



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

County Supervisors Association
1905 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona

**MINUTES
January 26, 2024**

Call to Order:	Steve Miller	8:30 a.m.
Present In Person:	Alton Joe Shepherd Stephen Miller	Apache County Pinal County
Present Telephonically/Webinar:	Ann English Patrice Horstman Steve Christensen Paul David Richard Lunt Duce Minor Steve Gallardo Hildy Angius Daryl Seymore Rex Scott Manny Ruiz James Gregory Lynne Pancrazi	Cochise County Coconino County Gila County Graham County Greenlee County La Paz County Maricopa County Mohave County Navajo County Pima County Santa Cruz County Yavapai County Yuma County
Absent:	None	

Others present telephonically: Lena Fowler, Jean Bishop, John Howard, Clay Mack, Dustin Welker, Steve Peru, Michael Racy, Alejandro Figueroa, Rochelle Lacapa, Tami Ryall, Danny De Hoog, Brandon Gaylord, Sarah Hall, Gregory Nelson, Keith Brekhus, Maria Klucarova, Luke Mournian, Kim Challender, Corey Ringenberg, Joe Casey, G. Crews, J. Frisby, Connie DeKemper, Amber Pava, Francisco Garcia, Andrew Butler, Blake Tonn, Wiame Nazih, Lara, Karen Kruse, Craig Sullivan

Others present in person: Penny Adams, Vanessa Fielder, Jacob Emmett, Brandon Nee, Zoe Averill, Brooke White, Kavya Venkatraman

CSA President Steve Miller welcomed everyone. Penny Adams called roll and a quorum was present.

CSA Legislative Agenda

Craig thanked the counties for providing feedback on bills sent for review. He noted that next Monday is the Senate bill introduction deadline and the last day to hear bills in the house of origin is February 16.

Adopted Budget Proposals. Craig reviewed the CSA adopted budget proposals. Craig reported the chair of the Rural Caucus, Representative Tim Dunn, had invited CSA to meet with the caucus this week to brief them on CSA's priorities.

Adopted Policy Priorities. Craig reviewed the CSA adopted legislative policy priorities. He stated that the automatic recount issue is a key issue right now and the recorders and election officials will be meeting today. Discussion occurred.

Legislative Bills for Discussion and Possible Action

- 1) **HB 2318:** state match fund; rural transportation. Vanessa Fielder reviewed HB 2318. She stated it passed unanimously out of House Transportation this week, with the Rural Transportation Advocacy Council supporting the bill in committee. Discussion occurred. Vanessa added that it is CSA's understanding there is no ongoing funding allocation for this at this time.

- 2) [HB 2382](#): TPT; sourcing; validation. Vanessa reported the sponsor had indicated that some remote sales are not being sourced and remitted to the correct taxing jurisdictions. The bill passed Ways and Means 8-1 with an amendment put on in committee. Vanessa noted CSA had signed in support during the committee hearing. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Manny Ruiz moved to take a neutral position until certain clarifications to the bill are made. Supervisor Patrice Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 3) [HB 2383](#): coordinated reentry planning grant program. Brooke White reported this bill is from the Sheriffs Association. She noted the amended bill excludes Maricopa and Pima counties, while the original bill had also excluded Greenlee and Yuma counties. Discussion occurred.
- 4) [HB 2547](#): voting centers ban; precinct size. Jacob discussed HB 2547 and HCR 2032 together, as the two were identical except the HCR would go to the ballot rather than the Governor. Jacob added that passage at the ballot would make the initiative voter protected. He stated that 13 of the 15 counties use voting centers (Apache and Pinal counties do not). Supervisor Richard Lunt moved to oppose HB 2547. Supervisor Rex Scott seconded the motion. Discussion occurred. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5) [HCR 2032](#): voting centers; precinct voting. [see also HB 2547] Supervisor Manny Ruiz moved to oppose HCR 2032. Supervisor Richard Lunt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 6) [HB 2534](#): Native American tribes; TPT collection. Vanessa reported the bill would allow tribal entities that opt in and meet the requirements to become a consenting Indian tribe to collect TPT on tribal land and to be included as an entity in the county TPT distribution formula. She noted the bill sponsor had asked CSA earlier this week for feedback on the proposal from a technical perspective. She reported that TPT is not currently collected on transactions on tribal land. Vanessa stated that CSA provided an alternative to the proposal to take a portion of the state's share of TPT and create a separate tribal distribution bucket and not make modifications to the counties' distribution bucket. Discussion occurred.
- 7) [HB 2593](#): public records; time frame. Jacob reported he had received concerns from counties from the feedback received on this proposal. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Duce Minor moved to oppose HB 2593. Supervisor Richard Lunt seconded the motion. Further discussion occurred. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Legislative Issues

None.

Next Meeting Date and Time

President Steve Miller stated the next meeting will be held on Friday, February 2, at 8:30 a.m.

Other Business

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Steve Miller adjourned the meeting at 9:28/ a.m.