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**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
AGENDA
April 05, 2019
(Conducted Via Teleconference and Webinar)
Teleconference 1-720-707-2699
[Web Link](#)
County Supervisors Association
1905 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ**

9:00 a.m. Call to Order ~ *President Russell McCloud*

- A) Approval of the Minutes of the March 29, 2019, Legislative Policy Committee Meeting
(previously distributed)
- B) CSA Legislative Agenda
 - 1) CSA Legislative Budget Priorities
 - a) [SB 1140 county contributions; committed youth; repeal](#). (Leach)
 - b) [HB 2429 appropriations; EORP contributions; counties](#) (Thorpe) / [SB 1293 approp; EORP contributions; counties](#) (Gowan)
 - c) Taxation of Online Remote Purchases/Digital Goods
 - 2) S/E [HB 2467 committee; west basin water users](#) (Cobb)
 - 3) [SB 1084 funeral; last illness; expenses; lien](#) (Borrelli)
- C) Legislative Bills for Discussion
 - 1) [HB 2113 direct primary care providers; dentists](#) (Griffin) / S/E [SB 2113 public restrooms; diaper changing stations](#) (Griffin)
 - 2) [HB 2190 CORP; accidental disability; definition](#) (Payne)
 - 3) [HB 2556 agricultural property; uses; rural activities](#) (Finchem)
 - 4) [HB 2677 JLAC; auditor general](#) (Kern)
 - 5) [SB 1147 municipal economic development; sale; lease](#) (Leach) / S/E [SB 1147 tobacco products; vapor products](#) (Leach)
 - 6) [SB 1424 youth entrepreneurship; appropriation; pilot program](#) (Quezada) / S/E [SB 1424 2020 census; outreach; appropriation](#) (Quezada)
- D) Other Legislative Issues
- E) Next Meeting Date and Time (*Friday, April 12, at 9:00 a.m.*)
- F) Other Business
- G) Adjourn

PLEASE POST NO LATER THAN 9:00 A.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2019

Attendance may occur by teleconference or videoconference

CSA Bills

Senate Information

House Information

Bills	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes
SB1140	county contributions; committed youth; repeal. 1st Read: 01/22 APPROP 01/29 - DP 9-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/04 - PFC	CON CAL - 02/04 Object: No	2nd Read: 01/23 02/07 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 02/26 APPROP 03/06 - DP 10-0-0-0-1-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 02/27	SPONSORS: LEACH
Rep Caucus: 02/05 Dem Caucus: 02/05								
Comments: Seeks to eliminate the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (ADJC) cost shift to counties which funds 25 percent of the cost of ADJC.								
HB2429	appropriations; EORP contributions; counties				1st Read: 01/30 GOV 02/07 - DP 10-1-0-0-0-0 APPROP 02/13 - DP 11-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/06 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0	03/14 - DP	2nd Read: 01/31 03/19 - FAILED 17-42-1-0-0-0	SPONSORS: THORPE, LAWRENCE
Maj Caucus: 03/07 Min Caucus: 03/07								
Comments: Provides permanent relief of \$3 million dollars to counties with a population of less than \$350,000.								
SB1293	appropriations; EORP contributions; counties. 1st Read: 01/30 APPROP 02/12 - DP 9-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - PFC	CON CAL - 02/18 Object: No	2nd Read: 01/31 02/21 - PASSED 28-2-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/12 GOV 03/21 - DP 7-1-0-0-3-0 APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 03/13	SPONSORS: GOWAN
Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19								

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Bills	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes
HB2467	west basin water users; committee NOW: committees; west basin water users 1st Read: 03/12 WAG 03/21 - DP 5-0-2-0-0-0 RULES 03/25 - PFC Rep Caucus: 03/26 Dem Caucus: 03/26		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 02/04 NREW 02/19 - DPA/SE 12-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 03/04 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0 Maj Caucus: 03/05 Min Caucus: 03/05	03/06 - RET ON CAL 03/07 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/05 03/11 - PASSED 53-7-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: COBB
Comments: Allows for the implementation of local stakeholder processes regarding groundwater issues in La Paz and Mohave Counties.								
SB1084	funeral; last illness; expenses; lien 1st Read: 01/17 JUD 01/31 - DPA 5-0-2-0-0-0 RULES 02/04 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/05 Dem Caucus: 02/05	02/06 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/22 02/07 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/04 JUD 03/27 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 04/02 Min Caucus: 04/02	CON CAL - 04/01 Object: Yes	2nd Read: 03/05	SPONSORS: BORRELLI
Comments: Allows counties to follow a more cost effective path to be reimbursed for burying individuals if the decedent had real personal property.								

LPC Bills for Consideration April 5, 2019

Senate Information

House Information

Bills	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes
HB2113	direct primary care providers; dentists 1st Read: 02/28 HHS 03/27 - DPA/SE 8-0-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/04		1st Read: 01/28 HHS 02/14 - DPA 9-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/29 02/26 - PASSED 59-0-1-0-0-0	

SPONSORS: GRIFFIN

Comments: The strike everything amendment requires a state and local governments that construct a new restroom or totally renovates an existing restroom (\$50K & complete gut of finishes/systems) must include at least one changing station capable of serving both a baby and adult that is accessible by men and women; provide signage; and include in building directory, if available. Exemptions may be made if installation of a changing station would not be feasible, impact compliance with ADA standards or would destroy the historic significance of a property.

Note: Discussions with the proponents of the bill the goal is to have one restroom that serves the public be equipped with an adult changing station in a family accessible bathroom preferably on the 1st floor of a building that serves the public. Staff is working on getting an amendment to clarify that this would only be in public facing buildings and would not apply to buildings or bathrooms that serve only staff.

HB2190	CORP; accidental disability; definition 1st Read: 03/28 APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 04/01		1st Read: 01/24 PS 01/30 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 GOV 02/07 - DP 10-1-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26	03/07 - DP	2nd Read: 01/28 03/27 - PASSED 58-2-0-0-0-0	
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SPONSORS: PAYNE

Comments: Update: An amendment is being offered in Appropriations that removes the language making an employee eligible for accidental disability if a new job offer from the employer doesn't come with equivalent pay and benefits.

3/8: Staff explained there had been serious concerns raised by the counties on this bill. Staff also explained that, after conversations with the sponsor, the bill had been held for some time, but is now moving forward again. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

1/25: Staff explained the bill, noting there will be additional stakeholder conversations next week and would recommend bringing the issue back for discussion at another meeting. The LPC did not take action on the bill.

Summary: Removes the requirement that to qualify for accidental disability under CORP, the accident must have been caused by physical contact or a confrontational situation with an inmate, prisoner or parolee or a job-related motor vehicle accident while on official business. Qualifies an individual for accidental disability benefits if it is determined that the accident permanently prevents an employee from performing a reasonable range of duties with equivalent pay and benefits within the employee's department.

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Bills	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes	Committee Actions	COW Action	3rd Read & Votes	Final Read & Votes
HB2556	agricultural property; uses; rural activities 1st Read: 03/04 WAG 03/14 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/25 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/05		1st Read: 02/05 WM 02/20 - DPA 10-0-0-0-0-0 LAG 02/21 - DP 6-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/06 02/28 - PASSED 56-4-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 03/26 Dem Caucus: 03/26				Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26			

SPONSORS: FINCHEM, BIASIUCCI, et al

Comments: 3/29: Staff explained there had been many concerns raised about exempting these properties from building code and zoning ordinances, as the counties cannot ensure the safety of the public without building codes. Staff also noted the stakeholders will be meeting shortly in an attempt to address the concerns of the counties. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill in its current form, without an amendment to ease their concerns.

-For the purposes of property tax classification, the definition of "agricultural real property" is expanded to include land and improvements devoted to "agritourism" (defined).

-For the purposes of county zoning, the definition of "general agricultural purposes" is expanded to include agritourism.

-"Agritourism" is defined as: any activity that allows members of the general public, for recreational, entertainment or educational purposes, to view, enjoy or participate in rural activities, including farming, ranching, historical, cultural, u-pick, harvest-your-own activities or natural activities and attractions if the activity is conducted in connection with a business whose primary income is derived from the production for commercial purposes of livestock or agricultural commodities.

HB2677	JLAC; auditor general 1st Read: 03/12 GOV 03/18 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 02/13 APPROP 02/20 - DPA 10-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/14 03/04 - PASSED 59-0-1-0-0-0	
					Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26			

SPONSORS: KERN

Comments: 2/15 Staff explained this would expand the Auditor Generals authority to investigate financial fraud. The LPC noted concern for expanding a non-elected official's authority and voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Makes various changes relating to audits of public agencies. The Office of Auditor General (OAG) is required to conduct annual, instead of at least biennial, financial and compliance audits of financial transactions and accounts kept by or for all state agencies subject to the federal single audit requirements. The OAG is required, as resources allow, to conduct an investigation related to allegations of financial impropriety, malfeasance or nonfeasance of a state agency or of a political subdivision that is funded in whole or in part by tax revenue in connection with an audit authorized by law or on request of a state agency or specified public officers under specified circumstances. All officers of any state agency, board, commission, department, program or committee or any political subdivision and all contractors that contract with the state are required to afford reasonable and needed facilities for OAG staff and make records available in the form and at the time prescribed. The Joint Legislative Budget Committee is required to notify all members of the Legislature of the cost to conduct a special audit for any legislative measure that requires the OAG to perform a special audit. This information is required to be provided before the measure is scheduled for third read in the house of origin or in the house where the special audit provision was added. Modifies the list of factors a committee of reference must consider when determining the need for continuation or termination of an agency.

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Note: Staff is working on an amendment to revert A.R.S. 41-1279.04(B) to its original language to address our concern with the OAG attend their executive session meetings.

SB1147	municipal economic development; sale; lease				SPONSORS: LEACH			
	1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24		1st Read: 03/12		2nd Read: 03/13	
	GOV 02/11 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0	02/28 - DPA	03/07 - PASSED		WM 03/19 - W/D			
	RULES 02/18 - PFC		16-14-0-0-0-0		HHS 03/28 - DPA/SE 5-4-0-0-0-0			
					RULES None			
	Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19							

Comments: The strike-everything amendment increases the age to sell or purchase tobacco from 18 years old to 21 years old, changed the definition of tobacco, and modified how tobacco can be sold. The bill also adds a statewide preemption on tobacco products, e-liquids, vapor products and alternative nicotine products and supersedes any existing ordinances regarding the sale or marketing of tobacco products. Staff noted there is concern with the scope of the preemption language and that it could prevent counties from being able to designate smoke free parks, stadiums and other areas that serve youth and families.

SB1424	youth entrepreneurship; appropriation; pilot program				SPONSORS: QUEZADA, DALESSANDRO, et al			
	1st Read: 02/05		2nd Read: 02/06		1st Read: 03/06		2nd Read: 03/07	
	COM 02/14 - DP 6-0-2-0-0-0	02/28 - DPA	02/28 - PASSED		COM 04/01 - W/D			
	APPROP 02/26 - DPA 9-0-0-0-0-0		29-1-0-0-0-0		APPROP None			
	RULES 02/27 - PFC				RULES None			
	Rep Caucus: 02/27 Dem Caucus: 02/27							

Comments: The strike everything amendment appropriates \$5 M in state general fund money in FY 2020. Requires the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) to distribute \$2.5 M to the counties & cities on a pro rata basis, based on population. The money must be used for census communication outreach.

Note: New striker language is expected to post that will provide \$5 M to ADOA to hire a company to provide communication and outreach to local communities.

Ongoing LPC List

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HB2001	law enforcement; prosecution; grants; acceptance							SPONSORS: FINCHEM
					1st Read: 02/05		2nd Read: 02/06	
					GOV 02/21 - DP 6-4-0-0-1-0			
					APPROP None			
					RULES None			

Comments: 3/15 Staff noted, thanks to support from the Supervisors in getting Legislators and Sheriffs to oppose, the bill did not receive an Appropriations Committee hearing and is therefore dead. Staff will continue to monitor legislation to make sure the issue doesn't pop up once again in some form.

1/17 Staff explained the bill substantially erodes the Board's ability to provide proper oversight of public dollars. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Requires a board of supervisors to accept, without interference, all federal grant, award or other monies intended to supplement the approved budget of a law enforcement or prosecution agency, if the agency is eligible and qualified for the funding.

HB2008	duty to report; supervisor; administrator							SPONSORS: KAVANAGH
	1st Read: 02/27		2nd Read: 02/28		1st Read: 01/22		2nd Read: 01/23	
	JUD 03/07 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 03/11 Object: No			JUD 02/13 - DPA 10-0-0-0-0-0	02/25 - DPA	02/25 - PASSED	
	RULES 03/11 - PFC				RULES 02/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0		60-0-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 03/12 Dem Caucus: 03/12				Maj Caucus: 02/19 Min Caucus: 02/19			

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted this was for informational purposes to ensure potentially impacted departments have time to evaluate any impact for expanding responsibility for reporting abuse or neglect of a minor to supervisors of a person with a duty to report..

Summary: The list of persons with a duty to report a reasonable belief that a minor has been the victim of abuse or neglect is expanded to include any person who is employed as the immediate or next higher level supervisor to or administrator of a person who has a duty to report (other than the child's parent or guardian) and who develops the reasonable belief in the course of the supervisor's or administrator's employment.

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HB2019	highway safety fee; repeal; VLT..							
					1st Read: 02/04 TRANS 02/20 - FAILED 2-5-0-0-0-0 RULES None		SPONSORS: LAWRENCE 2nd Read: 02/05	
<p>Comments: 1/17 Staff explained the potential impact to county transportation and general fund revenues as well as the potential impact to the states structural balance. Noting that the fee is necessary to protect Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) from being used to fund DPS. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Repeals the highway safety fee that was previously required to be in an amount established by the Director of the Department of Transportation (ADOT) annually in order to fund 110 percent of the Department of Public Safety (DPS) Highway Patrol budget for each fiscal year. Set by the ADOT director at \$32, effective December 1, 2018.</p> <p>Repeals changes to the valuation formula for the separate vehicle license tax (VLT) classification for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuels that are purchased on or after January 1, 2020, which would have become effective January 1, 2020. Duplicate bill SB 2019 highway safety fee; repeal; VLT.(Ugenti-Rita)</p> <p>Estimated county impact is (\$623K) in FY20 and (\$1.25M) in FY21 in VLT revenue for transportation. (\$2.6M) in FY20 and (\$5.25M) in FY21 in VLT revenue deposited in county general funds. Additionally there is a potential for the department to be funded out of HURF again (\$8.9M) in FY20 and FY21 if full HURF shifts are reinstated.</p>								

HB2026	public resources; influencing elections; penalties							
	1st Read: 03/04 JUD 03/27 - W/D APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 03/05		1st Read: 02/05 ELECT 02/12 - DP 5-4-0-0-1-0 GOV 02/14 - DP 6-5-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DP	SPONSORS: KAVANAGH 2nd Read: 02/06 02/28 - PASSED 31-29-0-0-0-0	

Comments: 3/15 Staff explained the League of Cities and Towns is pushing for an amendment that only allows an individual to initiate a suit if the CAO or AG rules no election influencing was done by the political subdivision, or if the CAO or AG fails to act on a claim by an individual within 120 days. The amendment further clarified that the use of a public facility for a political purpose is not influencing elections and that in the event the courts rule that no violation occurred, the individual that brought the accusation is responsible for court costs. Staff recommended the Board maintain the position of opposition and stated they will be reaching out Senators individually to ask them to oppose the bill.

1/25: Staff explained that the bill would allow residents to sue an employee of a city, town, county, school district, or charter school for using resources to influence an election. Staff explained that they feel that there are current remedies in place to address this problem. The LPC moved to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Allows any resident of a jurisdiction that is alleged to have used county, municipal, school district or charter school resources or employees to influence elections is authorized to initiate a suit in the superior court for the purpose of enforcing compliance. Civil penalties paid for violations must be paid to the Attorney General or County Attorney in actions filed by those officers, and must be paid to the resident in an action filed by a resident.

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HB2047	HURF distribution; cities, towns, counties 1st Read: 03/12 APPROP 03/19 - DP 8-0-1-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 02/12 APPROP 02/20 - DP 9-1-0-0-1-0 RULES 03/04 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0 Maj Caucus: 03/05 Min Caucus: 03/05	03/07 - DPA	SPONSORS: COOK, CAMPBELL, et al 2nd Read: 02/13 03/11 - PASSED 60-0-0-0-0-0	

Comments: 1/17 Staff explained the bill does not add any revenues to statewide transportation but redistributed revenue from urban to rural areas. The Board noted that taking away funds from another county hurts us and is a distraction from the additional investment needed in transportation. The Board moved to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary as amended by House COW:

Appropriates \$60 million in FY 2020 from the GF to ADOT for street or highway projects, to be allocated as follows:

- \$30 Million to counties, with each county to receive \$1.5 Million and the remaining monies to be apportioned based on population.
- \$30 Million to cities and towns, with each city or town to receive \$150,000 and the remaining monies to be apportioned based on population.

Comments: The bill originally required \$18 Million to be swept off the top of HURF in FY 2021 and redistributed to counties, cities and towns that were below a specified population threshold.

HB2052	juveniles; detention centers; dangerous offenses				1st Read: 01/22 JUD 01/30 - HELD RULES None		SPONSORS: ALLEN J 2nd Read: 01/23	
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Comments: 1/25: Staff advised the bill would allow the court to determine if a juvenile should be held in a juvenile detention facility or in a sight and sound section of an adult jail, even if they are charged with a dangerous offense. The LPC discussed why a juvenile charged with a dangerous offense should be allowed in a juvenile detention facility, noting this would give judges the ability to make a determination based on the facts of the case the most appropriate place to for a juvenile to be housed. The LPC took a position of SUPPORT

Summary: Permits the court to order juveniles charged with a dangerous offense be detained in a juvenile detention facility. Current law requires this population be held in an adult jail.

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HB2055	juvenile court; jurisdiction; undesignated felony 1st Read: 02/28 JUD 03/28 - DPA 6-0-1-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFCA Rep Caucus: 04/02 Dem Caucus: 04/02		2nd Read: 03/04		1st Read: 01/22 JUD 01/30 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/04 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/05 Min Caucus: 02/05		2nd Read: 01/23 02/27 - PASSED 57-1-2-0-0-0	SPONSORS: ALLEN J
<p>Comments: 2/1: Staff advised this bill clarified the juvenile court retains jurisdiction after the 18th birthday to move a class 6 felony down to a misdemeanor. The LPC noted this was a good idea and voted to SUPPORT the bill.</p> <p>Summary: If a juvenile is adjudicated for a class 6 undesignated felony, the court is permitted to designate the offense as a class 1 misdemeanor at any time. The bill clarifies that the juvenile court retains jurisdiction after a juvenile's 18th birthday for the purpose of designating an undesignated felony offense as a misdemeanor.</p>								
HB2062	juvenile disposition; probation terms; notice 1st Read: 02/25 JUD None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/26		1st Read: 01/22 JUD 01/30 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/11 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/12 Min Caucus: 02/12	02/14 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/23 02/14 - PASSED 60-0-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: ALLEN J
<p>Comments: 2/1: Staff gave an overview of the bill noting this would give the courts flexibility to determine when the best course of action of a juvenile that violates their probation based on the individual situation. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill. Summary: Gives the court the ability to determine when a juvenile who is 14 years of age or older and is adjudicated as a repeat felony juvenile offender, should be placed on intensive probation. Juveniles on probation for an offense involving spirituous liquor or a drug violation and the juvenile violates probation by consuming spirituous liquor or drug use, the court may determine if probation should be revoked and if additional probation conditions should be established.</p>								
HB2072	civil forfeiture; criminal conviction				1st Read: 01/30 JUD None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/31	SPONSORS: FILLMORE

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted that back in 2017 (HB2477) there was major reform on the Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act this would make significant changes to the existing processes. The LPC did not take a position.

Summary: This bill would make significant changes to civil forfeiture including establishing that a claimant's interest in property is exempt from forfeiture and the burden of establishing that the claimant's property should be forfeited is on the state, instead of on the claimant. Allows anyone who has property seized through forfeiture (defendant or any other person who has an ownership interest in the property) to request a hearing to determine the validity of the seizure.

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HB2079	county officials; salaries							SPONSORS: KAVANAGH
					1st Read: 01/22		2nd Read: 01/23	
					GOV 02/07 - DPA 8-2-0-1-0-0			
					RULES None			

Comments: 1/25: Staff explained the bill noting that from the feedback we have received, counties differ on their positions on this proposal. The LPC decided the organization would not take a position to allow counties to weigh in as they see fit.

Summary: Beginning January 1, 2021, the annual salaries of county supervisors, treasurers, recorders, and school superintendents are increased by 22 percent. Also effective Jan. 1, 2021 the annual salaries of county attorneys and sheriffs are increased by 29 percent. Effective January 1, 2023, the annual salary of the clerk of the superior court is increased 22 percent.

HB2081	traumatic event counseling							SPONSORS: BLACKMAN, BIASIUCCI, et al
					1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24	
					GOV None			
					PS None			
					RULES None			

Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that currently the number of visits to licensed counselors for a peace officer or firefighter with a medical option for 24 additional visits. HB 2081 would increase the additional visits from 24 to 36, for a total of 48 visits. The LPC moved to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Currently the number of visits to licensed counselors for a peace officer or firefighter is 12 with a medical option for 24 additional visits. The bill would increase the additional visits from 24 to 36 for a total of 48 visits.

HB2095	agricultural property classification; water reduction							SPONSORS: COOK, CAMPBELL, et al
	1st Read: 02/25		2nd Read: 02/26		1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24	
	FIN 03/06 - DPA 8-0-2-0-0-0	03/25 - DPA	03/26 - PASSED		WM 01/30 - DP 9-0-0-0-1-0	CON CAL - 02/11	02/14 - PASSED	
	RULES 03/11 - PFC		30-0-0-0-0-0		LAG 01/31 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0	Object: No	60-0-0-0-0-0	
					RULES 02/11 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0			
	Rep Caucus: 03/12				Maj Caucus: 02/12			
	Dem Caucus: 03/12				Min Caucus: 02/12			

Comments: 2/8: The staff explained that this bill was for information purposes only and aimed at resolving the concerned over how fallowed land in Pinal County (as a result of the Drought Contingency Plan) would be assessed. The LPC took no action on this item.

Summary: For the purpose of the property tax classification as property used for agricultural purposes, property that has been in active production may be inactive or partially inactive due to a partial reduction in the available water supply or irrigation district water allotments for agriculture use in the farm unit.

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HB2108	real estate signs; cities; counties							
					1st Read: 01/28 RA 02/11 - W/D GOV 02/11 - W/D PS 02/20 - DPA/SE 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25		SPONSORS: GRANTHAM 2nd Read: 01/29	

Comments: 2/8: Staff noted the bill creates a nebulous length of time a real estate sized sign may be up. Taken with the Reed vs. the Town of Gilbert case that prohibiting the regulation of content, this has the potential for permanent signs not related to real estate that counties could not remove unless it there is a safety risk. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Counties and municipalities cannot prohibit an owner of real property or the owner's agent from displaying on the property and/or in an area within a public or private right-of-way a sign advertising that the property is for sale or rent, an open house, the owner or agent's name and contact information, and directions to the property. With the exception of time, place and manner restrictions and regulation based on public health, safety or welfare.

Allows for limited time, place and manner restrictions on signs on open house and directional signs but cannot restrict the type of sign or limit the number of signs that may be displayed at one time within an authorized area.

HB2109	county transportation excise tax.							
	1st Read: 03/07 TPS 03/27 - DP 5-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFC Rep Caucus: 04/02 Dem Caucus: 04/02		2nd Read: 03/11		1st Read: 01/28 WM 02/20 - DP 9-1-0-0-0-0 TRANS 02/20 - DP 4-1-0-1-1-0 RULES 03/04 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0 Maj Caucus: 03/05 Min Caucus: 03/05	03/06 - DP	2nd Read: 01/29 03/06 - PASSED 44-16-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: SHOPE

Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that the bill would increase the maximum allowable levy for a regional transportation authority from 0.5% to 1.0%. The LPC moved to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Increases the allowable tax rate that a regional transportation authority (RTA) can ask voters to approve for roads from 0.5% to 1.0%. Caps the combined excise tax that can be levied by an RTA and a county for transportation purposes at 1.0%.

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HB2114	county real estate; appraisals 1st Read: 02/28 GOV 03/11 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - PFCA Rep Caucus: 03/19 Dem Caucus: 03/19	03/20 - DPA	2nd Read: 03/04 03/25 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 01/28 GOV 02/14 - DPA 10-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/29 02/26 - PASSED 58-2-0-0-0-0	

SPONSORS: GRIFFIN

Comments: 3/15 Staff stated that an amendment was adopted to the bill that allows a county BOS to lease properties without a public auction if the rental value of the property is less than \$5,000 per month and the Board meets specified noticing requirements. Staff noted that the bill, as amended, provides the counties greater flexibility in the sale of small, lower valued property and would allow the county to avoid having to go to auction for all lease agreements. The committee voted to SUPPORT the bill.

2/1: Staff noted this was for informational purposes and seeking additional clarity on the bill. Update: This bill is coming out of Maricopa County it streamlines the sale/lease of excess property by giving counties the option of using an in-house appraiser for the sale of excess real property and allowing a county to utilize a market analysis based on comparable sales in the sale of real property with no market value or with a net value of less than \$10,000. The LPC did not take a position

Summary: In the sale of county property, requires the BOS to have the property appraised by a licensed appraiser at market value. The minimum acceptable bid would be 90% of the market value. If the property has no market value or a net value of \$10,000 or less, the value may be justified by a market analysis based on comparable sales.

Currently, the appraiser determines minimum price based on 90% of their appraised value.

HB2131	state agencies; citizen portal; access 1st Read: 02/28 GOV 03/18 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/04		1st Read: 01/28 TECH 02/06 - DP 5-1-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DP	2nd Read: 01/29 02/26 - PASSED 33-26-1-0-0-0	
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SPONSORS: THORPE

Comments: 2/8: Staff noted the lack of clarity on what information would need to be online and potential cost associated implementation. A meeting has been scheduled with the sponsor to work through some of the concerns. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: Requires each "state agency" (including political subdivisions) that collects personal information from any person is required to establish a citizen portal, which must be a secure online website that allows a person to access the person's personal information that the state agency collects and to correct any error in the person's personal information.

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HB2146	contracts; licensure requirements; waiver; applicability 1st Read: 03/07 JUD 03/21 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/11		1st Read: 01/28 COM 02/12 - DPA 5-4-0-0-0-0 RA 02/18 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/29 02/26 - PASSED 32-28-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: RIVERO

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted that the concerns addressed last year related to its constitutionality and consumer protections have not been addressed in this year's bill. Last year Laws 2018, Chapter 44 created a regulatory sandbox for financial products that exempted regulations, but have consumer protections. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: This is similar to HB 2490 that this body opposed. It allows for a contract between two or more private parties, the parties are authorized to agree to waive any state, county or municipal laws relating to license, certification, registration or other authorization. The contract must be delivered primarily electronically, may not exceed \$6,000 per contract or more than \$250,000 between two parties within a year. With some exceptions for health professions and any regulated practice of law.

HB2148	syringe service programs; authorization				1st Read: 02/04 HHS None PS None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/05	SPONSORS: RIVERO
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Comments: 2/8: Staff noted this is legislation supported by the LPC last year, but has been double assigned and will have some challenges moving forward. The LPC noted one health director had concerns with the bill, but did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: A municipality, county or nongovernmental organization or any combination of these entities are authorized to establish and operate a needle and hypodermic syringe service program.

The program must have the ability to disposal of used needles, provide access to injection supplies at no cost, and access to kits that contain an opioid antagonist or referrals to programs that provide access to an opioid antagonist.

Provides immunity to an employee, volunteer or participant in the program for possession of a needle, hypodermic syringe or other injection supply item obtained from or returned to a program or possession of a residual amount of a controlled substance contained in a used needle, hypodermic syringe or injection supply item obtained from or returned to a program, if the person claiming immunity provides written verification that the item was obtained from a program.

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HB2190	CORP; accidental disability; definition 1st Read: 03/28 APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 04/01		1st Read: 01/24 PS 01/30 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 GOV 02/07 - DP 10-1-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26	03/07 - DP	2nd Read: 01/28 03/27 - PASSED 58-2-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: PAYNE

Comments: Update: An amendment is being offered in Appropriations that removes the language making an employee eligible for accidental disability if a new job offer from the employer doesn't come with equivalent pay and benefits.

3/8: Staff explained there had been serious concerns raised by the counties on this bill. Staff also explained that, after conversations with the sponsor, the bill had been held for some time, but is now moving forward again. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

1/25: Staff explained the bill, noting there will be additional stakeholder conversations next week and would recommend bringing the issue back for discussion at another meeting. The LPC did not take action on the bill.

Summary: Removes the requirement that to qualify for accidental disability under CORP, the accident must have been caused by physical contact or a confrontational situation with an inmate, prisoner or parolee or a job-related motor vehicle accident while on official business. Qualifies an individual for accidental disability benefits if it is determined that the accident permanently prevents an employee from performing a reasonable range of duties with equivalent pay and benefits within the employee's department.

HB2192	budget cycle; police associations; meeting				1st Read: 01/28 PS None GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/29	SPONSORS: PAYNE
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Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that this bill would require the governing body of a county, city, or town meet with police associations during the budget cycle to discuss how money will be allocated for public safety. The LPC moved to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Requires the county boards of supervisors and municipal governing bodies to meet with police associations serving the peace officers of that county or municipality during the budget cycle to discuss the allocations of monies for public safety services.

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HB2229	cable licensing; video service providers				SPONSORS: ALLEN J			
	1st Read: 02/25		2nd Read: 02/26		1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24	
	COM 03/14 - DP 7-0-1-0-0-0	03/26 - DP			COM 01/29 - DP 9-0-0-0-0-0	02/14 - DP		02/14 - PASSED
	RULES 03/18 - PFC				RULES 02/11 - C&P 6-2-0-0-0-0			60-0-0-0-0-0
	Rep Caucus: 03/19 Dem Caucus: 03/19				Maj Caucus: 02/12 Min Caucus: 02/12			

Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that last year SB 1140 passed which established a statewide preemption on video service providers, establishing the terms and conditions in title 9. HB 2229 would move this statute into title 11. The Board noted the concern with any rise in fees. The LPC took a position of SUPPORT.

Summary: Follow-up bill from last session (SB 1140) moving the county portion of the legislation out of title 9 into title 11.

HB2231	nonhealth professions; occupations; regulations				SPONSORS: KERN			
					1st Read: 01/28		2nd Read: 01/29	
					RA 02/04 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0	02/27 - RET ON CAL		03/04 - FAILED
					COM 02/05 - DP 5-4-0-0-0-0	02/28 - DPA		30-29-1-0-0-0
					RULES 02/11 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0			
					Maj Caucus: 02/12 Min Caucus: 02/12			

Comments: 2/8: Staff noted this could make it more challenging for counties to distinguish experience and certification on projects that open the counties up for liability (roads, buildings). The LPC expressed concern for public safety and that it rolls back important standards. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Makes changes to the requirements and criteria for regulating nonhealth professions and establishes the presumption that the public is sufficiently protected from unregulated practice by market competition and private remedies, including third-party or consumer-created ratings. The state may only regulate a profession or occupation if there is credible empirical evidence of substantiated harm that the unregulated practice is a threat to public health, safety or welfare.

For a state agency that administers an occupational regulation, the sunset review report from a committee of reference (COR) is required to include a recommendation that the Legislature repeal the occupational license, convert the license to a less restrictive regulation, or instruct the state agency to seek legislation or adopt rules to reflect the COR's recommendation to impose less restrictive regulations or redefine the scope of practice.

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HB2240	limitations of actions; dedicated property 1st Read: 03/05 JUD 03/14 - DP 6-1-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - PFCA	03/25 - DPA	2nd Read: 03/06 03/26 - PASSED 28-2-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 01/28 JUD 02/13 - DPA 6-4-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/29 03/04 - PASSED 51-8-1-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 03/19 Dem Caucus: 03/19				Maj Caucus: 02/19 Min Caucus: 02/19			

SPONSORS: KERN

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted last year the LPC took a position of Neutral on identical language in HB 2116 and an amendment is currently being worked on between the League and the bills proponents. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: Establishes an eight-year statute of repose for any action or arbitration involving an improvement to real property dedicated to a municipality or county, if the action is based on a permit required as a condition of development or a municipal/county code or other legal requirement, and the action is filed against a person who: 1) develops or develops and sells real property; or 2) performs or furnishes design, specifications, surveying, planning, supervision testing, construction or observation of construction.

HB2241	JLAC; political subdivisions; investigation 1st Read: 03/04 GOV 03/18 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/25 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/05		1st Read: 01/28 GOV 02/21 - DP 6-4-0-1-0-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 5-3-0-0-0-0	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/29 02/28 - PASSED 31-29-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 03/26 Dem Caucus: 03/26				Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26			

SPONSORS: KERN

Comments: 3/8: Staff explained the stakeholders had all come together and agreed upon amendment language that would remove any potential withholding of county state shared revenues. The bill now allows the Attorney General to utilize the courts to bring a county back into compliance with the uniform expenditure reporting system. The LPC voted to take a NEUTRAL position on the bill.

1/25: Staff explained that the bill would allow the Auditor General to request that JLAC direct the Attorney General to investigate a county, city, or town that is not in compliance with the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System. Additionally, if a political subdivision is found to be not in compliance and does not become compliant within 30 days, the Attorney General is authorized to direct the State Treasurer to withhold and redistribute the political subdivision's state shared revenues. The LPC moved to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary as amended in House COW:

Requires political subdivisions to comply with the uniform expenditure reporting systems instructions and forms prescribed by the Auditor General. Allows the Auditor General to notify the Joint Legislative Audit Committee (JLAC) and the Attorney General (AG) of noncompliance. Allows the AG to file a petition for special action in any court to compel a political subdivision to comply with the reporting system. Allows the AG to apply for injunctive relief in any court to force the political subdivision from violating this requirement.

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HB2243 political subdivisions; JLAC; shared revenues SPONSORS: KERN

1st Read: 01/28
GOV 02/21 - FAILED
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RULES None
 2nd Read: 01/29

Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that the bill would allow the Auditor General to notify JLAC if a political subdivision is not in compliance with the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System. If the county, city, or town does not come in to compliance within 30 days JLAC is required to direct the State Treasurer to withhold the county, city, or town's state shared revenues until they are compliant. The LPC moved to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Requires that counties comply with the uniform expenditure reporting system, instructions and forms prescribed by the Auditor General. The Auditor General is authorized to notify the Joint Legislative Audit Committee (JLAC) and the Attorney General if any political subdivision does not comply, and JLAC is required to notify a county or municipality that it is not in compliance and that it has 30 days to comply. If JLAC determines that the county or municipality has failed to comply within 30 days, JLAC is required to notify the State Treasurer, who is required to withhold and redistribute state shared monies from the county or municipality until the county or municipality complies. The Attorney General is authorized to apply for injunctive relief in any court of competent jurisdiction to prevent any political subdivision or person from violating uniform expenditure reporting requirements.

HB2245 mandatory minimum sentences; judicial discretion SPONSORS: RIVERO, BLACKMAN, et al

1st Read: 01/28
JUD None
RULES None
 2nd Read: 01/29

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted that this is one of the Criminal Justice Reform bills being worked on through a bipartisan effort and that CSA is seeking feedback from the prosecutors on the language before offering a recommendation. The LPC did not take a position. Summary: Authorizes the courts to impose a shorter prison sentence or suspend the sentence and offer probation if the court determines the mandatory prison sentence would result in an injustice to the defendant and is not necessary for the protection of the public. Does not apply to a conviction involving a death or serious physical injury; sexual offense or if the defendant is engaged in a criminal enterprise. Requires the Administrative Office of the Courts to annually report to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (Commission) on each case in which the court departed from a mandatory prison sentence, and the Commission is required to annually determine the cost savings realized as a result.

HB2257 civil liability; gun-free zones SPONSORS: THORPE

Comments: 2/8: Staff noted the bill had not yet been assigned to committee and we will bring the bill back if it starts moving. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: A person, organization or entity or an agency, commission, board or political subdivision of the state that establishes a "gun-free zone" (defined) is liable for any damages claimed by a person who was harmed by criminal conduct in the gun-free zone if a reasonable person would believe that possession of a firearm could have helped the person defend against the criminal conduct. The court is authorized to award treble damages to the person who was harmed if the criminal conduct is found to be a terrorist attack or the person harmed is disabled, a member of a minority group, under 16 years of age or over 65 years of age at the time of the criminal conduct.

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HB2275	TPT exemption; crop production tools 1st Read: 02/27 FIN 03/13 - DPA 5-4-1-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 02/28		1st Read: 01/28 LAG 02/07 - DP 5-2-0-0-0-0 WM 02/13 - DP 6-4-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/19 Min Caucus: 02/19	02/25 - DP	SPONSORS: DUNN, COBB, et al 2nd Read: 01/29 02/25 - PASSED 32-28-0-0-0-0	

Comments: 2/8: The staff explained that this bill was for information purposes only and that the bill expanded the TPT exemption for propagative materials. The LPC took no action on this item.

Summary: The exemption from the retail classification of transaction privilege taxes and use taxes for "propagative materials" is modified to include: seeds, seedlings, roots, bulbs, cuttings, soil and plant additives, fertilizers, insecticides, herbicides, fungicides, soil fumigants, plant nutrients, plant growth regulators, and more. Is only applicable when sold to individuals that use the items to commercially produce agricultural, horticultural, viticultural or floricultural crops in Arizona. Applies retroactively to taxable periods beginning July 1, 2019. Does not authorize and refund of taxes paid before the effective date of this legislation.

HB2318	ADOT; consulting with third parties 1st Read: 02/25 TPS 03/27 - DPA/SE 6-2-0-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFCA Rep Caucus: 04/02 Dem Caucus: 04/02		2nd Read: 02/26		1st Read: 01/30 TRANS 02/06 - DP 6-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/11 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/12 Min Caucus: 02/12	CON CAL - 02/11 Object: No	SPONSORS: CAMPBELL, STRINGER 2nd Read: 01/31 02/14 - PASSED 59-1-0-0-0-0	
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Comments: 3/29: Staff noted the strike-everything amendment adds the language from SB 1165 texting while driving; prohibition (Brophy McGee) that has been held in House Rules. The LPC voted to support SB 1165 on February 8th.

Summary: Requires anyone (with limited exceptions) operating a motor vehicle from using a handheld portable wireless communication device unless the vehicle is stopped or parked. Requires the device to be used in a hands-free manner unless they are activating or deactivating the device.

Makes the violation a primary petty offense. Fines for a violation are at least \$75 but not more than \$149 for the 1st violation and \$150 but not more than \$250 for a 2nd offense. Warnings for violations occur from the effective date until December 31, 2020 and citations begin on January 1, 2021. However, local authorities with existing legislation may continue to issue citations through December 31, 2020.

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HB2319	HURF transfers; highway patrol; repeal 1st Read: 03/04 APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 03/05		1st Read: 01/30 TRANS 02/06 - DP 5-0-0-0-2-0 APPROP 02/13 - DP 10-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/19 Min Caucus: 02/19		SPONSORS: CAMPBELL, BIASIUCCI, et al 2nd Read: 01/31 02/27 - PASSED 59-0-1-0-0-0	

Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that this bill would remove the statutory requirement that ADOT annually transfer \$10M from HURF to the Department of Public Safety. The LPC moved to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Repeals statute requiring the Department of Transportation to allocate and transfer \$10 million from revenues of the Arizona Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) to the Department of Public Safety for funding a portion of highway patrol costs.

HB2320	highway safety fee; reduction 1st Read: 03/12 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 01/29 TRANS 02/06 - DP 6-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/11 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/12 Min Caucus: 02/12		SPONSORS: CAMPBELL, BARTO, et al 2nd Read: 01/30 03/11 - PASSED 57-3-0-0-0-0	
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Comments: 3/15: Staff explained that the bill died on the House floor, but was reconsidered and an amendment was adopted that provides a one-time \$47 million GF appropriation to the Highway Patrol Fund. Staff expressed concern that the amendment only provided a one-time fix to the problem and left the counties open to further HURF sweeps in the future.

1/25: Staff explained this was provided for information purposes only. The bill would cap the highway safety fee at \$18, CSA estimates that this would cover the FY18 HURF shift to DPS of \$99 million. The state General Fund would see an impact, since the established fee revenues are included in both the governor's budget and the JLBC baseline. 2/8: Staff described the bill and noted that any reduction in the fee would not fully fund DPS's highway patrol budget and the governor's opposition to any modification of the fee. The LPC also discussed the growing legislative support to repeal the highway safety fee. The LPC voted to OPPOSE this bill.

Summary: Caps the highway safety fee at \$18. The highway safety fee is no longer required to fully fund 110 percent of the Department of Public Safety Highway Patrol budget for each fiscal year.

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HB2363	tax lien sales; procedures 1st Read: 02/25		2nd Read: 02/26		1st Read: 01/30		2nd Read: 01/31	SPONSORS: TOMA, LIVINGSTON
	FIN 03/06 - DP 8-0-2-0-0-0 RULES 03/11 - PFC	CON CAL - 03/11 Object: No	03/18 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		WM 02/06 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/11 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/14 - DPA	02/14 - PASSED 60-0-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 03/12 Dem Caucus: 03/12				Maj Caucus: 02/12 Min Caucus: 02/12			Transmitted to Governor: 03/19 Signed: 03/22 Chapter: 31

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted this is an AACo bill that is a result of a tax lien bidder that bid a lien down to 3% then withheld payment in an attempt to get the tax lien back on the market so it could be purchased for the full 16%. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Various changes relating to tax lien sales. The county treasurer is required to continue the annual tax lien sale until the tax lien on each parcel has been offered for sale and no more bids are offered by purchasers, instead of until the tax lien on each parcel has been sold. The purchaser of a tax lien is required to pay the purchase price in cash at a time the county treasurer determines, instead of at the time of sale. If the sale has been closed, the county treasurer is authorized to prohibit a purchaser who failed to pay the amount due from purchasing tax liens from any county in Arizona for up to one year.

HB2449	adequate water supply; county review				1st Read: 02/07		2nd Read: 02/11	SPONSORS: GRIFFIN
					NREW None RULES None			

Comments: 2/8: Staff explained that various versions of this bill have been dropped in recent years, but has always failed by one of the Chambers or vetoed by the Governor. In last year's version, CSA did not take a position. The LPC did not take a position.

Summary: For a county that is not in an Active Management Area, the county board of supervisors is required to review the provision for adequate water supply for a subdivision and after review may by unanimous vote at a public meeting not to readopt the provision. The review is required to occur not more than 5 years after the effective date of this legislation and every 5 to 10 years thereafter. If the board does not vote unanimously not to readopt the provision, the provision remains in effect. If the board votes unanimously not to readopt the provision, the provision has no further force if a list of specified conditions apply at the time of the vote. The board is required to give written notice of any vote not to readopt the provision to the Director of the Department of Water Resources, the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality and the State Real Estate Commissioner.

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HB2453	land use plans; contents; aggregates 1st Read: 03/05 NRE 03/13 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - PFC Rep Caucus: 03/19 Dem Caucus: 03/19	03/25 - DP	2nd Read: 03/06		1st Read: 02/11 NREW 02/19 - DP 12-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	CON CAL - 02/20 Object: No	2nd Read: 02/12 03/04 - PASSED 59-0-1-0-0-0	SPONSORS: GRIFFIN
<p>Comments: 2/8: Staff explained the bill and noted that CSA received positive feedback on the bill. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.</p> <p>Summary: The bill specifies that counties with 125,000 people or more may also include in their comprehensive plan information on how to locate existing mines from the Arizona Geological survey, existing mining operations and other geologic resources. It would also require the Arizona Geological Survey to annually update their database for existing mines and allow counties access to the database.</p>								
HB2460	PTSD; workers' compensation; presumption							SPONSORS: TOWNSEND
<p>Comments: 1/25: Staff explained that this bill would make posttraumatic stress disorder an occupational disease for peace officers and firefighters. The LPC moved to OPPOSE the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Makes posttraumatic stress disorder is presumed to be an occupational disease for peace officers and firefighters.</p>								
HB2486	study committee on county boundaries 1st Read: 03/12 GOV 03/25 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFC Rep Caucus: 04/02 Dem Caucus: 04/02		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 02/04 GOV 02/14 - DP 6-3-0-2-0-0 RULES 03/04 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0 Maj Caucus: 03/05 Min Caucus: 03/05	03/07 - DP	2nd Read: 02/05 03/11 - PASSED 31-29-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: GRIFFIN
<p>Comments: 2/8: Staff explained the bill. The LPC did not take a position.</p> <p>Summary: Establishes a 13-member Joint Study Committee on County Boundaries to research and report on the fiscal and related impacts of a change in the county boundary line between Cochise County and Santa Cruz County. The Committee is required to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by June 30, 2020, and self-repeals January 1, 2021.</p>								

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HB2493	appraisal methods; solar energy devices 1st Read: 02/28 FIN 03/27 - DPA/SE 8-0-2-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/04		1st Read: 02/04 WM 02/13 - DP 8-2-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DP	2nd Read: 02/05 02/26 - PASSED 48-11-1-0-0-0	SPONSORS: COBB

Comments: 3/29: Staff explained a strike-everything amendment was adopted that makes solar energy devices taxable, to depreciate on a 10-year accelerated depreciation schedule. Staff also noted this bill represents a settlement in the ongoing lawsuit. The LPC took no action on the bill.

Comments: A proposed strike-everything amendment is being offered this week that makes leased solar energy devices taxable and establishes a 10-year accelerated depreciation schedule for the property. Our understanding is that this amendment is per an agreement from all parties and ultimately is part of the settlement of the entire ongoing lawsuit.

Retroactive to January 1, 2015, for the purpose of standard appraisal methods, solar energy devices and systems designed to produce solar energy primarily for on-site consumption are considered to add no value to the real property when they are characterized as personal property, whether they are leased or owned. If this provision is finally adjudicated invalid, for the purpose of appraisals, the device or system is considered to be personal property with a full cash value of \$500 for a device or system up to 500 kilowatts and \$1 per kilowatt for each additional kilowatt.

HB2501	electronic records; state library 1st Read: 03/06 GOV 03/18 - DPA 7-0-0-0-0-0 APPROP 03/26 - DP 8-0-1-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/07		1st Read: 02/04 GOV 02/14 - DPA 10-0-0-0-1-0 APPROP 02/20 - DP 10-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/05 03/04 - PASSED 58-0-2-0-0-0	SPONSORS: BLACKMAN
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Comments: 2/1: Staff noted this is an AACo bill aimed at modernizing the transfer of records between the county and state. The LPC moved to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: The State Library will establish, operate and maintain electronic records. Maricopa County Clerk of the Superior Court will appropriate sufficient monies to the newly established Electronic Records Repository Fund, to fund a three-year pilot project to develop a trusted electronic records repository and archives management program.

-Appropriates \$70,000 and 1 FTE position from the General Fund in FY 2024 to the Secretary of State for the purposes of this legislation.

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HB2515	mobile home parks; abandonment							SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI
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1st Read: 02/05

2nd Read: 02/06

COM 02/19 - DPA/SE
5-4-0-0-0-0

GOV 02/21 - DP
6-2-0-2-1-0

RULES None

Comments: 3/8: Staff explained that feedback from county planning and zoning outlined a number of concerns with having the inability to have an entity to cite for a violation in a mobile home park. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

The S/E prohibits a code enforcement agency from citing a mobile home park owner to correct a violation of a mobile home unless the mobile home park owner is also the owner of record on the mobile home.

HB2520	property tax; fallowed property; classification							SPONSORS: FINCHEM, BLACKMAN, et al
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1st Read: 02/04

2nd Read: 02/05

WM None

LAG None

RULES None

Comments: 2/8: Staff explained that this bill was meant to address the issue with the potentially fallowed land in Pinal County as a result of the Drought Contingency Plan. Staff also noted that the language in the bill is very broad and may lead to other properties across the state being classified under this new classification. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Establishes a new class for property tax purposes (Class 10). Class 10 consists of real property and improvements to real property that are subject to a fallowing agreement with the Department of Agriculture or a political subdivision that requires the real property to be fallowed for a period of at least 5 years and that has been classified as class 2 for agricultural purposes for at least 10 years before the agreement.

The assessed valuation of class 10 property is 10 percent of its full cash value or limited valuation.

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HB2521	carrying of firearms; constables				1st Read: 01/28 PS 02/06 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/19 Min Caucus: 02/19	02/27 - RET ON CAL	SPONSORS: ROBERTS, BARTO, et al 2nd Read: 01/29	

Comments: 2/8: Staff explained the concerns that county stakeholders have expressed and described the actions taken in House Public Safety this week, as the bill passed out. Staff also explained what the proponents of the bill have expressed is the nexus for the bill and that there are ongoing discussions between the two sides. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

2/1: Staff noted this was a late agenda item and we cannot take a position until next week, but there are concerns that this bill may expose the counties to liability due to any constables that would no longer be insurable.

Summary: Authorizes a constable, while on or off duty, to carry a firearm if the constable 1) is AZPOST certified; or 2) completes firearms training, undergoes a psychological exam and either possesses a concealed weapon permit or completes an AZPOST approved background check.

HB2536	fuel; electric cars; hybrids; taxes				1st Read: 02/04 TRANS 02/06 - DPA 6-0-0-0-1-0 WM 02/20 - DPA 7-3-0-0-0-0 RULES None		SPONSORS: CAMPBELL, ANDRADE, et al 2nd Read: 02/05	
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Comments: 3/8: Staff noted that the amendment from the ways and means committee reduced the estimated increase in available revenues from \$1B annually to approximately \$6M annually. However, maintain the in-lieu gas tax for alternative fuel vehicles will protect HURF revenues as more alternative fuel vehicles are purchased. The LPC took no action on this item.

2/1: Staff noted that proposed rates for natural gas, propane, electric and hybrid vehicles are meant to capture the same amount of revenue as a vehicle powered by gasoline or diesel. All of the additional revenues in the legislation would be deposited into HURF and distributed via the statutory distribution method. The LPC noted that counties have been fighting a long time to put more money into roads and this is a comprehensive approach. The LPC moved to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary:

As Amended by House Ways & Means: Removes the increase in motor vehicle and use fuel taxes. Maintains the creation of a per gasoline gallon equivalent tax for natural gas and propane and an annual "in-lieu gas tax" for all electric and hybrid vehicles, at an amount equal to the current applicable gas or use tax.

Original Bill: The tax on motor vehicle fuel is increased to 28 cents per gallon in FY20, 38 cents per gallon in FY21, and 43 cents per gallon in FY22, from 18 cents per gallon. Imposes a tax on natural gas used in the propulsion of any vehicle at a rate of 19 cents per gallon in FY20, 25 cents per gallon in FY21, and 28 cents per gallon in FY22. Imposes a tax on propane used in the propulsion of any vehicle at a rate of 23 cents per gallon in FY20, 30 cents per gallon in FY21, and 34 cents per gallon in FY22. Imposes use fuel taxes on natural gas and propane used in the propulsion of a light class motor vehicle, and establishes use fuel tax rates. Imposes a tax on a vehicle that accesses a street or highway and that is propelled by electricity of \$130 per year for FY20, \$175 per year for FY21, and \$198 per year for FY22. Imposes a tax on a vehicle that accesses a street or highway and that is propelled by a combination of electricity and other fuels of \$52 per year for FY20, \$70 per year for FY21, and \$80 per year for FY22. For FY23 and each year after, each of these tax rates is required to be adjusted for inflation. Prop. 108 applies.

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HB2549	VLT; alternative fuel classification; repeal							
					1st Read: 02/05 TRANS 02/13 - DP 4-1-0-2-0-0 WM 02/20 - DPA/SE 9-1-0-0-0-0 RULES None		SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI, BLACKMAN, et al 2nd Read: 02/06	

Comments: 3/8: Staff explained that this bill was amended to mirror SB 1332. The LPC took no action on this item.

2/8: Staff explained that this bill was for information only and that the repeal of the separate VLT statutes would generate a significant amount of new VLT revenue. The LPC took no action on this item.

Summary:

As Amended by House Ways & Means: Amended to be identical to SB 1332, as amended by Senate Transportation.

Original Bill: Repeals the separate vehicle license tax (VLT) classification for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuels. Under current law, alt. fuel vehicles are assessed at 1% of their value, and traditional vehicles are assessed at 60% of their value.

HB2556	agricultural property; uses; rural activities							
	1st Read: 03/04 WAG 03/14 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/25 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/05		1st Read: 02/05 WM 02/20 - DPA 10-0-0-0-0-0 LAG 02/21 - DP 6-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/06 02/28 - PASSED 56-4-0-0-0-0	SPONSORS: FINCHEM, BIASIUCCI, et al
	Rep Caucus: 03/26 Dem Caucus: 03/26				Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26			

Comments: 3/29: Staff explained there had been many concerns raised about exempting these properties from building code and zoning ordinances, as the counties cannot ensure the safety of the public without building codes. Staff also noted the stakeholders will be meeting shortly in an attempt to address the concerns of the counties. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill in its current form, without an amendment to ease their concerns.

-For the purposes of property tax classification, the definition of "agricultural real property" is expanded to include land and improvements devoted to "agritourism" (defined).

-For the purposes of county zoning, the definition of "general agricultural purposes" is expanded to include agritourism.

-"Agritourism" is defined as: any activity that allows members of the general public, for recreational, entertainment or educational purposes, to view, enjoy or participate in rural activities, including farming, ranching, historical, cultural, u-pick, harvest-your-own activities or natural activities and attractions if the activity is conducted in connection with a business whose primary income is derived from the production for commercial purposes of livestock or agricultural commodities.

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HB2614	elderly homeowners; class six property							SPONSORS: THORPE
					1st Read: 02/12 WM None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/13	
	<p>Comments: 2/15 staff explained the potential financial impact of the bill and that this bill has come up in previous sessions, but has not made it all the way through the process. The LPC decided not take a position on the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Classifies property owned by an individual qualified for the senior valuation freeze program as Class 6, if the value of the property is less than \$600,000 and the property is the owner's primary residence.</p>							
HB2646	department of agriculture; application review							SPONSORS: TELLER, ALLEN J, et al
	1st Read: 03/04 WAG 03/21 - DPA 5-0-2-0-0-0 RULES 03/25 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/05		1st Read: 02/12 LAG 02/21 - DP 6-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/26 - DP	2nd Read: 02/13 02/28 - PASSED 60-0-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 03/26 Dem Caucus: 03/26				Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26			
	<p>Comments: 3/29: Staff noted the review is in response to the Reconnect Program the USDA is working on to expand broadband services in rural areas.</p> <p>Summary: A person who is eligible to apply for the Rural E-connectivity Pilot Program established pursuant to the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018 is permitted to request that the Department of Agriculture review the person's application for accuracy, and the Dept cannot deny an applicant's request.</p>							
HB2672	vacation rentals; short-term rentals; regulation							SPONSORS: KAVANAGH, BARTO, et al
	1st Read: 03/12 COM 03/28 - DPA 4-2-2-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 02/13 GOV 02/21 - DPA 8-2-0-1-0-0 RULES 03/04 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0	03/07 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/14 03/11 - PASSED 41-19-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 04/02 Dem Caucus: 04/02				Maj Caucus: 03/05 Min Caucus: 03/05			
	<p>Comments: 2/15 Staff explained the bill noting this was an agreement between the vacation rental industry and communities in which short-term rentals are located. The LPC noted some concerns with placing additional burdens on property owners and concerns over bad actors in some communities. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.</p> <p>Summary: The list of purposes for which counties and municipalities are permitted to regulate short-term rentals is expanded to include restricting the maximum number of adult occupants allowed on the property at any one time to no more than two adults per sleeping room plus two adults, restricting the maximum number of guests, requiring the installation of safety and monitoring equipment that monitors and detects the level of noise and number of occupants on the property and transmittal of that information to the property owner or manager, and requiring the owner to provide contact information for the person responsible for responding to complaints at any time of day. Vacation rentals and short-term rentals are prohibited from being used for nonresidential uses, including a retail, restaurant, banquet space, event center or other similar use.</p>							

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HB2676	public officers; records; confidentiality 1st Read: 02/28 GOV 03/11 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - PFC Rep Caucus: 03/19 Dem Caucus: 03/19	03/20 - DP	2nd Read: 03/04		1st Read: 02/14 PS 02/20 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/20 - C&P 5-1-0-0-2-0 Maj Caucus: 02/25 Min Caucus: 02/25	02/26 - DP	2nd Read: 02/18 02/26 - PASSED 56-3-1-0-0-0	SPONSORS: ALLEN J
<p>Comments: 2/15 Staff explained this bill codifies existing practices. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.</p> <p>Summary: For the purpose of statute allowing eligible persons to file an affidavit to request county officers and state agencies prohibit access to that person's information contained in certain public records, the restricted information is modified to include any identifying information, including any of that person's documents, instead of only the person's residential address and telephone number.</p>								

HB2677	JLAC; auditor general 1st Read: 03/12 GOV 03/18 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 04/01 - PFC		2nd Read: 03/13		1st Read: 02/13 APPROP 02/20 - DPA 10-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/14 03/04 - PASSED 59-0-1-0-0-0	SPONSORS: KERN
<p>Comments: 2/15 Staff explained this would expand the Auditor Generals authority to investigate financial fraud. The LPC noted concern for expanding a non-elected official's authority and voted to OPPOSE the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Makes various changes relating to audits of public agencies. The Office of Auditor General (OAG) is required to conduct annual, instead of at least biennial, financial and compliance audits of financial transactions and accounts kept by or for all state agencies subject to the federal single audit requirements. The OAG is required, as resources allow, to conduct an investigation related to allegations of financial impropriety, malfeasance or nonfeasance of a state agency or of a political subdivision that is funded in whole or in part by tax revenue in connection with an audit authorized by law or on request of a state agency or specified public officers under specified circumstances. All officers of any state agency, board, commission, department, program or committee or any political subdivision and all contractors that contract with the state are required to afford reasonable and needed facilities for OAG staff and make records available in the form and at the time prescribed. The Joint Legislative Budget Committee is required to notify all members of the Legislature of the cost to conduct a special audit for any legislative measure that requires the OAG to perform a special audit. This information is required to be provided before the measure is scheduled for third read in the house of origin or in the house where the special audit provision was added. Modifies the list of factors a committee of reference must consider when determining the need for continuation or termination of an agency.</p> <p>Note: Staff is working on an amendment to revert A.R.S. 41-1279.04(B) to its original language to address our concern with the OAG attend their executive session meetings.</p>								

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HB2734	TPT; contractors; reform NOW: prime contracting; study committee							SPONSORS: COBB
					1st Read: 02/13 WM 02/20 - DPA/SE 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/25 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	02/27 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/14 02/28 - PASSED 60-0-0-0-0-0	
					Maj Caucus: 02/26 Min Caucus: 02/26			

Comments: 2/15 Staff noted that this is identical to a bill run in 2017. The bill would move almost everything that was previously taxed under prime contracting to be taxed at point of sale. There is potential for some counties to be unintentionally hurt because of a large variance in the amount of point of sale business vs. construction business from county to county. Staff is monitoring the bill and noted it may not have legs to move through the process. The LPC did not take action on the bill.

Summary: Repeals the Prime Contracting TPT Classification and establishes the Highway, Street and Bridge Classification and the Manufactured Building Classification. Everything not taxed under the two new classes that were taxed under Prime Contracting would be taxed at point of sale. Creates a municipal revenue sharing pool that collects 4% of prime contracting revenues from each city, to be allocated out to each city based on that city's percentage of construction permits.

HCR2023	constitutional property tax exemptions							SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI, CARROLL, et al
					1st Read: 02/05 WM None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/06	

Comments: 2/15 Staff explained this is an AACo bill brought forward to address issues with conflicting constitutional provisions that have impacted the ability of disabled, honorably discharged veterans to receive a property tax exemption. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Puts the question to the ballot of consolidating and reorganizing constitutional provisions relating to property tax exemptions for disabled veterans and widows, in addition to repealing and reinserting the constitutional sections relating to property tax exemptions overall.

Coincides with HB 2551, which makes necessary statutory changes, enacted conditionally upon the voters approving this HCR.

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SB1001	highway safety fee; repeal; VLT 1st Read: 01/14 APPROP 01/22 - DPA 9-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 01/28 - PFC	02/04 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/15 02/11 - PASSED 24-6-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 02/26 TRANS 03/27 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0 APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/27	SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
	Rep Caucus: 01/29 Dem Caucus: 01/29							

Comments: 1/17 Staff explained the potential impact to county transportation and general fund revenues as well as the potential impact to the states structural balance. Noting that the fee is necessary to protect Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) from being used to fund DPS. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Repeals the highway safety fee that was previously required to be in an amount established by the Director of the Department of Transportation (ADOT) annually in order to fund 110 percent of the Department of Public Safety (DPS) Highway Patrol budget for each fiscal year. Set by the ADOT director at \$32, effective December 1, 2018.

Repeals changes to the valuation formula for the separate vehicle license tax (VLT) classification for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuels that are purchased on or after January 1, 2020, which would have become effective January 1, 2020. Duplicate bill HB 2019 highway safety fee; repeal; VLT..(Lawrence)
Estimated county impact is (\$623K) in FY20 and (\$1.25M) in FY21 in VLT revenue for transportation. (\$2.6M) in FY20 and (\$5.25M) in FY21 in VLT revenue deposited in county general funds. Additionally there is a potential for the department to be funded out of HURF again (\$8.9M) in FY20 and FY21 if full HURF shifts are reinstated.

SB1032	on-site early voting; identification required 1st Read: 01/14 JUD None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/15					SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
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Comments: 1/17 Staff explained the bill would require all early voting locations to check ID prior to providing a ballot. Today when at an early voting location the signature is verified. Staff indicated the review was for informational purposes, pending feedback from election officials.

Summary: Requires on-site early voting locations to require each elector to present and confirm identification as prescribed by statute before receiving a ballot.

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SB1046	early voting list; mailing ballot 1st Read: 01/14		2nd Read: 01/15					SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
	JUD 01/24 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 01/28 - PFC	02/06 - DPA						
	Rep Caucus: 01/29 Dem Caucus: 01/29							

Comments: 1/17 Staff explained the bill and indicated the review was for informational purposes today, pending feedback from election officials. The Board discussed some of the concerns with the bill, potential unintended consequences and the need to ensure timeliness in our elections.

Summary: Requires all electors on Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL) to return an early ballot by mail and prohibits on-site drop off at an early voting location or in person on Election Day. An elector on PEVL that does not mail in the early ballot may vote a provisional ballot in person on Election Day at that elector's designated polling location.

SB1064	court security officers; certification; powers 1st Read: 01/16		2nd Read: 01/17		1st Read: 02/26		2nd Read: 02/27	SPONSORS: BORRELLI
	GOV 01/28 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/04 - PFC	CON CAL - 02/04 Object: No	02/11 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		JUD 03/13 - DPA 7-3-0-0-0-0 RULES None			
	Rep Caucus: 02/05 Dem Caucus: 02/05							

Comments: 3/29: Staff explained the bill was going to be further amended on the floor after struggling to pass the House Judiciary Committee. The amendment will remove language granting court security officers the status of law enforcement officers, but maintains the same duties of the officers originally agreed upon by the counties.

3/8: Staff explained concerns had been raised about the broad nature of the bill. However, the stakeholders have agreed to amendment language that would ease county concerns by more clearly defining the powers and duties of a court security officer. With the understanding that the amendment will be adopted, the LPC voted to take a NEUTRAL position on the bill.

Authorizes courts to employ certified court security officers that possess all of the law enforcement powers of a peace officer. Directs the courts to train and certify the court security officers. Prohibits the court security officers from being eligible for PSPRS or CORP.

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SB1068	detention officers; arrest warrant; custody 1st Read: 01/16 TPS 01/30 - DPA 8-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/04 - PFC	02/11 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/17 02/12 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 02/26 PS 03/20 - DP 6-0-0-0-1-0 RULES 04/01 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 04/01 Object: No	2nd Read: 02/27	SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON
	Rep Caucus: 02/05 Dem Caucus: 02/05				Maj Caucus: 04/02 Min Caucus: 04/02			
	Comments: 2/1: Staff noted this is an AACo bill gives detention officers the ability to execute an arrest warrant and is aimed at freeing up sworn sheriff deputies. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.							
	Summary: Extends when a detention officer may deliver a warrant to arrest a person to include: a hospital facility, justice or municipal court facility, or a person who is within a jail facility is who is found to have an outstanding warrant. In addition, a detention officer may take custody of a person whom a judicial officer remands into custody during a court proceeding.							
SB1090	emergency voting procedures; board action 1st Read: 01/17 JUD 01/31 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/04 - PFC	CON CAL - 02/04 Object: Yes 02/25 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/22 02/27 - PASSED 16-14-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/05 ELECT 03/19 - DPA 6-4-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/25 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0		2nd Read: 03/06	SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
	Rep Caucus: 02/05 Dem Caucus: 02/05				Maj Caucus: 03/26 Min Caucus: 03/26			
	Comments: 2/8: Staff explained the bill and recommend opposing the bill until an agreement can be worked out between the sponsor and AACo. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.							
	Summary: Requires electors requesting to vote early due to an emergency to sign an affidavit under penalty of perjury that it is an emergency. Requires the board of supervisors to designate emergency voting locations by resolution. Requires ID for early voters.							
	AACo is working with the sponsor to finalize an amendment that will bring in language from the Senate Engrossed version of SB 1466 (Gray) last year.							
SB1135	public records; responses 1st Read: 01/22 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/23					SPONSORS: BOWIE, JERMAINE, et al
	Comments: 2/1: Staff noted there have been concerns with the 10 day time frame and if it starts moving staff will reengage for a formal position.							
	Establishes at least 10 business days must pass before a request is considered denied for failure to respond promptly to a request for a public record. Establishes that a response may include: 1) record in the form request; 2) notification that the request is under review; 3) notification of denial; and 4) notification that the record is not maintained and where the information may be found.							

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SB1146	PSPRS; EORP; CORP; modifications				SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON			
	1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24		1st Read: 02/26		2nd Read: 02/27	
	FIN 01/30 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 02/04 Object: No	02/07 - PASSED		GOV 03/07 - DP 8-1-0-0-2-0	CON CAL - 03/18	03/27 - PASSED	
	RULES 02/04 - PFC		30-0-0-0-0-0		RULES 03/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	Object: No	58-2-0-0-0-0	
	Rep Caucus: 02/05 Dem Caucus: 02/05				Maj Caucus: 03/19 Min Caucus: 03/19			
	Transmitted to Governor: 03/28 Signed: 04/01							

Comments: 2/1: Staff noted this bill attempts to rollback some major pension reforms done in 2011 in an effort to avoid additional lawsuits. The LPC voted to be NEUTRAL on the bill.

Summary: Makes various changes to statutes governing EORP, CORP, and PSPRS, in an attempt rollback 2011 pension reform provisions.

-Retroactive to July 20, 2011, permits an active elected official who became a member of EORP before January 1, 2012, or an active member who became a member of PSPRS or CORP before January 1, 2012 to redeem any amount of eligible prior service without having to have accrued any minimum amount of credited service in the plan.

-Retroactive to July 1, 2017, for PSPRS or CORP members enrolled before July 1, 2017, specifies the discount rate is the assumed rate of return that is prescribed by the PSPRS Board.

-By June 30, 2019, authorizes the PSPRS Board to choose to require interest to be paid on monies returned to members of a retirement plan or system under the jurisdiction of the board for the period of time between the transaction until a date to be determined by the PSPRS Board, but not later than the effective date of this legislation.

SB1164	ombudsman-citizens aide; executive session; access				SPONSORS: FARNSWORTH D. (16), CONTRERAS, et al			
	1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24		1st Read: 02/26		2nd Read: 02/27	
	GOV 02/04 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 02/11 Object: No	02/14 - PASSED		GOV 03/14 - DP 11-0-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 03/25		
	RULES 02/11 - PFC		29-0-1-0-0-0		RULES 03/25 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0	Object: No		
	Rep Caucus: 02/12 Dem Caucus: 02/12				Maj Caucus: 03/26 Min Caucus: 03/26			

Comments: 2/8: Staff described that the Ombudsman-Citizens Aide's office explained in the Senate Government committee that they view this as an authority they already have, but want it affirmed. Staff also mentioned there have been some concerns raised about this bill but they would continue to follow the issue. The LPC did not take a position.

Summary: Authorizes the The Obmudsman-Citizens Aide to access minutes and discussions made during executive session of a public body, when investigating alleged violations of public meeting law.

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SB1165	prohibition; texting while driving NOW: texting while driving; prohibition 1st Read: 01/23		2nd Read: 01/24		SPONSORS: BROPHY MCGEE, BRADLEY, et al			
	TPS 02/20 - DPA/SE 7-1-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/25 - PFC	03/04 - DPA	03/04 - PASSED		1st Read: 03/05 TRANS 03/13 - DPA 5-1-0-1-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/06	

Comments: 2/8: Staff explained the bill noting it aligns with the December Distracted Driving Resolution passed by the Board. There will be two bills running concurrently, HB 2531 will be amended with the same language and run through the House. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Requires anyone (with limited exceptions) operating a motor vehicle from using a handheld portable wireless communication device unless the vehicle is stopped or parked. Allows for the device to be mounted in the vehicle so the driver may tap or swipe to operate the device.

Makes the violation a primary petty offense. Fines for a violation are at least \$75 but not more than \$149 for the 1st violation and \$150 but not more than \$250 for a 2nd offense.

SB1203	axle fees; commercial vehicles; repeal 1st Read: 01/28		2nd Read: 01/29		SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON			
	TPS 02/06 - DP 7-1-0-0-0-0 APPROP None RULES None							

Comments: 2/8: Staff explained that this bill would be removing a fee that has the potential to fund transportation infrastructure along the Arizona-Mexico border, and was backed by Santa Cruz County during the 2018 legislative session. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Repeals statute authorizing the Department of Transportation to establish axle fees on nonresidents operating a foreign vehicle or foreign vehicle combination that enters Arizona by crossing the border between Arizona and Mexico in the furtherance of a commercial enterprise.

SB1235	possessory improvements; government property; assessment 1st Read: 01/29		2nd Read: 01/30		SPONSORS: MESNARD			
	FIN 02/06 - DPA 9-0-1-0-0-0 RULES 02/11 - PFC	02/27 - DPA	02/28 - PASSED		1st Read: 03/05 WM 03/13 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0	03/21 - DPA	2nd Read: 03/06	

Rep Caucus: 02/19
Dem Caucus: 02/19

Maj Caucus: 03/19
Min Caucus: 03/19

Comments: 2/15 Staff noted this is an AACo proposal that would allow the county assessor to use a hybrid valuation for private property on leased government land. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Allows improvements on possessory rights to be valued as real property, using a limited property value.

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SB1236	tax liens; fees; certificate expiration 1st Read: 01/29 FIN 02/06 - DP 9-0-1-0-0-0 RULES 02/11 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19	CON CAL - 02/11 Object: No	2nd Read: 01/30 02/20 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 02/26 WM 03/13 - DP 10-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 03/19 Min Caucus: 03/19	CON CAL - 03/18 Object: No	2nd Read: 02/27	SPONSORS: MESNARD
<p>Comments: 2/15 Staff explained this is an AACo bill to provide clarity that outstanding fees to a parcel are able to be recouped by the county as part of a tax lien sale. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Includes any outstanding fees attached to a parcel in the aggregate tax lien sale amount.</p>								
SB1241	state parks board; heritage fund 1st Read: 01/29 NRE 02/06 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 APPROP 02/19 - DP 8-1-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/25 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/26 Dem Caucus: 02/26	CON CAL - 02/25 Object: No	2nd Read: 01/30 02/28 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/05 NREW 03/19 - DP 10-0-0-0-3-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/06	SPONSORS: BROPHY MCGEE, BOYER, et al
<p>Comments: 3/8: Staff explained the the Stake Parks Heritage Fund was swept and repealed during the Great Recession and that this bill is attempting to reestablish the Fund, but clarified that the bill contains no appropriation. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.</p> <p>Establishes the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund, consisting of legislative appropriations, grants and donations to benefit State Parks, historic preservation projects, non-motorized trails and environmental education projects.</p>								
SB1248	property taxes; valuation; property modifications 1st Read: 01/30 FIN 02/20 - DPA 8-2-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/27 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/27 Dem Caucus: 02/27	02/27 - RETAINED 02/28 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/31 03/04 - PASSED 19-11-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/06 WM 03/13 - DPA 8-2-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 03/07	SPONSORS: LEACH
<p>Comments: 3/8: Staff explained that CSA had received a lot of concerns regarding the bill in its original form and that the bill had been amended to try and ease some concerns of the Assessors. The LPC exclaimed there were still concerns after the adoption of the amendment. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.</p> <p>The bill modifies the circumstances under which a property's LPV is established at or at a percentage of its FCV. This includes 1) modifications to a property whereby the total added value from the project equals at least 20% of the FCV of the property in the current tax year, 2) the subdivision of a property, and 3) the splitting or consolidation of a property whereby the total value increase is equal to or greater than 20% of the FCV in the preceding valuation year.</p>								

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SB1285	construction contracts; public works; payments 1st Read: 01/30 GOV 02/11 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19	CON CAL - 02/18 Object: Yes 02/25 - DPA	2nd Read: 01/31 02/27 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/05 COM 03/12 - DPA 9-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 03/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 03/19 Min Caucus: 03/19	03/21 - RET ON CAL	SPONSORS: BORRELLI, FANN 2nd Read: 03/06	
<p>Comments: 3/29: Staff noted that feedback has been provided to the subcontractors and we are waiting to hear if they are willing to make any changes and encouraged Supervisors to share their concerns with the bill as drafted. 3/15 Staff shared that an amendment was added to restore counties ability to retain up to 10% of progress payments instead of 5% and we are working on getting an amendment for the floor to address our other issues. 2/21 Staff explained the bill noting some of the concerns that have come up are reduction in the progress payments being withheld, lack of clarity in the payment structure to the subcontractor, and reduce the counties ability to have the prime hold the subcontractor accountable for the workman ship. The Board noted that the construction business has a lot of protracted legal issues and it is something we don't want to get caught in the middle. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill and seek amendments.</p> <p>Summary: The bill changes the payment and complaint process requirements on public construction contracts. Some of the changes include 1) modifying the amount withheld from the progress payments until completion from 10 percent to 5 percent; 2) giving both the contractor and subcontractor ability to require progress payments from the county; and 3) requires the county to specify the reason for not approving a progress payments.</p>								

SB1292	misconduct involving weapons; classification 1st Read: 01/30 JUD 02/21 - DP 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/27 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/27 Dem Caucus: 02/27	03/05 - RETAINED 03/11 - RETAINED	2nd Read: 01/31				SPONSORS: GOWAN	
<p>Comments: 2/8: Staff noted the police organizations and current feedback from Sheriff's note that they are opposed to the reducing the penalty as it strips away counties ability to keep our buildings safe. The LPC noted they are opposed to the idea of the bill but did not take a position.</p> <p>Summary: The classification for misconduct involving weapons for entering any public establishment or attending any public event and carrying a deadly weapon after a reasonable request by the operator of the establishment or sponsor of the event to remove the weapon and pace it in temporary secure storage is reduced to a petty offense, from a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor. The classification for misconduct involving weapons for entering an election polling place on election day carrying a deadly weapon is reduced to a class 3 (lowest) misdemeanor, from a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor.</p>								

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SB1332	alternative fuel vehicles; VLT 1st Read: 01/31 TPS 02/13 - DPA 7-0-1-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - PFCA Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19	02/21 - DPA	2nd Read: 02/04 02/25 - PASSED 29-0-1-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/06 WM 03/13 - DP 8-0-0-1-1-0 RULES 03/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 03/19 Min Caucus: 03/19	CON CAL - 03/18 Object: No	SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON, BIASIUCCI 2nd Read: 03/07	

Comments: 3/8: Staff explained that the bill was amended to have new alternative fuel vehicles begin paying full VLT starting in 2023, rather than 2024. The LPC took no action on this item.

2/8: Staff explained that this was for information only and that this bill would repeal provisions of Laws 2018, Chapter 265 that increased the VLT revenues that counties would receive in FY20 and FY21. However, the taxing of alternative fuel vehicles at the same level as traditional vehicles would increase VLT revenues in the long-run. The LPC took no action on this item.

Summary:

As amended by Senate Transportation: For alternative fuel vehicles initially registered in 2022, sets the value of the vehicle at 20% of the base retail value. For alternative fuel vehicles initially registered in 2023 and beyond, VLT is assessed the same as traditionally powered vehicles (at 60% of the base retail value). Original Bill: For the separate vehicle license tax classification for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuels, the motor vehicle value for the first 12 months of the life of a motor vehicle registered in Arizona before January 1, 2022 is one percent of the manufacturer's base retail price, instead of the value for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuels that are purchased on or after January 1, 2020 being a percentage of the manufacturer's base retail price as set by the Dept. Establishes new calculations for the motor vehicle value of vehicles that are initially registered in Arizona in 2022 and 2023. From 2024 forward, requires that alternative fuel vehicles pay the same VLT as traditional vehicles.

Effective January 1, 2020.

SB1441	county officers; confidentiality; e-mail 1st Read: 02/05 GOV 02/11 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19	CON CAL - 02/18 Object: No	2nd Read: 02/06 02/21 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 02/26 GOV 03/07 - DP 9-0-0-0-2-0 RULES 03/18 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 03/19 Min Caucus: 03/19	CON CAL - 03/18 Object: No	SPONSORS: PRATT 2nd Read: 02/27	
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Comments: 2/15 Staff noted this is an AACo bill focused on protecting constituents who opt-in to receive services via email from having their email addresses spammed. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Requires county assessors and county treasurers to maintain the confidentiality of e-mail addresses provided by county residents who request to receive information and notices from these county offices by e-mail. Specifies this does not limit or prohibit the public from inspecting or copying other records pursuant to public records law that contain e-mail addresses provided by county residents.

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SB1444	state lake improvement fund; counties				SPONSORS: BORRELLI			
	1st Read: 02/05		2nd Read: 02/06		1st Read: 03/14		2nd Read: 03/18	
	APPROP 02/12 - DP 6-3-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 02/18 Object: Yes	03/04 - PASSED		GOV 03/28 - FAILED 3-8-0-0-0-0			
	RULES 02/18 - PFC	02/28 - DP	17-13-0-0-0-0		RULES None			
	Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19							

Comments: 3/29: Staff explained the strike-everything amendment to SB 1444 was killed by the House Government Committee 3-8 and urged Supervisors to reach out to the legislators on the committee that voted no and thank them for their support.

Strike-everything amendment brings in language from HB 2001, which requires a board of supervisors to accept, without interference, all federal grant, award or other monies intended to supplement the approved budget of a law enforcement or prosecution agency.

3/15 HB 2001: Staff noted, thanks to support from the Supervisors in getting Legislators and Sheriffs to oppose, the bill did not receive an Appropriations Committee hearing and is therefore dead. Staff will continue to monitor legislation to make sure the issue doesn't pop up once again in some form.

1/17 HB 2001: Staff explained the bill substantially erodes the Board's ability to provide proper oversight of public dollars. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

2/15 staff provided the bill for information only and explained the majority of the State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) revenues come from a percentage of the gas tax and 15 percent of watercraft license fees. The LPC noted additional details would be needed before weighing in on the bill. In addition there was discussion on impact to rural counties who have a large number of out of town visitors at their lakes without corresponding gas purchases. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: The Arizona State Parks Board is required to separately account for monies that are collected in each county and distributed in the SLIF. The Board is required to distribute SLIF monies to each county on a quarterly basis in an amount that corresponds to the monies collected in that county. Counties are required to use the SLIF monies for a list of specified purposes.

SB1445	parks board; deputy; senate confirmation				SPONSORS: BORRELLI			
	NOW: pipeline valuation							
	1st Read: 02/05		2nd Read: 02/06		1st Read: 03/07		2nd Read: 03/11	
	NRE 02/20 - DPA/SE 6-1-0-0-0-0	02/28 - DPA	03/04 - PASSED		WM 03/20 - DP 9-0-0-0-1-0	CON CAL - 03/25		
	RULES 02/27 - PFC		29-1-0-0-0-0		RULES 03/25 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0	Object: Yes		
	Rep Caucus: 02/27 Dem Caucus: 02/27							

Comments: 3/8: Staff explained the background of the Transwestern Pipeline Company v. DOR lawsuits and that the lawsuits had ultimately favored the Transwestern Pipeline Company, resulting in refunds from all entities that levy a property tax on the pipeline. It was explained that the issue is recurring because DOR is unable to account for economic obsolescence in the valuation of a pipeline and that this bill would correct that. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Requires DOR, in determination of the value of a pipeline, to provide adjustments for economic obsolescence.

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SB1448	alarm systems; low-voltage electric fences 1st Read: 02/05 TPS 02/13 - DP 7-0-1-0-0-0 RULES 02/18 - PFC Rep Caucus: 02/19 Dem Caucus: 02/19	CON CAL - 02/18 Object: No	2nd Read: 02/06 02/21 - PASSED 28-2-0-0-0-0		1st Read: 03/05 RA 03/18 - DP 5-1-0-0-1-0 RULES 03/25 - C&P 7-0-0-0-1-0 Maj Caucus: 03/26 Min Caucus: 03/26	CON CAL - 03/25 Object: No	SPONSORS: FARNSWORTH E. (12) 2nd Read: 03/06	

Comments: 2/15 Staff explained this would not impact agricultural or residential properties, but is intended for commercial properties with an enclosed electric fence connected to a larger alarm system. The LPC did not take action on the bill.

Summary: For the purpose of regulation of alarm agents and alarm businesses, the definition of "alarm" or "alarm system" is expanded to include a "low-voltage electric fence" (defined as a fence with an electric fence energizer that is powered by a commercial storage batter with a rated voltage of up to 12 volts and that produces an electric charge on contact with the fence, and that meets other specified requirements). The regulation of low-voltage electric fence alarm systems is of statewide concern and is not subject to further regulation by a county, municipality or other political subdivision.

SB1460	TPT; digital goods and services 1st Read: 02/11 FIN 02/13 - DPA 6-4-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/25 - PFC Rep Caucus: 03/12 Dem Caucus: 03/12		2nd Read: 02/12				SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA	
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Comments: 3/15: Staff noted that the idea of an amendment that satisfied our concerns was rejected by the bill proponents, with no current communication going on between both sides, thus holding up the bill. Staff also explained that the Senate President has stated she will not put the bill up for a vote without confirmation that the bill has the votes to pass. It seems unlikely at this time that 16 supporting votes exist and staff will continue to speak with the concerned Senators to ensure they do not support the bill in its current form.

3/8: Staff explained that conversations had been taking place with ATRA and the League in understanding the impacts of the bill and seeking to ease concerns. Staff noted one of the biggest concerns with the bill is that the new tax classification is not structured in a traditional TPT model and states only two things are taxable, while everything else is not taxable in the bill. This is opposite of the traditional manner in which all things are taxable, unless specifically exempted. Staff explained ATRA was unwilling to address this issue, but that there was potentially an amendment coming to fruition in the Senate that would address our concerns. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill in its current form, but left open the ability for staff to advocate from a neutral position if Senate Leadership supports the proposed amendment.

2/8: Staff explained that due to advances in technology, things that were once taxable in tangible form are now in an electronic format and there are differing opinions on how they should be taxed. The bill also attempts to draw a line between what is a good and what is a service. Staff reminded the committee that CSA took a position of opposition to this bill in 2018, but that this version was slightly different. The LPC did not take a position.

Summary: Excludes the sale, lease, licensing, purchase or use of "digital services" from TPT and use tax. Establishes the digital goods classification of TPT, comprised of the business of selling, leasing or licensing the use of "prewritten computer software" or providing "specified digital goods". Establishes a list of exemptions from the digital goods classification. Levies an excise tax on using or consuming prewritten computer software and specified digital goods in Arizona as a percentage of the acquisition price, which applies to any purchaser that purchases these items for resale but that subsequently uses or consumes the items. Describes how prewritten computer software and specified digital goods are sourced.

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SB1519	flood control districts; procedures 1st Read: 02/06 WAG 02/21 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 02/07					SPONSORS: KERR

Comments: 2/15 Staff explained some of the concerns with the bill including restricting a flood control district's ability to consider the impact to adjacent private property, the impact to federal flood insurance rates, and rule-making requirements. The LPC expressed their concern with the legislation noting it would increase costs and create havoc. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Makes significant changes to a flood control districts ability to restrict extraction of aggregate, floodplain use permits, rule making procedures, substantive policy statements and licensing time frames.