable year derived from an investment in an asset during specific date ranges. Stipulates that beginning January 1, 2025, the tax rate is 25 percent of the net long-term capital gain included in federal adjusted gross income.

Last Action: 03/12/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1334 - Voting locations; emergency designation; electioneering~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Removes the following requirements that delineate that the county recorder or election officer must post a public list of any sites designated as emergency polling places—along with the reasons for that designation and attempts made to secure alternatives—at least two weeks before election day, and that if a site is not on the emergency designation list, the facility must allow political activity outside the seventy-five-foot zone, and that should an emergency arise after the initial posting, the county recorder or election officer is required to update the list promptly with the relevant details.~~

~~Last Action:~~ 03/05/2025 S - RETAINED - Senate Additional Committee of the Whole

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

SB1345 - Ambulances; response times; rates

Sponsor: Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary: Stipulates that a Certificate of Necessity is not needed for a city, town, county, fire district, or health service district, when expending monies to budget for and expend funds to participate in emergency paramedic programs and intergovernmental agreements. Requires each air ambulance service to file and maintain a current rate schedule with the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). Permits ADHS to establish new rate categories based on current standards of care or scope of practice, and for existing certificate of necessity holders to apply to add the new rates to their existing rate structure. Specifies in certain conditions who the holder of a certificate of necessity is, and what entity is secondary. Strikes the option for an additional review each six-year period to assess response times and rates and lists the criteria that must

be factored into evaluating response time. Defines administrative tasks ADHS must complete while managing certificate of necessity applications.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DPA/SE - House Transportation & Infrastructure

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1349 – Software licensing contracts; requirements~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. David Gowan (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires that a contract entered into by a “public agency” (defined) for the licensure of software applications designed to run on generally available desktop or server hardware, must be able to be installed and run on the hardware of the agencies choosing. Stipulates that this legislation applies to any contract or addendum entered into on the effective date of the legislation forward.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 S – Senate Consent Calendar – Object: Yes

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

~~SB1352 – Rezoning; administrative act; referral prohibited~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. David Gowan (R)

~~Summary:~~ Classifies any rezoning approved by a legislative body, governing body, or county Board of Supervisors pursuant to this legislation as an “administrative act” and is not subject to the filing of a referendum petition by a person or organization, provided it adheres to listed criteria.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/11/2025 S – Senate Minority Caucus – Y

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

SB1353 - Municipal development; permits; review

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Stipulates that if a municipality does not approve, conditionally approve, or respond with required additions or revisions to an application for a single-family residential building permit within 15 working days after the date of the application, a required review of the application may be performed by a qualified third party selected by the applicant pursuant to this legislation. Permits a third-party inspection if a municipality does not inspect a single-family residential dwelling unit within two working days after an inspection request. List the stipulations, criteria, requirements, prohibitions, and occupational achievements a third-party reviewer or inspector must possess. Defines notice requirements and prohibits a municipality from requesting or requiring an applicant to waive a deadline or other procedure. Details the appeals process for a denial of a single-family residential building permit or the results of an inspection. Provides immunity as prescribed by Arizona law to a municipality that accepts a third-party application or inspection decision. Stipulates that the applicant is responsible for any fees and costs associated with the third-party review and inspection. Lists the process of issuing, receiving, and modifying corrections requested by a municipality or authorized third party. Establishes meeting requirements and limitations of a municipality upon receiving and processing a permit application or inspection request, and the same once a permit has been granted or an inspection summary accepted, or once construction has begun and is under the directive of a building permit.

Last Action: 05/07/2025 S - PASSED - Senate Concurrence

COP Position: Neutral

SB1357 - Department of housing; continuation

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: The statutory life of the Arizona Department of Housing is extended to January 1, 2030. Retroactive to July 1, 2025. Adds information required in annual reports by the Arizona Department of Housing (ADH). Requires the ADH to develop rules covering the prohibition of the manufacture, sale or possession of narcotic or dangerous drugs as criteria for participation in grant or other funding and defines what policies and procedures must be included to be in compliance with those rules. Defines the order of priorities of spending fund monies. Requires that all programs established by the ADH and funded by the Housing Trust Fund to be reviewed and approved by the Joint Legislative Council Budget Committee. Requires the ADH to develop a comprehensive performance measurement system within 12 months after the effective date of this legislation and defines what criteria must be included in that system. Requires the ADH to report any instance of fraudulent activity involving state monies to defined state leaders within 10 business days and the ADH to initiate restitution efforts within 30 days after identifying the fraudulent activity. Defines required reports the ADH must develop and distribute to state leadership. Self-repeals on January 1, 2027 and requires the Arizona Auditor General to present an 18 month sunset report for the ADH to state and legislative leadership. AS PASSED SENATE

Last Action: 03/31/2025 H - DPA - House Appropriations

COP Position: Oppose

SB1365 - PSPRS; member contributions

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary: Prohibits a member or non-member, in a public safety risk pool, from paying more than 9.5 percent of their compensation into a risk pool and requires the member's employer to pay the difference, above 9.5 percent of the member's compensation. Effective date is July 1, 2026.

Last Action: 03/04/2025 S - Senate Minority Caucus - Y

COP Position: Oppose

SB1369 - Appropriation; law enforcement; recruitment

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$2,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS) for law enforcement recruitment and retention. Allocates \$500,000 to acquire coaching resources with an emphasis on retention, \$1,500,000 for law enforcement recruitment and retention grant programs for matching grants to county, city, and town law enforcement agencies.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 H - DP - House Appropriations

COP Position: Support

SB1370 - Commercial motor vehicles; civil penalties

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Permits a driver of a vehicle, or combination of vehicles, with a total length of at least 40 feet or a total width of at least 10 feet, while regarding other traffic, to deviate from the lane into which the driver is making a right or left turn. Defines the penalties for violating the laws pertaining to single axle load limits, weight violations and the weighing of vehicles and loads. Strikes the application of a criminal penalty for certain violations and prescribes civil penalties and monetary fines for other violations.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

SB1371 - Income tax; subtraction; retirement distribution

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Specifies that the amount of any distributions from a "pension" (defined) or "retirement account" (defined) are to be subtracted from an individual's gross income if they are fifty-nine and a half years of age, or older. This legislation applies to taxable years starting on January 1, 2025.

Last Action: 03/28/2025 H - Removed from Hearing Agenda - 03/31/2025, 1:00 PM - House RULES, HHR 4

COP Position: Oppose

SB1393 – NOW: groundwater replenishments; Pinal AMA

Sponsor: Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary: Exempts metallurgical processing permits from this legislation. Strikes the date the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) must provide rules to implement this legislation. Prohibits the ADWR or a political subdivision of Arizona from requiring owners of subdivided lands to pay for a water source to reduce groundwater demands incurred off the owner's parcel as a condition for receiving a Certificate of Assured Water Supply or a Written Commitment of water Service from a municipality or private water company that possesses said designation. Adds the Pinal Active Management Area to the provision related to retaining a replenishment obligation. Prohibits, for lands that are subdivided after the date of the Pinal designation, a municipal provider to require the owners of those lands to provide or pay for a water source to reduce a replenishment obligation the municipal provider incurs for lands other than the owner's subdivided lands. AS PASSED SENATE

Last Action: 04/24/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 04/29/2025 - Final Reading, Senate Floor

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1407 – Property tax assessment; greenhouses~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Permits a "greenhouse" (defined) to be valued and assessed as agricultural tangible personal property if the greenhouse is at least 50,000 square feet in area, is composed of movable and detachable components, can be reconstructed and reused after removal, and is used for growing and processing vegetables, fruits or citrus.~~

~~Last Action:~~ ~~03/07/2025 S – Hearing Scheduled – 03/10/2025 – Committee of the Whole, Senate Floor~~

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

SB1432 - Prohibition; geoengineering**Sponsor:** Sen. David C. Farnsworth (R)**Summary:** Repeals ARS Title 45, Chapter 9, Weather Control and Cloud Modification. Pursuant to state law, prohibits a person from intentionally injecting, releasing, or dispensing, by any means, any chemical, chemical compound, substance or apparatus within the borders of Arizona with the express purpose of affecting temperature, weather or the intensity of sunlight.**Last Action:** 03/18/2025 H - DP - House Regulatory Oversight**COP Position:** Oppose**~~SB1434 - Attorney discipline; jury trial~~****~~Sponsor:~~** Sen. Mark Finchem (R)**~~Last Action:~~** 02/12/2025 S - DP - Senate Judiciary and Elections**~~COP Position:~~** Neutral**SB1435 - Attorney discipline investigations; costs****Sponsor:** Sen. Mark Finchem (R)**Summary:** Requires in an attorney discipline matter, if an attorney who is the subject of the charge prevails, the State Bar of Arizona is responsible to the attorney for any attorney fees, loss of earnings, and court costs. Mandates that loss of earnings be calculated during the period that covers all stages of the investigation and discipline process, and, if applicable, any court litigation and appeal. Permits the attorney to file a claim against the State Bar of Arizona if the attorney suffers damage to the attorney's reputation because of the charges.**Last Action:** 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor**COP Position:** Monitor**SB1444 – NOW: Domestic water improvement districts; hauling (Helium exploration; aquifer protection permit)****Sponsor:** Sen. Janae Shamp (R)**Summary:** Exempts helium exploration and production wells that are designed to not discharge a contaminant into an aquifer from the Aquifer Protection Permit Requirement. Exempts the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality from rulemaking requirements for one year after the effective date of this legislation.**Last Action:** 05/01/2025 S - Transmit to Senate**COP Position:** Monitor**SB1448 - Appropriation; on-farm irrigation efficiency fund****Sponsor:** Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)**Summary:** Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Fund. Exempts this appropriation from lapsing of appropriations provisions.**Last Action:** 05/07/2025 S - Transmit to Senate**COP Position:** Support**SB1449 - Lifetime injunction; undesignated offenses**

Sponsor: Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

Summary: Requires that until a court determines an offense is a misdemeanor or felony, all offenses be treated as felonies for the purpose of issuing a lifetime injunction pursuant to state law. Stipulates that any misdemeanor conviction that is set aside or sealed pursuant to state law, does not affect the validity of a lifetime injunction.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 70, Laws 2025 (SB1461 - Law enforcement officers; probation; termination)

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Payne (R)

Summary: Prohibits firing a law enforcement officer who is promoted and placed on probationary status for failing to satisfactorily complete the Law Enforcement Officer's probationary period. Permits an employer to demote that individual and to fire any officer at any time with just cause.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

SB1462 - Computer-generated pictorial representations; unlawful disclosure

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Exempts computer-generated pictorial representations from privacy expectations on the part of people in the pictorial, involving unlawful disclosure of images depicting states of nudity or specific sexual activities.

Last Action: 04/29/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Support

SB1464 - Tax laws; interpretation; application; hearing

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Requires the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADR) to inform the Chairpersons of the Arizona Senate Finance Committee and Arizona House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee, or their successors, if a proposed new interpretation or application of any ARS pertaining to taxation or income taxation will adversely affect taxpayers. Permits the Chairpersons of those two committees to hold a hearing on the proposed new interpretation or application and recommend that the ADR accept or reject the proposal. Permits the new interpretation or application to take effect if the legislature is in session and neither committee Chairpersons initiates a hearing within 60 days. If the notice is received when the legislature is out of session, a hearing must be held within 60 days of the next legislative session, or the interpretation or application takes effect.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G – Signed

COP Position: Oppose

SB1496 - Tax credit; qualifying charitable organizations

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: Requires that a charitable organizations certification include a statement that the organization intends to continue to direct or spend at least 50 percent of its

budget on “services” (defined) to residents of Arizona. Redefines several definitions pertaining to the function and role of charitable organizations.

Last Action: 04/09/2025 H - RET ON CAL - House Committee of the Whole

COP Position: Neutral

SB1518 - Subsequent AMAs; groundwater portability

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Defines the rights, permissions, and prohibitions related to irrigation grandfathered rights, and transferred associated water duties. Defines notice requirements for an owner of an irrigation grandfathered right who proposes to sell, transfer, use or lease the right and associated water duty. Defines the format of the form that must be used by the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) and requires the ADWR to adopt rules for the implementation of flexibility accounts or similar accounting methods to aid in the implementation of this legislation.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

SB1521 - Unbuilt certificates; assured water supply

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Permits a person to sell, aggregate, or transfer and unbuilt Certificate of Assured Water Supply separate from an original lot or parcels, where the certificate was granted subject to certain listed conditions. Permits a person to sell, transfer or aggregate an unbuilt Certificate of Assured Water Supply if the Certificate is to be served by a municipal provider, without regard to where the municipal provider would have acquired the water to serve the unbuilt subdivision that received the original Certificate of Assured Water Supply. Requires a person who conducts a transaction related to this legislation to notify the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) on a form designed and produced by the ADWR, and that includes specific, listed information.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Oppose

~~**SB1522 - Waterlogged area; exemption area**~~

~~**Sponsor:** Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)~~

~~**Summary:** Requires the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to determine whether the withdrawal of up to 10,000 acre-feet of groundwater by a municipal provider pursuant to state law and through 2034, from the area delineated meets certain requirements. Applies retroactively to January 1, 1989.~~

~~**Last Action:** 03/03/2025 S - DPA - Senate Committee of the Whole~~

~~**COP Position:** Oppose~~

SB1523 - Water use; prohibition; landscaping

Sponsor: Sen. Timothy "Tim" Dunn (R)

Summary: Prohibits a municipality that is located within an “Active Management Area” (defined) that has a management goal of “safe-yield” (defined), from adopting or enforcing any code, ordinance, rule, regulation, standard, stipulation, or other

requirement that directly or indirectly requires specific numbers, sizes, percentages, amounts, or areas of listed structures or environments. Prohibits a municipality located in an Initial Active Management Area from requiring minimum turf requirements with specific exceptions, or the installation of plants that are not included on the low-water use and drought-tolerant plant list published by the Arizona Department of Water Resources. Contains an emergency clause.

Last Action: 4/05/01/2025 S - Transmit to Senate

COP Position: Oppose

SB1529 - Municipal housing; preapproved design

Sponsor: Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary: Requires a municipality to establish standard, pre-approved, housing design plans that consists of at least three different elevation options, and defines the criteria that must go into various classes of housing design plans.

Last Action: 04/11/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 04/14/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

Position: Monitor

SB1530 - Groundwater storage facility; withdrawals; area

Sponsor: Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary: Establishes that for the purpose of subdivision, if a recovery well permit applicant does not submit a separate hydrologic study to the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR,) the ADWR Must assume that the recovery well is located within the area of impact of stored water if the recovery well location is within one mile of specific, listed, structures or boundaries.

Last Action: 04/24/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 04/29/2025 - Final Reading, Senate Floor

COP Position: Oppose

SB1533 - Personal information: confidentiality; judge's families

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary: Makes it unlawful to knowingly disclose the personal information of a family member of a judge, justice, commissioner or hearing officer who has the same full name, in any form, if doing so poses a threat to their safety.

Last Action: 03/25/2025 H - House Majority Caucus - Y

COP Position: Neutral

SB1536 - Cities and towns; primary elections

Sponsor: Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary: Stipulates that a candidate for a new term of office may not be declared elected to the new term of office until the resolution of any election contest.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

SB1540 - Personal property exemptions; vehicles

Sponsor: Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary: Adds mobile and motor homes to the list of vehicles and dwellings that can qualify as a Homestead. Addresses divorced couples and how to manage Homestead Exemptions. Stipulates that a Homestead Exemption does not attach to a person's interest in identifiable cash proceeds from refinancing the Homestead Property. Permits a party to rely on the valuation of the property in the final closing document disclosure used for a transaction to establish the estimate amount of equity in a Homestead property that is sold, or where the owner is receiving cash back from refinancing. Repeals ARS 2021, Chapter 368, Section 3.

Last Action: 05/02/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

SB1542 - Personal property exemption; money proceeds

Sponsor: Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary: Exempts from execution, attachment, or sale on any process all money received by or payable to a surviving spouse or child on the life of the deceased spouse, parent or legal guardian of not more than \$20,000 and all federal or state personal income tax credits from any federal or state earned income tax credits, or federal or state child tax credits. Sets the formula for determining the value of the exemption. Sets a limit on the exemption amount a person can claim if they meet certain, listed criteria.

Last Action: 04/16/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 04/17/2025 - Caucus, House Floor

COP Position: Oppose

Ch. 74, Laws 2025 (SB1543 - Ancillary use; international headquarters campus (Homestead exemption; equity increase))

Sponsor: Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary: Prescribes specified requirements for municipal ancillary use and multifamily residential housing. Directs a municipality of 200,000 or more but less than 500,000 persons to allow hotel use and multifamily residential housing as an allowed ancillary use in a zoning district that permits light industrial use without requiring any type of application needing a public hearing if the ancillary use is located within an international headquarters campus.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

Ch. 73, Laws 2025 (SB1551 - Workers' compensation; disability; definitions)

Sponsor: Sen. Venden "Vince" Leach (R)

Summary: Expands the definition of "interested party" to include third-party administrators or any other representative, ensuring they can access relevant information on a worker's compensation case. Adds dental care and related supplies to the Commission's fee schedule for injured employees, and it exempts from standard procurement rules any contracts needed to develop and publish that dental fee schedule. Requires the Industrial Commission to publish its updated fee schedule online rather than in the Administrative Register, making it more readily available to stakeholders. Raises the monthly supplemental allowance paid to employees with

dependents during total disability from \$25 to \$100, thereby increasing financial support for injured workers and their families.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Monitor

SB1558 - Water technology study committee

Sponsor: Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary: Establishes the Water Technology Study Committee and defines its membership, mission, responsibilities and scope of work. Requires the Committee to develop and submit a report by December 31, 2026, regarding Committee activities with recommendations and establishes the distribution list for that report. Self-repeals on January 1, 2027.

Last Action: 05/01/2025 H - FAILED - House Third Reading

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1560 - Referendums; strict compliance~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Venden "Vince" Leach (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Permits the Arizona Secretary of State or other officer in charge of elections to enforce strict compliance with the constitutional and statutory requirements for referendum. Defines how to process a "complete and correct" (defined) petition and requires the Arizona Secretary of State to provide a written statement of reasons for the rejection of any request for a petition serial number Within two business days after the rejection of the petition application.~~

~~Last Action:~~ ~~03/11/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Federalism, Military Affairs & Elections - House Federalism, Military Affairs & Elections~~

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Support~~

~~SB1584 - Public employees; merit; hiring practices~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

~~Summary:~~ ~~Prohibits Arizona or a political subdivision of Arizona from establishing any policies or practices requiring employees to be hired based on anything other than the "merit" (defined) of the employee. Permits the Arizona Attorney General, a County Attorney, or any other person, to file for declaratory relief, injunctive relief, or damages for any violation of this legislation. Stipulates that the party that prevails in an action against Arizona or a political subdivision of Arizona pursuant to this legislation, is entitled to costs and reasonable attorney fees. Stipulates that this section does not contradict any Arizona laws or federal employment laws that prohibit discriminatory practices.~~

~~Last Action:~~ ~~04/18/2025 G - Vetoed~~

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

Ch. 75, Laws 2025 (SB1585 - Sexual abuse; dangerous crimes; children)

Sponsor: Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

Summary: Redefines "dangerous crime against children" (defined) To include a crime that is committed against a person posing as a minor if the defendant knew or had reason to know that the purported minor was under 15 years of age. Designates a crime

of sexual abuse where the victim is at least 15 years of age, and the accused was in a position of trust as a Class 4 Felony.

Last Action: 04/18/2025 G - Signed

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1593 – Municipal; county; measures; standing~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

~~Summary:~~ Grants any person who is a resident of an Arizona municipality or county, or any corporation, partnership, association or other legal entity conducting business in Arizona standing to institute a civil proceeding to challenge any measure that is adopted by the Governing body of the municipality and that has an “emergency clause” (defined) attached.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/11/2025 H – Referred to Committee – Government – House Government

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

~~SB1602 – Affordable housing; qualified projects; eligibility~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Venden "Vince" Leach (R)

~~Summary:~~ Stipulates that for the purposes of this legislation, the valuation of a qualified project pursuant to state law is not a reduction in state or local ad valorem property taxes.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/04/2025 S – Senate Minority Caucus – Y

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Support~~

~~SB1608 – Council members; resignation; exception~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Mark Finchem (R)

~~Summary:~~ Exempts a Council Member of a city or town who wishes to be a candidate for Mayor of that same city or town and establishes that a Council Member is not required to resign if their term of office does not coincide with the term of the of the Office of the Mayor, and may lawfully offer the Council Member's candidacy for nomination or election to the Office of the Mayor without first resigning.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 S – HELD – Senate Rules

~~COP Position:~~ Neutral

~~SB1611 – Physical availability exemption credit; groundwater~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

~~Summary:~~ Permits landowners in Active Management Areas to relinquish grandfathered irrigation rights for physical availability exemption credits. Requires the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to establish groundwater withdrawal and replenishment rules by region, throughout Arizona. Requires the ADWR to identify credit volumes, associated lands and wells. Permits credits to be assigned to municipal providers and assured water supply applications. Creates exemptions from physical availability rules if groundwater lasts 100 years without exceeding set depth limits. Requires the ADWR to approve or deny requests within 90 days and to manage administrative reviews. Stipulates that in specific circumstances, effluence can be counted as replenishment and exempts certain areas from replenishment obligations.

~~Last Action:~~ 02/24/2025 S – Senate Minority Caucus – Y

COP Position: ~~Oppose~~

SB1621 - Narcotic drugs; death; sentence enhancement

Sponsor: Sen. Carine Werner (R)

Summary: Establishes the sentence for a person convicted of selling a narcotic drug in violation of state law and the narcotic drug sold contributed to the death of another person, as a minimum of 15 calendar years, a presumptive sentence of 20 calendar years and a maximum sentence of 25 calendar years.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 05/07/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Neutral

SB1622 - Narcotic drugs; definition

Sponsor: Sen. Carine Werner (R)

Summary: Modifies the definition of “narcotic drugs” (defined) by adding new qualifying substances to the list of qualifying substances.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Neutral

~~SB1657 - Municipalities; emergency measures; vote~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

~~Summary:~~ Requires that any emergency law, ordinance, resolution or other measure be put before the voters in referendum form in the same manner as for a nonemergency measure. Requires a resolution petition be filed with the Clerk within 30 days of passage of an emergency measure and placed on a ballot. Qualifies the measure as defeated and dead if the measure does not receive support from the majority of those voting.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/12/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Government - House Government

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

~~SB1699 - NOW; air pollution; permits~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

~~Summary:~~ Minor change in Title 49 (The Environment) related to State Air Pollution Control. Apparent striker bus.

~~Last Action:~~ 03/04/2025 S - PASSED - Senate Motion to Reconsider Third

~~COP Position:~~ Monitor

~~SB1705 - Firearms; state preemption; civil penalty~~

~~Sponsor:~~ Sen. David Gowan (R)

~~Summary:~~ Permits a court to levy a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 against an elected or appointed government official or administrative agency head, if the court finds the person guilty of knowingly and willfully violating this legislation. Prohibits the use of public monies to defend or reimburse any person who has knowingly and willfully violated this legislation.

~~Last Action:~~ 05/02/2025 G - Vetoed

~~COP Position:~~ ~~Oppose~~

SB1708 – Unmanned aircraft; critical infrastructure; prohibition

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Prohibits by January 1, 2029, the ownership, use or operation of an “unmanned aircraft” (defined) that is manufactured or assembled by a “covered foreign entity” (defined) by any person, department or agency of Arizona. Lists exceptions to the prohibitions and criteria that must be met to qualify for an exemption from the prohibition. Requires the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (ADHS) and Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS) to designate “critical infrastructure” (defined) throughout Arizona and provides instruction on how to determine critical infrastructure. Exempts ADHS, ADPS, a municipal law enforcement agency and a county Sheriff’s Department from the prohibition mentioned in this legislation.

Last Action: 02/20/2025 S – HELD – Senate Government

COP Position: Monitor

SB1714 - Appropriation; civil air patrol

Sponsor: Sen. David Gowan (R)

Summary: Appropriates \$250,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS) for maintenance and operation of the Civil Air Patrol. The legislature considers the appropriation to be ongoing in future years.

Last Action: 03/31/2025 H - DP - House Appropriations

COP Position: Neutral

SB1725 - Fentanyl; nine grams

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: Revises the amount of fentanyl a person must sell to qualify for the listed sentences from 200 grams to 9 grams.

Last Action: 05/06/2025 G - Transmit to Governor

COP Position: Pending

SB1726 - Unlawful occupants; property; removal; documents

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: Includes a document that purports to convey an ownership or leasehold interest in real property as a qualifying component in being guilty of committing a Class 1 Misdemeanor. Permits a property owner to request the County Sheriff immediately remove a person who is unlawfully occupying the property in question if specific listed criteria are met. Requires the person submit an affidavit to the appropriate law enforcement agency to request immediate removal, and upon a fact finding investigation, if the law enforcement personnel involved find the conditions prescribed in this legislation are met, the law enforcement personnel is required to serve the unlawful occupant a notice to immediately vacate the property and to put the property owner into possession of the property. Permits the law enforcement agency to charge a service fee to the property owner and the property owner to stand by while the owner changes out locks and removes unwanted personal property of the unlawful occupant. Requires the owner to treat the property of the unlawful occupant pursuant to state law and permits a

person wrongfully removed to file an action against the person claiming their occupancy was unlawful and if they are successful in court, the court may award them possession of the property, costs and damages incurred, statutory damages, court costs and reasonable attorney fees. Requires the court to expedite the matter. Stipulates the person filing the action does not have a cause of action against the law enforcement personnel or agency involved.

Last Action: 04/28/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 04/29/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

COP Position: Oppose

SCR1002 – Photo enforcement systems; prohibition

Sponsor: Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary: Bans local authorities and state agencies from using automated photo enforcement systems (defined) to identify excessive speed violations or failures to obey traffic control devices. More.

Last Action: 03/20/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/26/2025, 8:00 AM - House GOV, HHR 5

COP Position: Oppose

SCR1004 – Prohibit tax; monitoring; vehicle mileage

Sponsor: Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona Constitution by prohibiting any county, city, town, municipal corporation or other political subdivision in Arizona impose a tax or fee based on vehicle miles traveled, or enact any rule or law to monitor or limit vehicle miles traveled unless the owner of the vehicle consents to such a measure. Stipulates that this measure does not apply to an interstate agreement that is created to administer a payment or reporting on fuel taxes or registration fees for commercial vehicle that operate in more than one state.

Last Action: 02/20/2025 H - Transmit to House

COP Position: Monitor

SCR1008 - Municipalities; counties; vote; fee increases

Sponsor: Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend specific, listed Arizona Revised Statutes regarding voter approval of tax implementations and increases, and subsequent modifications of assessments and municipal fees at the county and municipal levels.

Last Action: 03/19/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Oppose

SCR1014 - Surplus; income tax rate; reduction

Sponsor: Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary: The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to require the Department of Revenue, for each tax year beginning with 2028, to reduce the individual income tax rate for the current tax year so that the amount of the rate reduction is equal to that tax year's "Arizona taxpayer return,"

defined as 50 percent of the "structural surplus" (defined) for the immediately following fiscal year.

Last Action: 03/26/2025 H - DP - House Ways & Means

COP Position: Oppose