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COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA

January 29, 2021

(Conducted Via Teleconference and [Webinar](#))

Teleconference 1-669-900-9128 OR 1-253-215-8782

Meeting ID: 704 222 239 Password: 805579

County Supervisors Association

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Phoenix, AZ

9:00 a.m. Call to Order ~ *CSA President Steve Gallardo*

- A) Legislative Report
- B) CSA Legislative Agenda
 - 1) [CSA Legislative Budget Priorities](#)
 - a) [HB 2048 counties: committed youth contributions: repeal](#) (Weninger)
 - b) Transportation Infrastructure Funding
 - c) Broadband Investment
 - d) ALTCS
 - e) Flexibility Language
 - 2) [HB 2181 Write-ins; residency; filing deadline](#) (Kavanagh)
 - 3) [HB 2297 Military leaves of absence; duration](#) (Payne)
 - 4) [HB 2595 Irrigation non-expansion](#) (Cobb)
 - 5) [HB 2401 Juvenile dependency; state aid; appropriation](#) (Biasiucci)
 - 6) [HB 2607 County recreation district boards](#) (Blackman)
 - 7) [HB 2334 Dangerous incompetent & non restorable](#) (Pratt)
 - 8) Rural counties; transient lodging tax (Barton) – *Bill folder open*
 - 9) Short term vacation property tax parity (*Sponsor pending*)
- C) Legislative Bills for Discussion
 - 1) [HB 2053 Superior court clerk; salary](#) (Kavanagh)
 - 2) [HB 2138 ABOR; optional retirement programs](#) (Kavanagh)
 - 3) [HB 2306 Right to redeem; lien sale](#) (Kavanagh)
 - 4) [HB 2307 Voting equipment; overvote notice](#) (Kavanagh)
 - 5) [HB 2310 Municipalities; counties; law enforcement budgets](#) (Roberts)
 - 6) [HB 2331 Property tax; mobile homes; delinquency](#) (Griffin)
 - 7) [HB 2381 PSPRS; CORP; local boards; consolidation](#) (Blackman)
 - 8) [HB 2391 county property tax information; worksheet](#) (Kaiser)
 - 9) [HB 2420 Law enforcement budget; reduction; certification](#) (Carroll)
 - 10) [HB 2570 Licenses; pandemics; revocation prohibition](#) (Hoffman)
 - 11) [SB 1258 State of emergency; tolling; permits](#) (Mesnard)
 - 12) [SB 1260 property tax exemptions; statutory conformity](#) (Mesnard)
 - 13) [SB 1377 civil liability; public health pandemic](#) (Leach)
 - 14) [SCR 1019 constitutional property tax exemptions](#) (Mesnard)
- D) Other Legislative Issues
- E) Next Meeting Date and Time (*Friday, February 5, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.*)
- F) Other Business
- G) Adjourn

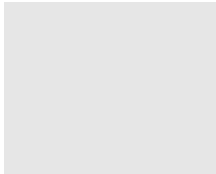
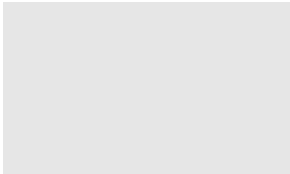
01.29.21 LPC Bills for Discussion

Senate Information

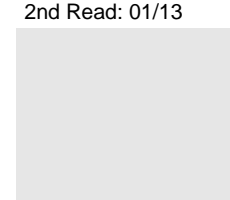
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HB2053 superior court clerk; salary SPONSORS: KAVANAGH



1st Read: 01/12
JUD None
APPROP None
RULES None

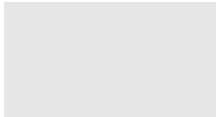
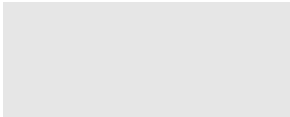


Comments: Comments: 1/15: Staff noted that the bill will be amended in committee next week to provide the clerks a straight \$20,000 pay raise to all 15 Superior Court Clerks after the next election and will go into effect in 2023. The bill will have no ties or escalators increasing the salary over time, if they want to seek another increase it would require legislation. The LPC decided to monitor the bill.

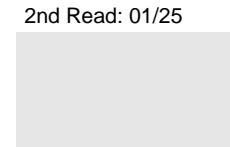
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HB2138 ABOR; optional retirement programs SPONSORS: KAVANAGH

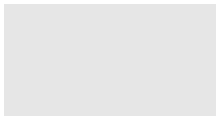
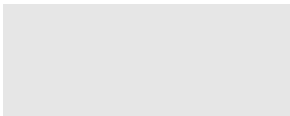


1st Read: 01/21
GE None
RULES None

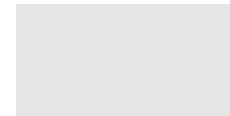


Comments: Summary: Employees enrolled in the ABOR optional retirement program may have their employer contributions forfeited if they do not continue their service under the jurisdiction of ABOR for at least 5 years. The employee contributions, including interest, will be used by the institution to make future employer contributions instead of refunded to the state.

HB2306 right to redeem; lien sale SPONSORS: KAVANAGH



1st Read: 01/26
WM None
RULES None



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.

The Board voted to oppose this bill last year.

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HB2307	voting equipment; overvote notice				SPONSORS: KAVANAGH			
					1st Read: 01/21		2nd Read: 01/25	
					GE None			
					RULES None			
	Comments: Summary: This bill addresses the same issue trying to be accomplished in Townsend's SB 1025 (notifying voters of the impact of an overvote) but in a way that can be accomplished. It requires written posting of notifications near or on the voting equipment that tells voters if they have an overvote for an office or measure it will not be tallied.							
HB2310	municipalities; counties; law enforcement budgets				SPONSORS: ROBERTS, BARTON, et al			
					1st Read: 01/26			
					MAPS None			
					RULES None			
	Comments: Summary: Requires the Attorney General (AG) upon request of any member of the Legislature to investigate any official action taken by a political subdivision to reduce a law enforcement agencies budget by 10% less than the pervious year.							
	The AG's office has 30 days to determine if a reduction of 10 percent or more has occurred and notify the political subdivision. The political subdivision has 30 days to restore the budget or the AG's office is required to notify the State Treasurer to withhold and redistribute state shared monies equal to the amount of the law enforcement budget reduction and restores funding allocation if the law enforcement budget is restored.							
	This does not apply if a political subdivision reduces their overall budget by at least 10 percent over the previous year.							
HB2331	property tax; mobile homes; delinquency				SPONSORS: GRIFFIN			
					1st Read: 01/21		2nd Read: 01/25	
					WM None			
					RULES None			
	Comments: 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.							
	It modifies the mobile home lien sale process to mirror the real property tax lien sale process.							
HB2381	PSPRS; CORP; local boards; consolidation				SPONSORS: BLACKMAN			
	Comments: Makes a number of changes to the PSPRS and CORP statutes governing the local boards and disability claims process. Allows local boards to voluntarily consolidate through intergovernmental agreements. Gives the PSPRS Board of Trustees the authority to: audit local board and employer records, bring local boards into compliance with statute and uniform rules, determine eligibility for service credits and standard retirement benefits, review and bring through a judicial review process any disability or line of duty death determinations a local board makes if the Board of Trustees disagrees with the local board findings. Requires that local board members attend training outlined by the PSPRS Board of Trustees and comply with uniform rules established by PSPRS.							

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HB2391	county property tax information; worksheet				SPONSORS: KAISER, BOLICK			
	<p>Comments: Summary: Requires DOR to create a uniform document in which all 15 counties would input their tax rates and jurisdictions into and make available to the public. Requires counties to complete this task within 7 days of adopting the rates.</p> <p>Note: ATRA has told us they would like counties and DOR to determine the document format.</p>							
HB2420	law enforcement budget; reduction; certification				SPONSORS: CARROLL, WILMETH			
	<p>Comments: Summary: Requires political subdivisions to certify in writing by October 15th to each state agency that the political subdivision receives state monies that there has not been a disproportionate reduction in the political subdivisions law enforcement agencies budget. Specifies that it is considered proportionate if the portion of the total law enforcement budget remains within 3 percentage points of the previous year.</p> <p>Certifications must include a statement that any reduction in the law enforcement agencies budget (or proposed budget) is a result of reduced revenue collection, proportionate to the reduction to revenue.</p> <p>Withholds state shred revenue until the funding is restored.</p>				<p>1st Read: 01/26</p> <p>MAPS None</p> <p>RULES None</p>			
HB2570	licenses; pandemics; revocation prohibition				SPONSORS: HOFFMAN, BARTON, et al			
	<p>Comments: Summary: Prohibits state agencies, counties and municipalities from revoking any license required to do business for not complying with a Governor's executive order issued during a pandemic or epidemic unless the agency, county, or municipality can provide clear and convincing evidence that the business caused the transmission of the disease.</p>							
SB1258	state of emergency; tolling; permits				SPONSORS: MESNARD			
	<p>1st Read: 01/21</p> <p>COM None</p> <p>RULES None</p>				<p>2nd Read: 01/25</p>			
	<p>Comments: Tolls any permit, license, or approval authorized by a state agency or political subdivision during the state of emergency and for an additional 12 months after the tolled period. Requires within 90 days of the termination of the emergency proclamation the holder of the permit or license must notify of the intent to exercise the tolling and extension in writing. (effective on the signature of the governor) Exempts any permit or license that is outside of the area of the emergency, that requires federal approval, applications determined to be noncompliant prior to the emergency, subject to an expiration date in a court order, TPT licenses, and business licenses. Allows the state and political subdivision to require property to be maintained.</p>							

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SB1260 property tax exemptions; statutory conformity 1st Read: 01/21 FIN None RULES None Comments: Summary: Coinciding with SCR 1019, which 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. This bill merely makes statutory changes necessary to implement SCR 1019, if approved by the voters.			2nd Read: 01/25					SPONSORS: MESNARD
SB1377 civil liability; public health pandemic 1st Read: 01/26 JUD None RULES None Comments: Summary: Holds harmless from liability any person or provider, including counties, that acts in good faith to protect a customer, student, tenant, volunteer, guest or neighbor from injury from a public health pandemic, unless there is clear evidence the person or provider failed to act or acted with willful misconduct or gross negligence. The bill additionally offers protection to health professionals and health care institutions.								SPONSORS: LEACH, BARTO, et al
SCR1019 constitutional property tax exemptions 1st Read: 01/21 FIN None RULES None Comments: 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 SB 1575, which makes necessary statutory changes, enacted conditionally upon the voters approving this SCR.			2nd Read: 01/25					SPONSORS: MESNARD

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Running LPC/Board Bills (Previously Discussed Bills)

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HB2025 delinquent property tax; interest; waiver

SPONSORS: KAVANAGH

1st Read: 01/12

2nd Read: 01/13

WM 01/20 - DP
9-1-0-0-0-0
RULES 01/25 - C&P
8-0-0-0-0-0

CON CAL - 01/25
Object: No

Maj Caucus: 01/26
Min Caucus: 01/26

Comments: Comments: 1/15: Staff explained there are concerns with granting a county treasurer the authority to waive penalties without approval of the board of supervisors. Staff also noted that there was an amendment being offered last year to add in oversight of the board of supervisors, but that the amendment was not included in this year's version. The LPC voted to OPPOSE HB 2025 in its current form.

Summary: Authorizes county treasurers to waive interest accrued on a delinquent property tax or other penalties during the one-year period after a mortgage or deed of trust is satisfied or released on the property. A taxpayer may only receive this waiver once per property. In 2020 the LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill unless an amendment was put in to require approval by the Board of Supervisors.

HB2053 superior court clerk; salary

SPONSORS: KAVANAGH

1st Read: 01/12

2nd Read: 01/13

JUD None
APPROP None
RULES None

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HB2057 land divisions; county regulation; surveys

SPONSORS: GRIFFIN

1st Read: 01/12

2nd Read: 01/13

LARA W/D
NREW 01/19 - DP
6-4-0-0-0-0
RULES 01/25 - C&P
8-0-0-0-0-0

CON CAL - 01/25
Object: Yes

Maj Caucus: 01/26
Min Caucus: 01/26

Comments: Comments: 1/15:

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. It also removes the requirement for acceptable evidence regarding if the property has physical access that is traversable by a vehicle prior to a lot split approval. In 2020 the LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill.

HB2058 library; historic names; archeology; establishment

SPONSORS: KAVANAGH

1st Read: 01/14

2nd Read: 01/20

GE 01/20 - DP
8-5-0-0-0-0
RULES None

Comments: 1/21: Staff noted that this was for informational purposes and reinstates statutory language that lapsed and noted that the Secretary of State and Arizona Library Association support the bill.

Summary: The Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records and Board of Library Examiners sunset date has lapsed and all the associated statute was automatically repealed. The bill restores the original statute with some technical and changes.

HB2077 state lake improvement fund; appropriations

SPONSORS: BIASIUCCI, COBB, et al

1st Read: 01/14

2nd Read: 01/20

NREW 01/19 - DP
10-0-0-0-0-0
APPROP 01/20 - DP
13-0-0-0-0-0
RULES 01/25 - C&P
8-0-0-0-0-0

CON CAL - 01/25
Object: No

Maj Caucus: 01/26
Min Caucus: 01/26

Comments: 1/21: Supervisors noted this was something that the counties used to get and no longer do, but that there is a great need for this in lake communities. The Board voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Caps expenditures from State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) money may be used for administration to 10% of monies that are annually deposited, allows the SLIF funds to be used for water rescue operations, and appropriates \$3 million in general fund and \$2 million from the State Parks Revenue Fund to the State Parks Board for their operating costs.

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HB2141 appropriations; alternative prosecution; diversion programs. SPONSORS: PRATT

1st Read: 01/25 2nd Read: 01/26

JUD None

APPROP None

RULES None

Comments: 1/21: Staff noted these pre-trial diversion programs provide participants an alternative to prosecution and ultimately allow to avoid having a felony charge on their record. The Board voted to SUPPORT the bill

Summary: Appropriates \$11.2 million dollars over 3 years to establish a statewide diversion programs in all 15 counties.

HB2164 coordinated reentry planning services programs SPONSORS: BLACKMAN

1st Read: 01/20 2nd Read: 01/21

CJR None

APPROP None

RULES None

Comments: 1/21: Staff noted that this will allow Sheriff's offices to apply to grants that will provide funding for establish a reentry planning program focused on reducing recidivism and assisting in long-term recovery of individuals within the county jail system. The Board voted to SUPPORT the bill.

Summary: Appropriates \$8 million dollars in FY 21-22 and \$7 million dollars in FY's 22-24 to establish coordinated reentry planning services programs for jail systems in counties with populations of less than 1.5 million.

HB2310 municipalities; counties; law enforcement budgets SPONSORS: ROBERTS, BARTON, et al

1st Read: 01/26

MAPS None

RULES None

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HB2420 law enforcement budget; reduction; certification SPONSORS: CARROLL, WILMETH

1st Read: 01/26

MAPS None

RULES None

Comments: Summary: Requires political subdivisions to certify in writing by October 15th to each state agency that the political subdivision receives state monies that there has not been a disproportionate reduction in the political subdivisions law enforcement agencies budget. Specifies that it is considered proportionate if the portion of the total law enforcement budget remains within 3 percentage points of the previous year.

Certifications must include a statement that any reduction in the law enforcement agencies budget (or proposed budget) is a result of reduced revenue collection, proportionate to the reduction to revenue.

Withholds state shred revenue until the funding is restored.

SB1002 early voting envelopes; party affiliation SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA

1st Read: 01/11

2nd Read: 01/12

GOV None

RULES None

Comments: 1/21: Provided for informational purposes staff noted that AACo has voted to support the bill because they feel they will still be able to properly code envelopes to comply with party primary requirements. The Board did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: Early ballot return envelopes must not reveal the voter's political party affiliation.

SB1010 recount requests; amount; bond; procedure SPONSORS: MESNARD

1st Read: 01/11

2nd Read: 01/12

GOV 01/21 - DPA
5-3-0-0-0-0

RULES None

Comments: 2/21: Staff noted we have concerns with the ability of the Attorney General, Secretary of State, and the Legislative Council to request a higher hand-count without a date certain for when the request needs to be received, a cap, and clarification on how to address multiple requests. Clarification is needed on the number of times a request may be requested if an individual bond and requests a recount. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: County precincts randomly selected for a hand count after an election has increased to 5% of precincts or 5 precincts, whichever is larger. Allows the Attorney General, Secretary of State, or the Legislative Council to require a higher percent or number of precincts be hand-counted for a specific county by written request. Any person may file an action for a recount in any election not subject to an automatic recount. If a person files a bond with the Superior Court it must meet the amount determined by the court to fully reimburse the costs of conducting that recount.

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SB1023	elections; county supervisors; ballots; markers 1st Read: 01/11 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: TOWNSEND
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Comments: 1/21: Staff noted the bill attempts to regulate the type of pens offered by counties for an election. Supervisors were concerned that this may be state government overreach, that it could cause an undue burdens, and that it is unnecessary. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Specifies in elections overseen by the Board of Supervisors, the board cannot require specific pens to be used on paper ballots and cannot provide any pen that causes a mark that can be seen on the reverse side of the paper ballot, damages, or spoils a ballot.

SB1025	elections; polls; override notification 1st Read: 01/11 GOV 01/21 - DP 4-3-1-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: TOWNSEND
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Comments: 1/21: Staff noted the ballot boxes are used in polling locations that are collecting ballots from citizens after they complete voting, they are all stored and then transported to a central count location. Concern that as written it could result in poll workers having to look at someone's secret ballot to see if they can identify an overvote. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: If a voter's ballot is rejected while depositing it in the ballot box due to an overvote or other irregularity, and the voter chooses to override the overvoted office or measure, the election board official must advise the voter that their vote for that office or measure will not be counted.

SB1043	public safety; cancer insurance; eligibility 1st Read: 01/11 FIN 01/13 - DP 7-2-1-0-0-0 RULES 01/25 - PFC	CON CAL - 01/25 Object: Yes	2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON
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Rep Caucus: 01/26
 Dem Caucus: 01/26

Comments: Comments: 1/15: Staff noted this is a part of the legislative agenda adopted by the PSPRS board of trustees. The legislation would expand eligibility for the PSPRS cancer insurance program (CIP) to all retirees, regardless of prior cancer diagnosis. It was noted that this has historically been an underutilized program, but recent education has caused recent utilization and PSPRS did not provide an analysis demonstrating the need to expand the benefit to all retirees and given the lack of understanding of the reasons why the current benefit utilization is outside of national norms, it may be premature to expand benefits to almost double the current population without more information. The LPC noted this is a special benefit on top of all of the other liabilities that are already underfunded and voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Authorizes persons eligible for coverage under the Public Safety Cancer Insurance Program to remain eligible upon retirement, regardless of whether the person has had a cancer diagnosis. Requires the PSPRS Board of Trustees to annually review premiums in the Program.

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SB1045	defined contribution; health subsidy; disability 1st Read: 01/11 FIN 01/13 - DP 6-2-2-0-0-0 RULES 01/25 - PFC	CON CAL - 01/25 Object: Yes	2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON
Rep Caucus: 01/26 Dem Caucus: 01/26 Comments: Comments: 1/15: Staff noted bill would expand the existing health insurance subsidy to all Tier 3, defined contribution PSPRS and CORP employees, and clarify that accidental disability benefits for PSPRS members in Tiers 2 and 3 shall be at least 50% of the members average monthly compensation. The LPC voted to OPPOSE the bill. Summary: Expands eligibility for the existing health insurance subsidy to PSPRS and CORP Defined Contribution (DC) members. Repeals provision that excludes PSPRS DC members from accessing the health insurance subsidy. Stipulates that the annual contributions to pay for the benefit be split equally between the employer and the member. Requires that DC retirees reach the normal retirement date outlined for Defined Benefit (DB) members to access the health insurance subsidy. Stipulates that for accidental disability benefits for PSPRS members, the minimum benefit shall be at least 50% of the member's average monthly compensation.								

SB1057	public works; contracts; payments 1st Read: 01/11 COM None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: GRAY, FANN
Comments: Comments: 1/15: Staff noted this is a bill we have been working on over the last two years with the proponents the current version allows for change orders to be worked into the monthly progress payments for contractors and subcontractors while providing financial protections for the county. The LPC voted to take a Neutral position on the bill. Summary: A contractor directed to perform additional work in writing by a county may submit a reasonable cost estimate within two business days, pending final determination of the total amount to be paid for the additional work the contractor may request payment for work completed on the change during in their monthly pay estimates based on their cost to perform the work, subject to approval. Allows for either party to disagree with the interim determination and assert a claim in accordance with the construction contract. It also allows a subcontractor that is directed in writing by the contractor to perform additional work the subcontractor may request payment for the completed work in the proceeding monthly pay estimates. Note: This is a bill CSA has opposed for the last two years and had been working towards an agreed upon amendment prior to the legislature shutting down in 2020 last year (SB 1133). The current version adds the pending amendment that was scheduled to be added in House Commerce.								

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SB1059	mental disorders; considerations; involuntary treatment 1st Read: 01/11 HHS 01/20 - DPA 8-0-0-0-0 RULES 01/25 - PFC Rep Caucus: 01/26 Dem Caucus: 01/26		2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: BARTO
Comments: 1/21: Staff noted the bill would expand the scope and potentially the length of time needed to complete evaluations for individuals subject to the involuntary commitments. In addition, there are concerns regarding provider capacity, expertise, and increased costs to provide these services. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill. Summary: Expands the definition of mental disorder for consideration under the involuntary commitment process to include the following: - Individuals that present with impairments consistent with both a mental disorder and substance disorder. Individuals must be screened and evaluated for involuntary treatment upon review of the persons history (not specified type of history), provided an appropriate examination (type not specified), and a reasonable period of detoxification (time frame not specified). - If the impairments of a mental disorder persist or recur, they would be eligible (timing not specified). - Individuals with an intellectual disability may only be considered for involuntary treatment if they have a mental disorder that would benefit from treatment. - Individuals with a character or personality disorder including sexual behaviors that are abnormal and statutorily prohibited may be considered if the persona has a mental disorder that would benefit from treatment. Note: Identical language to the striker on HB 2316 last year and the LPC voted to oppose the bill.								

SB1068	elections manual; legislative council; GRRC 1st Read: 01/11 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
Comments: 1/21: Staff noted that the bill requires the Arizona SOS's Elections Procedures Manual to be approved by GRRC and Legislative Council. As GRRC was established to regulate state agency procedures, there was concern that it would not be the proper venue to approve the elections manual and that there is already an established process that provides significant oversight by lawyers with election expertise. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill. Summary: Specifies that the Arizona Secretary of State's Elections Procedures Manual must be approved by the Governor's Regulatory Review Council and Legislative Council - instead of the Governor and the Attorney General - before issuance.								

SB1071	voting irregularities; report; legislative review 1st Read: 01/11 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/12					SPONSORS: TOWNSEND
Comments: 1/21: Staff mentioned the bill seeks to establish a central database of elections issues, however it is unclear what an irregularity is or how this could be administered. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill. Summary: Requires the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections to maintain a record of all voting irregularities that occur during early voting, emergency voting and election day voting. Directs the county recorder or other officer in charge to provide the record of irregularities to the Legislature within 30 days after election day.								

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SB1074	local governments; audits; public meeting 1st Read: 01/20 GOV None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/21					SPONSORS: LIVINGSTON
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Comments: 1/21: Staff mentioned CSA will be reaching out to the sponsor to request an amendment that removes the requirement that the board of supervisors "approve" the audit results, and instead only require the board to vote to acknowledge the receipt of the results. The Board did not take a position on this bill.

Summary: Requires county boards of supervisors and other government entities to hold a hearing within 90 days of the completion of a financial audit for a presentation of the audit findings and a vote to accept the results.

Note: This bill needs an amendment to clarify that BOS may vote to receive or acknowledge the receipt of the audit results, but not be required to "accept" the audit findings.

SB1083	elections; recount margin 1st Read: 01/20 GOV 01/21 - DP 5-3-0-0-0 RULES None		2nd Read: 01/21					SPONSORS: UGENTI-RITA
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Comments: 1/21: Staff explained the bill eliminates the existing exceptions and thresholds in place for when an automatic recount is needed. It also increases the voting differential threshold required to trigger an election recount to 0.5%. Counties with vote centers would have to rerun all the ballots because they are not separated out by race even in extremely small races where there are only a few candidates. Supervisors noted this could be considerable cost for particular entities if a race is close. The Board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Increases the voting differential threshold necessary to trigger an automatic election recount from 0.01% to 0.5%.

SB1108	tax omnibus 1st Read: 01/20 FIN None RULES None		2nd Read: 01/21					SPONSORS: MESNARD
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Comments: 1/21: Staff noted this bill is a continuation of the bill run last year, modifying property tax, income tax, vehicle license tax, and more. There is concern that by lowering the class 1 assessment ratio, the caused tax shift will require counties to recalculate and increase taxes on residential property owners. Although the decrease in the state equalization tax rate will offset this, the perceived tax increase from the homeowner's perspective is of concern. The board voted to OPPOSE the bill.

Summary: Makes various changes to tax statutes, including:

-Reduces the Class 1 assessment ratio from 18% to 17% over two years, and reduces the state equalization tax rate to offset. Increases the State Equalization Tax Rate to offset the tax class shift.

-Increases the dependent tax credit by 20%.

-Levies a tax on electric vehicles of \$130 per year and a tax on hybrid vehicles of \$52 per year.

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-For income tax purposes, allows 50% of net long-term capital gains to be reduced from a taxpayer's taxable income.

-Increases the maximum Fire District Assistance Tax Rate from \$3.25 to \$3.50 over two years.

The Board did not take a position on the previous version of this bill, run last year.

SB1111 centrally assessed property; valuation; pipelines. SPONSORS: MESNARD

1st Read: 01/20

2nd Read: 01/21

FIN None

RULES None

Comments: Summary: 1/15: Staff explained this is the attempted fix to the Transwestern Pipeline tax valuation issue that has caused applicable taxing jurisdictions years of damaging tax refunds. Staff also noted that while this bill is the policy fix to the issue, it does not appropriate any monies for the years of refunds, which AACo is pushing for in a separate bill that has not yet dropped. The LPC did not take a position on the bill.

Summary: 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.

SB1128 library; archives; public records; museum SPONSORS: GOWAN

1st Read: 01/12

2nd Read: 01/13

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CON CAL - 01/25

Object: Yes

RULES 01/25 - PFC

Rep Caucus: 01/26

Dem Caucus: 01/26

Comments: 1/21: Staff noted that this was for informational purposes and reinstates statutory language that lapsed. Staff noted that unlike HB 2058 this bill does not reinstate the Board of Library Examiners and transfers the management of the Capital Museum from the Secretary of States office to Legislative Council.

Summary: The Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records sunset date has lapsed and all the associated statute was automatically repealed. The bill restores the original statute with some technical changes with the exception of it transfers the state capital museum from the Secretary of State to Legislative Council.

SB1220 mental health professionals; trauma counseling SPONSORS: GRAY

1st Read: 01/20

2nd Read: 01/21

HHS None

RULES None