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**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
AGENDA
February 3, 2023
(Conducted Via Teleconference and [Webinar](#))
Teleconference 1-669-900-9128 OR 1-253-215-8782
Meeting ID: 861 5821 3273 Password: 256912
County Supervisors Association
1905 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ**

9:00 a.m. Call to Order ~ CSA President Jason Whiting

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the CSA Legislative Policy Committee Meeting on January 27, 2023 (*previously distributed*)
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 - a) [HB 2018 counties; committee youth contributions; repeal](#) (Livingston)
 - b) Transportation Infrastructure
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 - c) [HB 2052 counties; advertising contracts; term; notice](#) (Dunn)
- C. Legislative Bills for Discussion and Possible Action
- 1) [HB 2304 voting locations; precinct-based](#) (McGarr)
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 - 3) [HB 2534 mortgaged property; tax statements; email](#) (Carter)
 - 4) [HB 2560 images; voter lists; records; contest](#) (Toma)/[SB 1324 images; voter lists; records; contest](#) (Bennett)
 - 5) [SB 1096 firearms; contracts; prohibited practices](#) (Carroll)
 - 6) [SB 1611 public entities contracts; prohibition](#) (Kern)
 - 7) [SB 1103 administrative review; approvals; developments](#) (Petersen) ([Amendment](#))
 - 8) [SB 1105 early ballots; election day tabulation](#) (Carroll)
 - 9) [SB 1162 home-based businesses; restrictions; prohibition](#) (Kaiser)
 - 10) [SB 1178 early voting; identification; signature](#) (Bennett)
 - 11) [SB 1245 VLT; cities and towns; counties](#) (Farnsworth)
 - 12) [SB 1263 business personal property; tax exemption](#) (Mesnard)
 - 13) [SB 1276 assessed valuation; class one property](#) (Mesnard)
 - 14) [SB 1325 TPT; administration; remote sellers](#) (Bennett)
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- 1) [HB 2304 voting locations; precinct-based](#)
Summary: All elections administered by a county, all voting are required to be conducted at precinct-based polling places. A county may not use any voting location that provides for countywide access to ballots for registered voters from any location in the county.
 - 2) [HB 2307 elections; hand counting; machines; prohibition](#) (McGarr)
Summary: All county and municipal elections, all votes must be tabulated by hand and are prohibited from using a tabulating machine to count votes.
 - 3) [HB 2534 mortgaged property; tax statements; email](#) (Carter)
Summary: This is an AACo bill that specifies on request of the mortgager, the county treasurer is required to email a statement of taxes due on the property, instead of mailing the statement.
 - 4) [HB 2560 images; voter lists; records; contest](#) (Toma)/[SB 1324 images; voter lists; records; contest](#) (Bennett)
Summary: Specifies that no later than ten days before each election, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to publish and post online a list of all voters who are registered to vote in the election, including persons who are on the inactive voter list. After the primary and general election and no later than 48 hours after the delivery of the official county canvass, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to submit to the Secretary of State, who shall immediately post online in a convenient downloadable format, a list of all persons who voted in the election, all ballot images used in the tabulation of the election, and the "cast vote record" in a sortable format. It is a class 1 misdemeanor to alter the contents of an image or a cast vote record from the database. The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to ensure that paper ballots are stored in a manner that allows for convenient retrieval.

- 5) [SB 1096 firearms; contracts; prohibited practices](#) (Carroll)
Summary: Requires public entities (including counties) to secure written certification that a company they are entering into a contract with for \$100,000 or more that they agree for the duration of the contract they will not discriminate against a "firearm entity" or "firearm trade association". This type of contract requirement has continued to expand and include items like prohibiting the boycott of goods or services from Israel, e-verify requirement; and Uyghurs; forced labor and the feedback has been that it creates delays in procurement. A recommendation to streamline the procurement contract process has been a recommendation to instead specify that the items are deemed to be included in the contract, so companies would be required to comply by law.
- 6) [SB 1611 public entities contracts; prohibition](#) (Kern)
Summary: Specifies that a public entities (including counties) are prohibited from entering into contracts without having the company agree in writing that they will not for the duration of the contract they will not implement an environmental, social, or governance standards policy. Defines "Environmental, social or governance standards policy" means a business policy that furthers any of the following: (a) an international, domestic or industry agreement relating to an environmental or social goal; (b) a corporate governance structure based on social characteristics; (c) a social or environmental goal. This type of contract requirement has continued to expand and include items like prohibiting the boycott of goods or services from Israel, e-verify requirement; and Uyghurs; forced labor and the feedback has been that it creates delays in procurement. A recommendation to streamline the procurement contract process has been a recommendation to instead specify that the items are deemed to be included in the contract, so companies would be required to comply by law.
- 7) [SB 1103 administrative review; approvals; developments](#) (Petersen) ([Amendment](#))
Summary: The bill is amendment language adds counties to SB 1103. It is permissive allowing counties to establish rules that set forth requirements for the review and approval of site plans, development plans, final plats, and design review plans without a public hearing. It also allows for the creation of self-certification programs for architects and professional engineers to certify and be responsible for compliance with ordinances and construction standards qualified for self-certification. The creation of rules that would allow for at-risk submittals for onsite grading and drainage work and expedited permit review for applicants with a history of compliance. Specifies that applications are subject to statute regarding county regulations in Title 11, Chapter 11, Article.
- 8) [SB 1105 early ballots; election day tabulation](#) (Carroll)
Summary: County recorders or other officers in charge of elections are required, instead of allowed, to provide for a qualified voter who appears at their designated polling place or at a voting center on elected day with their voted early ballot to have their ballot tabulated.
- 9) [SB 1162 home-based businesses; restrictions; prohibition](#) (Kaiser)
Makes changes to the home-based business restrictions for counties and adds restrictions on cities and towns. Specifies that a home-based business is allowed by right (but does not impact HOA restrictions) and a county may not prohibit a no-impact home-based business or require a permit, variance, or other type of approval for to operate a no-impact home business. Specifies a county may have reasonable regulations to protect public health and safety, limit/prohibit structured sober living home, selling illegal drug, liquor, obscenity, and adult oriented businesses. A county may also ensure that the business activity is compatible with residential use of the property, that the business is secondary to the use of the property as a residential dwelling, and complying with state/federal laws. Prohibits a county from applying for a rezoning for commercial use, install or equip fire sprinklers, or obtain a business license. Makes it a judicial question on if the county regulation compliance with the section. Defines no-impact home-based business that provide lawful goods or services, employes no more than 3 individuals that are not residents of the dwelling, does not generate on-street parking or create a substantial increase in traffic, occurs inside the dwelling, not visible to the street.

- 10) [SB 1178 early voting; identification; signature](#) (Bennett)
Summary: This is an AACo bill a voter is issued an early ballot at any voting location during the period of early voting after presenting and confirming the required identification, the voter's early ballot is deemed ready for tabulating, and additional signature verification of the completed affidavit envelope is not required.
- 11) [SB 1245 VLT; cities and towns; counties](#) (Farnsworth)
Summary: Requires that all revenues from vehicle license tax (VLT) distributed to counties, cities and towns be used for transportation purposes only. Currently, counties receive 20.45% (\$296M in FY22) of VLT resources for general fund purposes, distributed to counties based on where the vehicle was registered. Under current law, counties also receive 4.91% (\$70M in FY22) of VLT resources for transportation purposes, distributed to counties based on unincorporated population. SB 1245 would repeal the general fund distribution to counties and increase the amount distributed for transportation purposes to 25.36%.
- 12) [SB 1263 business personal property; tax exemption](#) (Mesnard)
Summary: Fully exempts, for property tax purposes, agricultural and business personal property except for personal property in the following subclassifications: mining, timber, gas & electric, airport fuel delivery, producing oil & gas, water utility companies, pipelines, and electric cooperatives.
- 13) [SB 1276 assessed valuation; class one property](#) (Mesnard)
Summary: Accelerates the depreciation of agricultural, locally assessed business and class 6 personal property for property initially classified prior to Tax Year (TY) 2022. Accelerates the phase-in of the reduction of the commercial assessment ratio from final implementation in TY 2027 to TY 2025.
- 14) [SB 1325 TPT; administration; remote sellers](#) (Bennett)
Summary: Allows a remote seller who is required to remit local excise and special district excise taxes in Arizona to elect to pay a single municipal tax rate instead of the rates of each individual taxing jurisdiction. Directs the department to calculate the single rate as the average rate of municipal taxes imposed in the state for the preceding fiscal year. Requires the Arizona Department of Revenue to allow remote sellers to remit taxes through a central clearinghouse or another state tax agency, if established. Changes the threshold to be required to be considered a remote seller from \$100,000 in gross proceeds of sales or gross income from customers in Arizona to \$100,000 in taxable sales from customers in Arizona.
- 15) [SB 1593 recall; requirements; petitions](#) (Bennett)
Summary: The bill specifies that in special recall elections are held 120 days instead of 90 days or more after calling for the election. Candidates that wish to be on the official recall ballot may circulate a nomination petition, but it must be filed between 90 and 120 before the recall election. This is an AACo bill brought forward because the timing for recall candidates to file restricts the ability of election workers to program and test the ballots before they must send ballots to overseas and military voters.

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