



COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
(Teleconference/Web Conference Made Available)
County Supervisors Association
1905 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 13, 2026

Call to Order:	Alton Joe Shepherd	8:30 a.m.
Present In Person:	Alton Joe Shepherd	Apache County
Present Telephonically/Webinar:		
	Frank Antenori	Cochise County
	Lena Fowler	Coconino County
	Steve Christensen	Gila County
	Paul David	Graham County
	William Wearne	Greenlee County
	Duce Minor	La Paz County
	Kate Brophy McGee	Maricopa County
	Sonny Borrelli	Mohave County
	Jason Whiting	Navajo County
	Rex Scott	Pima County
	Stephen Miller	Pinal County
	Mary Mallory	Yavapai County
	Lynne Pancrazi	Yuma County
Absent:	Luis Carlos Davis	Santa Cruz County

Others present telephonically: Rich Vitiello, John Howard, Clay Mack, Phil Bourdon, Derek Rapier, Dustin Welker, Sharon Gilman, Chris Keller, Tami Ryall, Rochelle Lacapa, Alejandro Figueroa, , Michael Racy, Chelle Ewald, Connie DeKemper, Tami Ryall, Cynthia Gentle, Tristan Wulffson, Eric Petersen, Keith Brekhus, Marlyn Van Keuren, Shawn Johnson, Mark Barnes, Karen Kruse, Andy Jacobs, Andy Tobin

Others present in person: Craig Sullivan, Penny Adams, Vanessa Fielder, Jacob Emmett, Kaytlin King, Zoe Averill, Brandon Nee, Yvonne Ortega, Angel Gutierrez

President Alton Joe Shepherd welcomed everyone and sent well wishes to Supervisor Mary Mallory who had suffered a hip injury but had still joined us today. Penny Adams called roll and a quorum was present.

Minutes for Consideration and Approval

Supervisor Steve Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2026, CSA Legislative Policy Committee meeting. Supervisor Lena Fowler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Authorization for CSA Staff to Act on Items at Direction of CSA President

Craig Sullivan explained the necessity at times to work with the CSA President at the president's discretion to act on immediate matters that occur at the legislature and then report back to the Legislative Policy Committee at the next meeting. He noted this has been done in previous years. He provided an example of a matter that occurred this week that needed immediate action and he worked with President Shepherd for the correct action. Supervisor Duce Minor moved to approve to authorize CSA staff to act on items at direction of CSA



President. Supervisor Rex Scott seconded the motion. Discussion occurred in support of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CSA Legislative Agenda

Legislative Context. Jacob Emnett provided an overview of the current legislative context, indicating that over 2,000 bills have been introduced and the House number designation moved up to the 4,000s. He noted the last day to hear bills in policy committees will occur next week and then the following week will be crossover week.

Adopted Budget Priorities and Adopted Policy Priorities. Jacob reported on the status of the Association's adopted budget priorities and legislative priority bills, giving details on a few of the bills. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Rich Vitiello asked for the status of HB 2400 motor fuel tax holiday. Vanessa Fielder stated the LPC had previously voted to oppose this bill and then explained the bill. Discussion occurred.

Legislative Bills for Discussion and Possible Action

FOR ACTION

Fees

- 1) **HCR 2052:** rates; fees; taxes; increase; moratorium (*Olson*) & **HB 4030:** rates; fees; taxes; increase; moratorium. Zoe Averill explained CSA testified in House Ways & Means this week with a position of opposition at the direction of the CSA President and CSA is looking to the LPC to approve/codify that opposition. She then explained the bills on how they would restrict revenue authority. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Lena Fowler moved to oppose HCR 2052 and HB 4030. Supervisor Sonny Borrelli seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Short Term Rentals

- 2) **HB 2429:** vacation rentals; short-term rentals; occupancy. Jacob Emnett explained a strike-everything amendment that will be proposed in House Commerce next week on HB 2429. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Lena Fowler moved to support HB 2429 and Supervisor Lynne Pancrazi seconded the motion. The motion passed with Supervisors Steve Christensen and Frank Antenori opposed.

Elections

- 3) **SB 1746:** elections; voting centers; polling places. Kaytlin King explained SB 1746 and noted that in previous years the LPC has opposed this type of legislation. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Rex Scott moved to oppose SB 1746 and Supervisor Lynne Pancrazi seconded the motion. Further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4) **SB 1852 [sic] 1825:** precinct committeemen; vacancy; application. Kaytlin King stated the agenda held a typo on the bill number. She reported on SB 1825 and noted feedback had been received. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Frank Antenori moved to oppose SB 1825. Supervisor Sonny Borrelli seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- *Planning and Zoning*

- 5) **SB 1787:** exactions; individualized determinations; appeal. Jacob stated SB 1787 was only recently sent to the counties for feedback. He noted it is scheduled to be in committee next week. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Kate Brophy McGee made a motion to oppose SB 1787, as written. Supervisor Sonny Borrelli seconded the motion. Further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6) **HB 2946:** municipalities; counties; development fees. Jacob reported on HB 2946. Supervisor Steve Miller made a motion to oppose HB 2946 and Supervisor Lena Fowler seconded the motion. Discussion occurred. The motion passed unanimously.

Courts

- 7) **SB 1234**: juvenile court proceedings; appointment; attorney. Kaytlin explained SB 1234 and noted it would increase costs to the court and, therefore, to the counties. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Kate Brophy McGee moved to oppose SB 1234 and Supervisor Lena Fowler seconded the motion. Further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8) **HB 2944**: impaired persons; court-ordered stabilization. Kaytlin stated feedback received was similar to last year. She noted some inconsistencies in the bill. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Steve Miller moved to oppose HB 2944. Supervisor Lynne Pancrazi seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

TPT Exemptions

- 9) **SB 1744**: TPT; exemption; fire truck; ambulance. Vanessa Fielder noted SB 1744 was double assigned to Finance and Appropriations committees, but since it was not yet on a Finance agenda, the bill may not move. She reported on the bill for informational purposes only.

Other

- 10) **SB 1547**: alternative fuel tax. Zoe reported CSA testified in support of SB 1547 in committee this week because it aligns with the CSA transportation resolution adopted. She noted the electric vehicle industry testified in opposition on the grounds of double taxation. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Steve Miller moved to support SB 1547. Supervisor Lena Fowler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

FOR INFORMATION

Jacob Emmett provided information on each of the following bills for informational purposes only. Discussion occurred.

- 11) Community Facilities District Striker.
- 12) **HB 2824**: capital improvement; financing program.
- 13) **HB 2876**: public bodies; executive sessions; agenda.

Updates

- 1) **SB 1504**: PSPRS; service requirement; cost-of-living adjustment. Vanessa Fielder reported SB 1504 passed 5-2 in Senate Public Safety. She indicated a more detailed briefing will be provided at next week's CSA board meeting.
- 2) **HB 2766**: erroneous convictions; compensation; procedures. Jacob Emmett indicated HB 2766 could be struck onto another bill and CSA will continue to watch it.

Other Legislative Issues

Supervisor Steve Miller indicated he would send information to CSA about a meeting he had with Arizona Special Districts on legislation that raises the income limits that could decrease revenues for some special districts.

Next Meeting Date and Time

Craig Sullivan encouraged participation at next Thursday's Learning Series on energy discussion with SRP that will begin at 8:30 a.m. prior to the CSA board meeting at 10:00 a.m. He provided a reminder that there would not be an LPC meeting on that Friday and the next LPC meeting would be held on February 27 at 8:30 a.m. Supervisor Rex Scott sent wishes for a speedy recovery to Supervisor Mary Mallory.

Other Business and Adjournment

There being no further business, President Alton Joe Shepherd adjourned the meeting at 9.57 a.m.