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**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
AGENDA
February 7, 2020
(Conducted Via Teleconference and Webinar)
Teleconference 1-669-900-9128 OR 1-646-558-8656
[Web Link](#)
County Supervisors Association
1905 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ**

9:00 a.m. Call to Order ~ *President Rudy Molera*

A) Approval of the Minutes of the January 31, 2020, Legislative Policy Committee Meeting
(previously distributed)

B) CSA Legislative Agenda

- 1) [CSA Legislative Budget Priorities](#)
 - a) [HB 2350 counties; committed youth contributions; repeal](#) (Toma)
 - b) \$3 million - Presidential Preference Election
 - c) Contain County ALTCS Contributions
 - d) Increase Transportation Investment
- 2) [SB 1280 pensions; unfunded liability; expenditure limits](#) (Mesnard)
- 3) [SB 1554 short-term rental enforcement; penalties](#) (Brophy McGee) / [SCR 1042 short-term rentals; vacation rentals](#) (Brophy McGee)
- 4) [SB 1490 short-term rental properties; classification](#) (Mesnard)
- 5) [SB 1303 annexation of territory; requirements](#) (Pratt)
- 6) [HB 2123 appropriation; heritage fund.](#) (Osborne) / [SB 1085 appropriation; heritage fund](#) (Brophy McGee)
- 7) [HB 2478 rural counties; transient lodging tax](#) (Pierce)
- 8) [HB 2479 juvenile dependency; state aid; appropriation](#) (Biasiucci)
- 9) [HB 2581 dangerous; incompetent person; evaluation; commitment](#) (J. Allen)

C) Legislative Bills for Discussion

- 1) [HB 2249 personal representatives; funeral directors; prohibition](#) (Bolick)
- 2) [HB 2293 renewable energy storage equipment; valuation](#) (Dunn)
- 3) [HB 2313 fire sprinklers; existing buildings; prohibition](#) (Grantham)
- 4) [HB 2386 county free library districts; programs](#) (Udall)
- 5) [HB 2404 TPT; prime contracting; exemptions; certificates](#) (Cobb)
- 6) [HB 2442 highway safety fee repeal](#) (Biasiucci)
- 7) [HB 2445 right to redeem; lien sale](#) (Kern)
- 8) [HB 2608 overdose; disease prevention; programs](#) (Rivero)
- 9) [HB 2616 noxious weeds; government projects](#) (Griffin)
- 10) [HB 2717 treasurer; pension prefunding; investment accounts](#) (Kavanagh)
- 11) [SB 1398 tax omnibus](#) (Mesnard)
- 12) [SB 1416 claims; liability; notice](#) (D. Farnsworth)
- 13) [SB 1436 TPT; exemption; public safety equipment.](#) (Gowan)
- 14) [SB 1459 private attorney retention; municipalities; counties](#) (Leach)
- 15) [SB 1527 e-liquids; tobacco products; vapor products](#) (Leach)
- 16) [SB 1664 civil liability; gun-free zones](#) (Gowan)
- 17) [SB 1665 misconduct involving weapons; classification](#) (Gowan)

- D) Other Legislative Issues
- E) Next Meeting Date and Time (*Friday, February 14, at 9:00 a.m.*)
- F) Other Business
- G) Adjourn

List: CSA Bills

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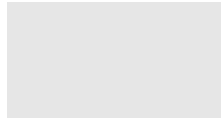
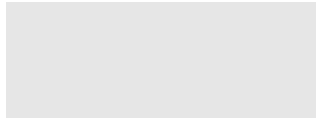
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HB2123	appropriation; heritage fund.				SPONSORS: OSBORNE			
	Comments: Appropriates \$10 million from the state general fund in FY 2020-2021 to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission Heritage Fund.							
HB2350	counties; committed youth contributions; repeal				SPONSORS: TOMA, BOLICK, et al			
					1st Read: 01/21		2nd Read: 01/22	
					GOV 01/30 - DP 11-0-0-0-0-0	CON CAL - 02/03 Object: Yes		
					RULES 02/03 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0			
					Maj Caucus: 02/04 Min Caucus: 02/04			
	Comments: Repeals the Department of Juvenile Corrections local cost sharing fund and the related statute that directs the Department to assess a committed youth confinement cost sharing fee to larger counties. Transfers the fund's remaining unexpended and unencumbered monies to the general fund. Distributes that amount back to the counties proportionally via the Department of Administration in FY 2020-2021.							
HB2478	rural counties; transient lodging tax				SPONSORS: PIERCE			
	Comments: Permits the board of supervisors of a county with a population of less than 500,000 persons to collect a local excise tax on the gross proceeds of sales/gross income of transient lodging and online lodging marketplaces. Caps these taxes at 6% and limits them to unincorporated areas of the county. Specifies that revenues generated from this tax be used to (1) promote and enhance county tourism or (2) facilitate economic development activities (11-254.04). States that this tax will be levied on either January 1 or July 1, depending on which day occurs at least three months after the resolution for the tax is approved.							
HB2479	juvenile dependency; state aid; appropriation				SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI, ALLEN J			
					1st Read: 01/29		2nd Read: 01/30	
					JUD None			
					APPROP None			
					RULES None			
	Comments: Appropriates \$2 million in FY 2020-2021, exempt from lapsing, to the newly established State Aid for Juvenile Dependency Proceedings Fund under the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC). Specifies that the fund will be used to provide state aid to county public defenders, legal defenders, and contract indigent defense council for juvenile dependency cases. Directs the ACJC to distribute annual money using the State Aid to Indigent Defense Fund to counties where the running three-year average of juvenile dependency case filings exceeds the three year average of juvenile dependency case filings in the years 2011-2014. Specifies that the money is to be distributed in manner proportional to the county's share of the state's population and can only be used for the purposes of State Aid for Juvenile Dependency Proceedings Fund.							

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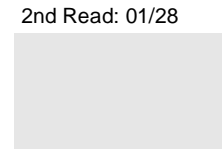
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HB2581 dangerous; incompetent person; evaluation; commitment SPONSORS: ALLEN J



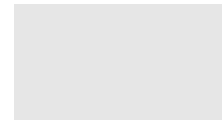
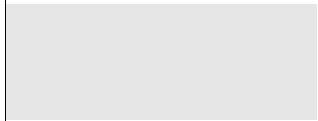
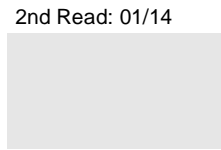
1st Read: 01/27
JUD None
RULES None



Comments: Establishes a civil commitment process for dangerous individuals charged with crimes that cannot complete the criminal justice process because they have been found to be incompetent to stand trial and cannot be restored to competency. The proposed process provides protections to ensure due process during the commitment proceedings, including an annual examination and petition process to evaluate if the defendant is still dangerous.

SB1085 appropriation; heritage fund SPONSORS: BROPHY MCGEE

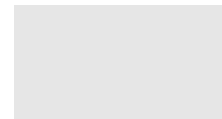
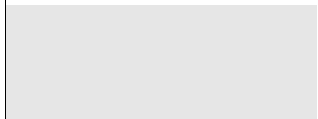
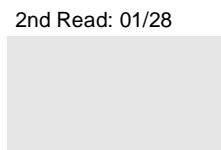
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APPROP None
RULES None



Comments: Appropriates \$10 million from the state general fund in FY 2020-2021 to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission Heritage Fund.

SB1280 pensions; unfunded liability; expenditure limits SPONSORS: MESNARD, GRAY

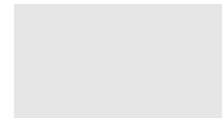
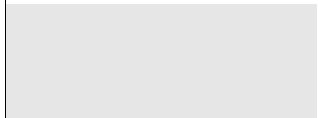
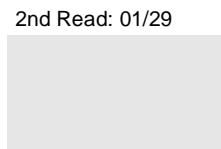
1st Read: 01/27
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RULES None



Comments: Clarifies that county contributions to pay public pension debt are excluded from county expenditure limits.

SB1303 annexation of territory; requirements SPONSORS: PRATT

1st Read: 01/28
GOV None
RULES None



Comments: Prohibits annexations that create county islands by leaving behind a portion of unincorporated county land that is surrounded by a city or town or a combination of cities and towns.

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SB1335	tourism marketing authorities 1st Read: 01/28 COM None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/29					SPONSORS: PACE, BOWIE
Comments: Allows for the formation of compulsory Tourism Marketing Districts, (TMD) through a public-private partnership between a city, town or county and the businesses designated to a specific district.								
SB1490	short-term rental properties; classification 1st Read: 02/03 FIN None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/04					SPONSORS: MESNARD
Comments: Establishes a clear definition of commercial activity for property tax classification for short term vacation rentals.								

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HB2249	personal representatives; funeral directors; prohibition							SPONSORS: BOLICK
					1st Read: 01/21 RA 01/27 - DPA 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/03 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/04 Min Caucus: 02/04		2nd Read: 01/22	

Comments:

Summary: Prohibits a funeral director or funeral establishment owner who controls an individual's remains from seeking appointment as that same individual's personal representative.

HB2293	renewable energy storage equipment; valuation							SPONSORS: DUNN, COBB
					1st Read: 01/23 WM 01/29 - DP 8-2-0-0-0-0 RULES 02/03 - C&P 8-0-0-0-0-0 Maj Caucus: 02/04 Min Caucus: 02/04	CON CAL - 02/03 Object: Yes	2nd Read: 01/27	

Comments:

Summary: Exempts utility-bought energy storage equipment from the transaction privilege tax (TPT) retail classification (and thus TPT), use tax, and city/municipal transaction privilege tax, sales tax, use tax, or any similar tax. Specifies that all energy storage equipment - renewable or otherwise - be centrally valued and allows energy storage equipment the same depreciation (and reduced value) allotted to renewable energy equipment for property tax. Adds construction of "renewable energy storage equipment" to the list of reasons a city/town can designate a renewable energy incentive district.

HB2313	fire sprinklers; existing buildings; prohibition							SPONSORS: GRANTHAM
					1st Read: 01/23 RA 02/03 - DPA 4-3-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 01/27	

Comments:

Summary: Prohibits a fire district, municipality, and county board of supervisors from requiring a person or entity to install fire sprinklers in a building (1) that allows three hundred or more occupants, (2) that is licensed to serve alcoholic beverages, and (3) that was not required to have fire sprinklers when originally constructed, except if the owner undertakes a major renovation or remodel (defined). Prohibits a fire district, municipality, and county board of supervisors from imposing a fine or penalty on a person or entity for choosing not to equip fire sprinklers in these buildings.

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HB2386	county free library districts; programs						SPONSORS: UDALL, CAMPBELL, et al	
					1st Read: 01/23 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/27	

Comments:

Summary: Specifies that a county free library district may offer/provide funding for (1) making information, technology, and resources available to patrons, (2) providing a place for studying, researching, reading, and learning, (3) providing educational and informational programs for all age groups, and (4) providing literacy promotion programs for all age groups.

HB2404	TPT; prime contracting; exemptions; certificates						SPONSORS: COBB	
					1st Read: 01/27 WM None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/28	

Comments: 1/31: Staff noted that we are waiting to hear more about the economic impact this could have on rural counties.

Summary: Changes the definition of "alteration" for the purpose of taxing contracting activities. The bill provides that certificates use to purchase materials exempt from retail tax be limited to 1 year for contracts entered after December 31, 2020.

HB2442	highway safety fee repeal						SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI, BLACKMAN, et al	
					1st Read: 01/29 TRANS None APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/30	

Comments: Summary: Repeals the highway safety fee.

HB2445	right to redeem; lien; sale						SPONSORS: KERN	

Comments: Summary: Makes various modifications to the tax lien process, including:

- Moves all administrative authorities surrounding the sale of the property from the BOS to the county treasurer.
- Removes the ability of the lien investor to obtain the property in the event the taxpayer fails to pay the back taxes, instead, granting the investor only the debts and agreed upon interest rate. The county treasurer then sells the property at auction, providing any profit back to the taxpayer.
- Authorizes the Treasurer to utilize a 3rd party in the sale of the property.
- Allocates a 3% profit to the 3rd party if the property is sold above and beyond the amount needed.

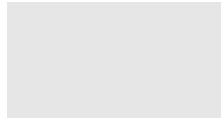
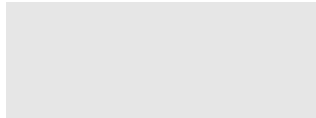
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HB2608 overdose; disease prevention; programs

SPONSORS: RIVERO

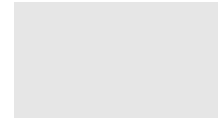


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2nd Read: 01/29

HHS None

RULES None

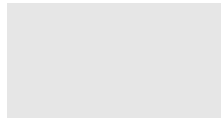
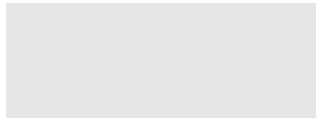


Comments:

Summary: Allows a municipality, county, or NGO to establish/operate an overdose and disease prevention program. Sets out the program directives (reducing needle-stick injuries, the spread of viral hepatitis, increasing proper syringe disposal, e.t.c). Requires the programs to offer (1) needle exchange programs, (2) kits that contain access to naloxone [or referrals to other programs w/ naloxone], and (3) educational materials. Specifies that a program employee, volunteer, or participant can't be charged or prosecuted for possession of a (1) needle/syringe [only if that needle/syringe is from the program], and (2) a residual amount of controlled substance in a used needle/syringe. Specifies the immunity provision is notwithstanding by 13-3401-61, which covers drug offenses.

HB2616 noxious weeds; government projects

SPONSORS: GRIFFIN

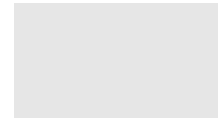


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2nd Read: 02/03

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RULES None

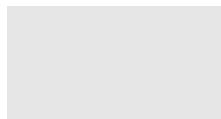
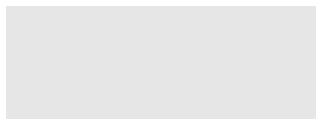


Comments:

Summary: Allows the state and its political subdivisions to remove noxious weeds (defined in 3-201) as part of routine maintenance and capital projects. Prevents the state and subdivisions from using those same noxious weeds in landscaping.

HB2717 treasurer; pension prefunding; investment accounts

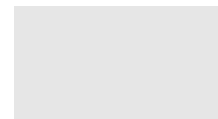
SPONSORS: KAVANAGH



1st Read: 02/04

GOV None

RULES None



Comments:

Summary: Authorizes the State Treasurer to invest and reinvest pension prefunding plan monies in equity securities for pension prefunding plan investment accounts.

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SB1398	tax omnibus 1st Read: 01/29 FIN None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/30					SPONSORS: MESNARD, ALLEN S, et al
<p>Comments: Summary: Makes various changes to tax statutes, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Reduces the Class 1 assessment ratio from 18% to 17% over two years, and reduces the state equalization tax rate to offset. -Increases the dependent tax credit by 20%. -Levies a \$0.19/gallon tax on natural gas and a \$0.23 cents/gallon tax on propane, used in the propulsion of a motor vehicle. Establishes a \$0.23/gallon use tax on natural gas and a \$0.30/gallon use tax on propane, used in the propulsion of a motor vehicle. -Levies a tax on electric vehicles of \$130 per year and a tax on hybrid vehicles of \$52 per year. -Repeals the highway safety fee 6 months earlier than planned, on January 1, 2021. -Increases bonus depreciation for corporate income taxes from 50% to 100% of the federal amount. 								
SB1416	claims; liability; notice 1st Read: 01/29 JUD None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/30					SPONSORS: FARNSWORTH D. (16)
<p>Comments: Summary: Specifies that a city, town, or county aware of a potential claim/cause of action involving itself - where the claimant has not filed a notice of claim at least 90 days before the time frame expires - must notify all potential claimants of the obligation to file a notice of claim. States that a potential claimant has two years after the date of the potential claim or cause of action accrues to file a claim if the county fails to notify them ninety days in advance of the claim time frame's imminent expiration.</p>								
SB1436	TPT; exemption; public safety equipment. 1st Read: 01/29 APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/30					SPONSORS: GOWAN
<p>Comments: Summary: Identical bill to SB 1116 the LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill on 1/24. Exempts sales of public safety equipment purchased by a law enforcement agency, fire district, fire department, volunteer fire department, or emergency medical services provider from TPT and use tax.</p>								

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SB1459	private attorney retention; municipalities; counties 1st Read: 01/30 JUD None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/03					SPONSORS: LEACH
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Comments:

Summary: Counties and municipalities are prohibited from entering into a contingency fee contract with a private attorney unless the county or municipal attorney makes a written determination before entering into the contract that contingency fee representation is both cost effective and in the public interest. The written determination is required to include specific findings for a list of specified factors. Before a contingency fee contract with a private attorney is effective and enforceable and before any monies may be spent by the county or municipality, the county or municipality is required to receive approval from the Attorney General's Office for the contract. Counties and municipalities are prohibited from entering into a contingency fee contract that provides for the county's or municipality's private attorney to receive a contingency fee from the county's or municipality's portion of the recovery in excess of an aggregate of a list of specified percentages based on the recovery amount. The contingency fee received by the county's or municipality's private attorney cannot exceed \$50 million. Establishes additional requirements for county or municipal contracts for contingency fee attorney services. does not apply to any contingency fee contract in which a county or municipality hires a private attorney to pursue debt collection cases.

SB1527	e-liquids; tobacco products; vapor products 1st Read: 02/03 COM None RULES None		2nd Read: 02/04					SPONSORS: LEACH, ALLEN J, et al
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Comments:

Summary:

Makes the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (Department) responsible for enforcing statute regulating tobacco sales, investigating the sales of alternative nicotine products, e-liquids, tobacco products and vapor products. Requires sellers of these products to obtain a license from the Department. Establishes stipulations on the sale, penalties, and reasons a license can be revoked on all alternative nicotine products, e-liquids, tobacco products and vapor products. Establishes a preemption on the sale and marketing of alternative nicotine products, e-liquids, tobacco products and vapor products unless it is on property owned by a county, city, town, school district, stadium district, or community college district. Effective January 1, 2021

SB1664	civil liability; gun-free zones							SPONSORS: GOWAN, BORRELLI, et al
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Comments:

Summary: Specifies that a government entity that establishes a gun-free zone is liable for any damages claimed by a person 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 themselves. Allows the court to award triple in damages if (1) the criminal conduct is found to be a terrorist attack and (2) the person harmed is (a) a minority, (b) disabled, or (3) over sixty-five. Specifies that a government entity that establishes a gun-free zone must provide the level of protection from injury individuals would have had if they were allowed a gun. Removes provisions from statute that specify an operator/event sponsor/employee is NOT liable for acts or omissions related to a public establishment.

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SB1665 misconduct involving weapons; classification

SPONSORS: GOWAN, BORRELLI, et al



Comments:

Summary: Reduces from a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor to a class 3 (lowest) misdemeanor for the following offenses: 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 place it in temporary secure storage or entering an election polling place on election day carrying a deadly weapon.

Running LPC/Board Bills

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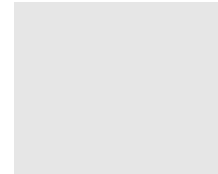
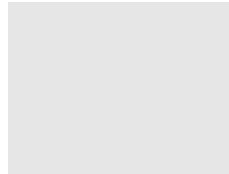
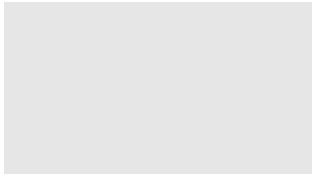
HB2053 executive sessions; security plans.

SPONSORS: ESPINOZA

1st Read: 01/13

2nd Read: 01/16

TECH 01/22 - DP
7-0-0-0-0-0
GOV 01/30 - DP
11-0-0-0-0-0
RULES None



Comments:

Summary: Allows a public body to hold an executive session to discuss matters (1) "relating to school safety operations ... school safety plans or programs" and emergency response plans, and (2) relating to building/facility and information technology security plans, procedures, assessments, measures, or systems. Specifies that notes and materials provided to public body representatives and related to building/facility/I.T. security are confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

Update: At the CSA Board meeting on 1/16/2020, the CSA Board voted to SUPPORT this bill.

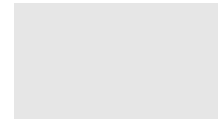
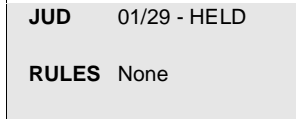
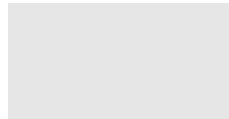
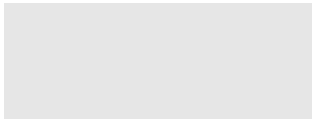
HB2055 civil traffic violations; community restitution

SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI, BLACKMAN, et al

1st Read: 01/13

2nd Read: 01/16

JUD 01/29 - HELD
RULES None



Comments: 1/31: Staff explained that the bill sponsor is working on an amendment, noting the Courts expect a \$5M loss of revenue with the passage of this bill. Staff mentioned the Courts and League of Cities and Towns are both opposed. The LPC voted to OPPOSE??? the bill.

Summary: Allows individuals who are subject to a civil penalty for violating traffic/vehicle regulations to perform court-approved restitution in lieu of the civil penalty, surcharge, assessment, or fee. Prohibits the court from assessing a time payment fee in the case of a civil penalty. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Updates: As of 1/16/2020, the CSA has not taken a position on this bill.

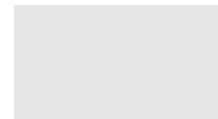
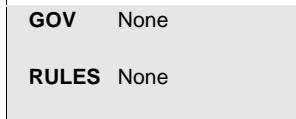
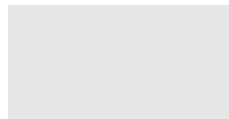
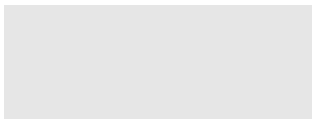
HB2065 recorder; recording fees; lien fees

SPONSORS: KAVANAGH

1st Read: 01/29

2nd Read: 01/30

GOV None
RULES None



Comments: 1/24: Staff explained this bill would carve out the health care industry from paying full county recorder fees for medical provider liens by establishing a special \$9 fee for the industry, as opposed to \$30 for all other entities. The LPC did not take a position on the bill and asked to bring it back at the next LPC meeting.

Summary: Establishes a county fee of \$9 for medical provider liens.

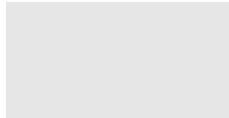
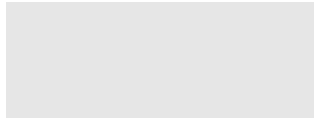
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HB2099 property tax; mobile homes; delinquency

SPONSORS: GRIFFIN



1st Read: 01/13

2nd Read: 01/16

WM 01/29 - DPA
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RULES 02/03 - C&P
8-0-0-0-0

Maj Caucus: 02/04

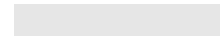
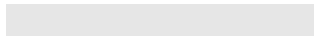
Min Caucus: 02/04

Comments: 1/24: Staff explained this bill modifies the mobile home lien sale process to mirror the real property tax lien sale process. Staff also noted there are currently efforts with the sponsor to help all sides get to a place they are comfortable with by way of an amendment. The LPC did not take a position on this bill.

Summary: States that a mobile home (1) without a recorded affidavit of affixture, (2) that is not placed on the real property roll, and (3) that is used as the owner's primary residence, shall have the county treasurer secure payment of its owner's unpaid delinquent taxes by (a) selling tax liens on the mobile home and (2) foreclosing the right to redeem. Specifies that insubstantial failure to comply with the statutes governing the sale of tax liens and foreclosure does not affect the validity of the assessment and levy of the taxes or the sale of a tax lien.

HB2112 schools; safety; executive session

SPONSORS: UDALL, NUTT



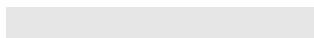
Comments:

Summary: Allows a public body to hold an executive session to discuss matters (1) "relating to school safety operations ... school safety plans or programs" and emergency response plans, and (2) relating to building/facility and information technology security plans, procedures, assessments, measures, or systems. Specifies that notes and materials provided to public body representatives and related to building/facility/I.T. security are confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

Update: At the CSA Board meeting on 1/16/2020, the CSA Board voted to SUPPORT this bill.

HB2147 personal property tax; abatement; procedure

SPONSORS: THORPE

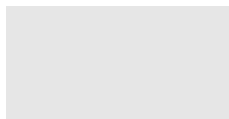
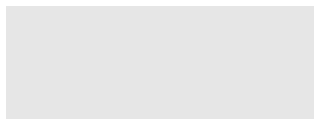


Comments: Summary: Allows a county treasurer to abate a personal property/property tax and remove a tax lien, provided that the reason for abatement/removal complies with relevant statute (42-18351), without approval from the board of supervisors. Specifies that the certificate of removal and abatement is final and effective on the date the board receives the notice.

Update: At the CSA Board meeting on 1/16/2020, the CSA Board voted to OPPOSE this bill.

HB2235 record of proceedings; certified reporter

SPONSORS: ALLEN J



1st Read: 01/28

2nd Read: 01/29

JUD None

RULES None

Comments: 1/31: Staff explained the bill increases flexibility for court reporters, ensuring they are able to maintain efficiency. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Expands the courts authority to create and maintain a complete electronic record to supplement court reporters to prevent delay in resolving disputes in the trial court and on appeal. Allows a judge discretion on when to use a court reporter or an electronic recording system. Either party may provide a court reporter or stenographer in addition to the electronic means used by courts to record the proceedings, but if the court uses electronic means they cannot be required to have a court reporter.

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HB2352	centrally assessed property; valuation; pipelines.						SPONSORS: TOMA, BOLICK, et al	
					1st Read: 01/21	2nd Read: 01/22		
					WM 01/29 - HELD			
					RULES None			

Comments: 1/31: Staff explained that CSA is still waiting for further feedback from DOR and other county experts on this issue. Staff also noted there may be some concerns with allowing all pipelines to utilize this action. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

1/24: Staff noted this bill is in response to an ongoing legal issue between Transwestern Pipeline Company and DOR in which Transwestern has been appealing their value each year and winning in court, resulting in large refunds from northern and central Arizona counties and other taxing jurisdictions. Staff also noted they are waiting for further input from several counties and DOR and will return with more information at a later date. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: Mirror bill (SB 1204) Establishes allowable adjustments to the value of a pipeline property, including: (1) a ruling by a court of competent jurisdiction that the property's full cash value is more than the appraised market value, (2) an agreement between a pipeline company and DOR as a result of a material change to the property, and (3) an agreement between a pipeline company and DOR to correct a material error or omission in the calculation of the base value.

HB2468	law enforcement; prosecution; grants; acceptance						SPONSORS: PAYNE	
					1st Read: 01/28	2nd Read: 01/29		
					PS None			
					RULES None			

Comments: 1/24: Staff noted this bill removes Board oversight of monies dedicated to law enforcement agencies and exposes the county to potential increased costs and liability. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Prohibits a board of supervisors from rejecting/interfering with a law enforcement agencies or prosecution agency's receipt of federal grant monies, award monies, or other monies intended to supplement the budget.

HB2469	law enforcement officers; additional benefits.						SPONSORS: PAYNE, BLACKMAN, et al	
					1st Read: 01/28	2nd Read: 01/29		
					PS None			
					RULES None			

Comments: 1/31: Staff noted that the bill is scheduled to be heard in House Public Safety next week and we are working to get a meeting with the sponsor to talk about the impact of the bill. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: If a law enforcement officer was killed in the line of duty, the surviving spouse continues to receive workers' compensation death benefits until the surviving spouse's death regardless of whether the surviving spouse remarries. If a surviving spouse of a deceased law enforcement officer who was killed in the line of duty is receiving payment for health insurance premiums from the officer's employer and the surviving spouse remarries, the health insurance premium payments are no longer discontinued, and family coverage is required to include coverage for the additional new family members. In addition to any other death benefits, a surviving spouse, or a dependent if there is not a surviving spouse must receive payment for all of the deceased member's unused sick leave. If a PSPRS or CORP member is receiving an accidental or catastrophic or total and permanent disability pension, the retired member's employer is required to continue to pay the employer portion of the health care benefits that was being paid by the employer on the date that the member's disability pension commenced until the retired member is eligible for Medicare.

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HB2475	law enforcement officers; rights; privileges							SPONSORS: PAYNE
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Comments: 1/31: Staff noted that ACIP has concerns with the cost and liability associated with maintaining on duty officers 24 hours a day, including workers' compensation. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Specifies law enforcement officers maintain their rights and privileges as an officer 24 hours a day, even if not on duty.

HB2482	elderly homeowners; class six property.							SPONSORS: THORPE
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Comments: 1/24: Staff explained the bill causes a tax shift to homeowners that do not qualify for the senior valuation freeze program and treats like-properties different when it comes to taxation. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

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.

HB2493	community facilities districts							SPONSORS: TOMA, COOK, et al
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1st Read: 01/29 2nd Read: 01/30

WM None

RULES None

Comments: 1/31: Staff noted that no concerns have been received about this bill and that feedback from the counties has been positive. The LPC voted to MONITOR the bill.

Summary: Makes various changes to community facilities districts including the general obligation bond purposes and board make up.

HB2589	land divisions; county regulation; surveys							SPONSORS: GRIFFIN, DUNN, et al
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1st Read: 01/27 2nd Read: 01/28

LAG None

RULES None

Comments: 1/31: Staff noted that there are concerns over allowing a land division without a trained professional land surveyor surveying the land first. Feedback also included concern about additional liability for counties. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Prohibits counties from requiring an applicant for a land division to conduct a survey as a condition of approving the land division or conveyance or issuance of a building permit.

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SB1014	election procedures manual; rulemaking; GRRC 1st Read: 01/13 JUD None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/14					SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
<p>Comments: Summary: Specifies that the Arizona Secretary of State's Elections Procedures Manual must be approved by the Governor's Regulatory Review Council- instead of the Governor and the Attorney General - before issuance. States that this Elections Procedures Manual is exempt from the citizen-led economic impact statement process and the state's regulatory bill of rights.</p> <p>Update: At the CSA Board meeting on 1/16/2020, the CSA Board voted to OPPOSE this bill.</p>								

SB1019	prohibition; regulation; industrial hemp sites 1st Read: 01/13 GOV 02/03 - DP 6-1-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 01/14					SPONSORS: BORRELLI
<p>Comments: 1/24: Staff explained this legislation establishes more restrictions than necessary in achieving the sponsor's efforts to prevent proximity regulations between marijuana farms and hemp farms. Staff also noted they are working with Sen. Borelli on an amendment that will achieve his goal in the proper manner. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Prohibits cities, towns, and counties from imposing further regulations or restrictions on industrial hemp sites.</p>								

SB1042	executive sessions; security plans 1st Read: 01/13 GOV 02/03 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 01/14					SPONSORS: BORRELLI, COOK, et al
<p>Comments: Summary: Allows a public body to hold an executive session to discuss matters (1) "relating to school safety operations ... school safety plans or programs" and emergency response plans, and (2) relating to building/facility and information technology security plans, procedures, assessments, measures, or systems. Specifies that notes and materials provided to public body representatives and related to building/facility/I.T. security are confidential and exempt from public disclosure.</p> <p>Update: At the CSA Board meeting on 1/16/2020, the CSA Board voted to SUPPORT this bill.</p>								

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SB1113	mortgaged property; tax statements; information 1st Read: 01/13 FIN 01/22 - DP 8-2-0-0-0-0 RULES 01/27 - PFC Rep Caucus: 01/28 Dem Caucus: 01/28	CON CAL - 01/27 Object: No	2nd Read: 01/14 01/30 - PASSED 30-0-0-0-0-0					SPONSORS: LEACH
<p>Comments: 1/31: Staff explained the county treasurers largely felt this would not cause any issues or major impact on the mailing of tax bills. The LPC voted to take a NEUTRAL position on the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Requires the county treasurer to separately list the amount of primary and secondary taxes on the statement of taxes mailed to a mortgagor.</p>								

SB1116	TPT; exemption; public safety equipment 1st Read: 01/13 FIN None APPROP None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/14					SPONSORS: BORRELLI
<p>Comments: 1/24: Staff explained the bill sets a bad precedent by exempting a government entity from TPT, opening the gates for other entities to ask for the same, and erodes the TPT base further. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill. Update identical bill dropped SB 1436 (Gowan)</p> <p>Summary: Exempts sales of public safety equipment purchased by a law enforcement agency, fire district, fire department, volunteer fire department, or emergency medical services provider from TPT and use tax.</p>								

SB1133	public works; contracts; payment 1st Read: 01/16 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/21					SPONSORS: GRAY, FANN
<p>Comments: 1/31: Staff explained this bill is an ongoing conversation from last year that CSA opposed and is inconsistent with current practices. Staff additionally noted they are actively engaged in stakeholder meetings and are working on a resolution but are not yet there. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.</p> <p>Summary: Modifies the definition of a construction contract to include oral agreements, allows the contractor or subcontractor to request payment for additional work completed from a change order to be included in the monthly pay estimates. Allows either party to to disagree with an interim determination to file a claim in accordance with the terms of the contract.</p>								

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SB1141	detention officers; arrest warrant; custody 1st Read: 01/16 JUD 01/23 - DP 7-0-0-0-0-0 RULES 01/27 - PFC Rep Caucus: 01/28 Dem Caucus: 01/28	CON CAL - 01/27 Object: No	2nd Read: 01/21 01/30 - PASSED 17-13-0-0-0-0					SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON, PRATT
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Comments: 1/24: Staff explained this was an AACo that the LPC voted to approve last year. The bill expands when an assigned detention officer may execute an existing arrest warrant in the following situations: 1) the person is already under law enforcement supervising at a hospital facility, if a judicial officer remands the person to custody during a court proceeding, or in a jail facility if a visitor is found to have an arrest warrant. The goal of the bill is aimed at freeing up sworn sheriff deputies. The LPC voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Expands where an assigned detention officer acting in their official capacity is permitted to arrest a person pursuant to an existing warrant, including allowing said officer to arrest an individual (1) at a hospital facility and under law enforcement supervision/custody, (2) at a superior/justice/municipal court facility, and (3) visiting within a jail facility. The bill also allows a detention officer to take custody of a person remanded into custody by a judicial officer during a court proceeding.