



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

County Supervisors Association
1905 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona

**MINUTES
February 14, 2025**

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| Call to Order: | Lynne Pancrazi | 8:30 a.m. |
| Present In Person: | Alton Joe Shepherd Lynne Pancrazi | Apache County Yuma County |
| Present Telephonically/Webinar: | Patrice Horstman Steve Christensen Paul David Will Wearne Duce Minor Kate Brophy McGee Sonny Borrelli Daryl Seymore Rex Scott Stephen Miller Rudy Molera Mary Mallory | Coconino County Gila County Graham County Greenlee County La Paz County Maricopa County Mohave County Navajo County Pima County Pinal County Santa Cruz County Yavapai County |
| Absent: | Frank Antenori | Cochise County |

Others present telephonically: Dustin Welker, Sharon Gilman, Alejandro Figueroa, Chris Keller, Rochelle Lacapa, Michael Racy, Michelle Hindman, Danny De Hoog, Blake Tonn, Keith Brekhus, Luke Mournian, Connie DeKemper, Kim Challender-Briggs, Lexi Davies, Wiame Nazir, Katy Dunn, Andy Tobin, Yvonne Ortega

Others present in person: Craig Sullivan, Penny Adams, Vanessa Fielder, Jacob Emmett, Kaytlin King, Zoe Averill, Tracy Alt

President Lynne Pancrazi welcomed everyone. Penny Adams called roll and a quorum was present.

Minutes for Consideration and Approval

Supervisor Mary Mallory moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2025, CSA Legislative Policy Committee meeting. Supervisor Sonny Borrelli seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

CSA Legislative Agenda

Adopted Budget Priorities. Craig Sullivan reported next week will be the last week to hear bills in committee in the house of origin, which will likely produce a lot of strikers. He noted that if legislation pops up that is contrary to counties' interests, CSA will confer with the CSA President for direction and then will bring the issue to the next LPC for notice and/or codification. He stated that committees are typically being held Monday through Wednesday, but at this stage some committees may flex into Thursday. Craig reported there is no real budget out yet, but he has heard some concerns from the majority party about no available resources for particular projects.

Adopted Policy Priorities. Craig reported SB 1035 on postconviction relief passed Senate Judiciary 7-0 thanks to Kaytlin King. He noted CSA's other priorities are in good positions.

Legislative Bills for Discussion and Possible Action

1) Bills for POSSIBLE ACTION

- a) **SB 1065**: appropriation; reduction; courts. Kaytlin King indicated SB 1065 would increase the FY 2025 appropriation reduction for the three court levels in an effort to address the state's budget deficit in FY 2025. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Mary Mallory moved to oppose SB 1065 as recommended by staff. Supervisor Patrice Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- b) **SCR 1004**: prohibit tax; monitoring; vehicle mileage. Jacob Emmett noted the LPC had voted to oppose SCR 1004 at the first LPC meeting, however, a subsequent sponsored amendment applied to county concerns. He thanked Supervisor Sonny Borrelli for his assistance with the bill sponsor. Jacob noted there is a mirror bill in the House. Discussion occurred with Maricopa County expressing concern the amendment did not address the Rule 205 concerns. Supervisor Sonny Borrelli moved to support SCR 1004 as amended. Supervisor Mary Mallory seconded the motion. The vote was too close on a voice vote so a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed with Supervisors Horstman, Brophy McGee, and Scott opposed.
- c) **HB 2704**: tax; distribution; county stadium district. Zoe Averill explained how HB 2704 proposes to divert monies into the County Stadium District Fund from the distribution base of the TPT collections. She reported the Joint Legislative Budget Committee has not released a fiscal note and the bill does not contain an expiration date. Supervisor Daryl Seymore moved to oppose HB 2704. Supervisor Steve Miller seconded the motion. Discussion occurred. The motion passed with Supervisor Sonny Borrelli opposed.
- d) **HB 2763**: state government; federal contracts; applicability. Kaytlin presented HB 2763. Supervisor Rex Scott moved to affirm staff's recommendation to support HB 2763. Supervisor Rudy Molera seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- e) **HB 2918**: tax rates; reduction. Zoe indicated HB 2918 would reduce the state's TPT rate from 5 percent to 4.93 percent, which would impact counties by more than \$40 million. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Paul David moved to oppose HB 2918 at staff's recommendation. Supervisor Alton Shepherd seconded the motion. Discussion occurred. The motion passed unanimously.
- f) **HB 2926**: TPT reimbursement; residential development. Zoe indicated HB 2926 would redirect prime contracting revenues from contracts related to constructing buildings and associated improvements for a residential development directly to either a city/town or county without going through the distribution base. She also noted there is no cap. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Rex Scott moved to affirm staff's recommendation to oppose HB 2926. Supervisor Patrice Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed with Supervisor Sonny Borrelli opposed.
- g) **HB 2927**: public meeting; records; requirements; penalties. Jacob indicated HB 2927 would impact calls to the public, online meeting minutes, and public records requests. Jacob noted counties expressed various concerns. Supervisor Daryl Seymore moved to oppose HB 2927 as staff recommended. Supervisor Will Wearne seconded the motion. Discussion occurred. The motion passed unanimously.
- h) **HB 2928**: accessory dwelling units; requirements. Jacob indicated HB 2928 was similar to a bill from last year, but now does not contain limits. Jacob noted counties expressed concerns. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Daryl Seymore moved to oppose as presented. Supervisor Rudy Molera seconded the motion. Further discussion occurred. The motion passed unanimously.

2) Bills for UPDATES

- a) **SB 1352**: rezoning; administrative act; referral. Jacob indicated SB 1352 is in response to a development in Scottsdale that was rezoned and subsequently referred to the ballot.

Other Legislative Issues

Craig Sullivan provided an update on SB 1148 CORP; defined contribution; membership election. He reported the bill was held in committee, which led to a stakeholder meeting held yesterday by the bill sponsor, Senator Payne, the Sheriffs Association, and CSA. He reported on the stakeholder meeting. He noted the LPC had previously opposed SB 1148, but partnered with the Sheriffs

Association to conduct a study that is still ongoing. Craig reported CSA will continue to evaluate this legislation moving forward. Discussion occurred.

Next Meeting Date and Time

President Lynne Pancrazi noted the next LPC meeting will be held in conjunction with the CSA Board of Directors meeting on February 20; there will not be an LPC meeting on February 28; and the next LPC meeting will be on March 7.

Other Business and Adjournment

There being no further business, President Lynne Pancrazi adjourned the meeting at 9:37 a.m.