



County Supervisors ASSOCIATION of arizona

**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**
(Teleconference/Web Conference Made Available)

County Supervisors Association
1905 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona

**MINUTES
April 8, 2022**

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| Call to Order: | Jean Bishop | 9:00 a.m. |
| Present In Person: | Alton Joe Shepherd Hildy Angius Jean Bishop | Apache County Mohave County Mohave County |
| Present Telephonically/Webinar: | Ann English Matt Ryan Danny Smith Richard Lunt Duce Minor Jason Whiting Rex Scott Stephen Miller Mary Mallory | Cochise County Coconino County Graham County Greenlee County La Paz County Navajo County Pima County Pinal County Yavapai County |
| Absent: | Steve Christensen Steve Gallardo Rudy Molera Lynne Pancrazi | Gila County Maricopa County Santa Cruz County Yuma County |

Others present telephonically: Harry Oberg, John Howard, Paul David, Jennifer St. John, Phil Bourdon, Jack Fields, Rich Karwaczka, Chris Keller, Alejandro Figueroa, Danny De Hoog, Trey Williams, Rochelle Lacapa, Barbara Fox-Thomas, Joshua Franklin, Marianne Salem, Coral Lloyd, MaryEllen Shepherd, Barbara Spoonhour, Cynthia Gentle, Hayley Howard, Dorn Policy Group, Todd Madeksza, Mark Barnes, Robin Hillyard, Lubka Jacobs

Others present in person: Craig Sullivan, Penny Adams, Vanessa Fielder, Jacob Emmett

President Jean Bishop welcomed everyone. Vanessa Fielder called roll and a quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes

Supervisor Alton Shepherd moved to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2022, CSA Legislative Policy Committee meeting. Supervisor Mary Mallory seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

CSA Legislative Agenda

Craig Sullivan acknowledged several bills on CSA's legislative agenda have been signed and chaptered into law.

- 1) [CSA Legislative Budget Priorities](#)
- 2) [HB 2012 county improvement districts; formation](#) (Kavanagh) – Ch. 92
- 3) [HB 2044 juvenile dependency; state aid; appropriation](#) (Biasiucci)
- 4) [HB 2067 county improvement districts; recreation; governance](#) (Blackman) – Ch. 93
- 5) [HB 2197 medical examiner; pathologist assistant; autopsies](#) (Osborne) – Ch. 82
- 6) [SB 1188 unincorporated areas; transient lodging assessment](#) (Gabaldon)
- 7) Procurement Contract Modifications

Craig provided an update on legislative activity. He noted the letter previously discussed about the proposal on probation officers' salaries was sent to the appropriate legislative leadership. The letter contained three specific proposed asks. Craig reviewed a letter crafted to address state mandate relief for impacts from proposed tax policies, including adjustments to the tax base, ALTCS payments, the state court system costs, and potential ongoing county relief. Craig noted CSA has been meeting with key leaders and Supervisor Jason Whiting has participated. Discussion followed.

Legislative Update

- 1) **Budget Update.** Vanessa Fielder provided an overview of the recent Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting, which showed additional resources are available in the FY 2023 budget. She noted that some of the items that might be considered in the state budget could be a tax package, education funding, water infrastructure/authority, transportation infrastructure, and debt reduction.
- 2) **Bills of Interest Update.** Robin Hillyard reviewed some bills of interest including some bills that have been chaptered into law, bills of concern that are still at play, possible pending amendments, and failed bills of note. Discussion occurred.
- 3) **Election Bills Update.** In response to a previous request from Supervisor Matt Ryan, Robin provided an update on a dozen or so of the more than 120 election bills before the legislature. Discussion occurred.

Other Legislative Issues

In response to Supervisor Hildy Angius' query about a fire district bill, Craig replied it was a Senate Concurrent Resolution awaiting House Rules. He added that Representative Cook had recently requested CSA have a conversation with the proponents of the bill. Craig noted the bill will be brought back for discussion at a future meeting after that conversation occurs. Discussion occurred.

Next Meeting Date and Time

President Jean Bishop advised the LPC will not meet next Friday since it is an observed day, but will be held next in conjunction with the CSA Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, April 21, at 10:00 a.m.

Other Business

Well wishes of Happy Easter and Passover were extended.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Jean Bishop adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.