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Fire Services / EMS / Ambulance

Posted Calendars and Committee Hearings

- H2077: STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS
Hearing: House Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, House Rm. 4)
- H2294: YIELDING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES; PENALTIES
Hearing: House Military Affairs & Public Safety (Monday 01/25/21 at 2:00 PM, House Rm. 1)
- S1220: MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS; TRAUMA COUNSELING
Hearing: Senate Health & Human Services (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, Senate Rm. 1)

Bill Summaries

H2077: STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS

Limits the amount of State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) monies used to fund staff support to 10 percent of monies deposited in SLIF annually. Allows SLIF monies to be used for water search and rescue operations. Allows monies in the State Parks Revenue Fund (SPRF) to be used for the administration of the state park system. Appropriates \$3 million from the general fund and \$2 million from the SPRF in FY2020-21 to the Arizona State Parks Board for operating costs.

First sponsor: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5)

Others: Sen. Borrelli (R - Dist 5), Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5)

H2077 Daily History	Date	Action
STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS	1/21	from House appro do pass.
STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS	1/20	House appro do pass; report awaited.
STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS	1/20	from House nat res-energy-water do pass.
STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS	1/19	House nat res-energy-water do pass; report awaited.
STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND; APPROPRIATIONS	1/14	referred to House nat res-energy-water, appro.

H2294: YIELDING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES; PENALTIES

A person who violates the requirement to move over to slow down when approaching a stationary vehicle displaying flashing lights or warning lights is subject to a civil penalty of \$275 for a first violation, \$500 for a second violation, and \$1,000 for a third or subsequent violation. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is required to educate the public about the requirement to move over or slow down periodically throughout the year and maintain information about the requirement on the ADOT website.

First sponsor: Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

Others: Rep. Pingerelli (R - Dist 21)

H2294 Daily History	Date	Action
YIELDING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES; PENALTIES	1/20	referred to House mil-pub safety.

H2304: APPROPRIATIONS; FIRE DISTRICTS; VERNON; SPRINGERVILLE

Appropriates \$100,000 from the general fund in FY2021-22 to The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management to distribute to the Vernon fire district for equipment and training. Appropriates \$100,000 from the general fund in FY2021-22 to The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management to distribute to the Springerville fire district for equipment and training.

First sponsor: Rep. Teller (D - Dist 7)

H2304 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2422: PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS

Establishes a patients' bill of rights and requires health care providers to have each patient sign that the patient received a copy of the patients' bill of rights. The patients' bill of rights states that each patient is guaranteed the freedom to consult with the physician of their choice, be treated confidentially, refuse medical treatment, be informed about medical conditions and risks and benefits of treatment, communicate with family members, and receive full disclosure of their health care insurance plan in plain language.

First sponsor: Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22)

Others: Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14), Rep. Wilmeth (R - Dist 15)

H2422 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2423: IMMUNIZATIONS; EXEMPTION; REQUIREMENTS

A person who is required to receive an immunization for any purpose, including as a condition of employment, school attendance or obtaining any license, certification or degree, is allowed to claim an exemption from the immunization requirement if there is not a vaccine that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration available to fulfill the requirement that also meets all of a list of specified criteria, including that the risk of permanent disability or death from the vaccine has been proven to be less than that caused by the infection it is intended to prevent. A person may claim the exemption on the person's own behalf or on behalf of the person's child or dependent.

First sponsor: Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22)

Others: Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14), Rep. Wilmeth (R - Dist 15)

H2423 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2440: HAZARDOUS VEGETATION REMOVAL; STATE FORESTER

To implement the program to remove vegetative natural products where the vegetation is hazardous, the State Forester is authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement or memorandum of understanding with a public agency to identify and remove the hazardous vegetation from land in this state, including state, federal, tribal and private lands for the purposes of fire prevention, forest and watershed restoration and critical infrastructure protection. Does not apply to State Trust Land. The State Forester is authorized to use legislative appropriations and accept and spend monies from public agencies, gifts, donations and grants for the costs of implementing this legislation. The consent of the property owner is required to remove hazardous vegetation on private property.

First sponsor: Rep. Griffin (R - Dist 14)

H2440 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2455: FIRE DISTRICTS; PENSION LIABILITY; FINANCING

A fire district, through the district board, is authorized to lease, lease-purchase or grant a lien on any or all of its present or future property to pay amounts to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, pension prefunding plan investment accounts, and the Arizona Employers' Pension Prefunding Plan, and to create reserves to supplement those payments as deemed necessary by the board.

First sponsor: Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5)

H2455 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2506: WORKERS' COMPENSATION; RATES; FIREFIGHTERS; CANCER

Fire investigators are added to the presumption that specified types of cancer and related diseases that result in disability or death are an occupational disease and are deemed to arise out of employment if specified conditions are met. All insurance carriers, self-insuring employers and workers' compensation pools that secure workers' compensation for firefighters and fire investigators are required to compile and report to the Industrial Commission claim and claim reserve information for all cancer-related claims filed by or on behalf of firefighters and fire investigators. The Commission is required to compile and make available to insurance carriers, rating organizations, employers, public safety workers and workers' compensation pools the claim-related information collected to assist with the setting of workers' compensation insurance rates. In addition to the six uniform percentage deviations already authorized by statute, insurers covering firefighters and fire investigators are permitted to file one uniform percentage deviation that increases the statewide rates under the rating organization's rate filing for the class codes associated with firefighters and fire investigators to address the anticipated increase in losses and expenses for claims that are compensable due to the workers' compensation presumption. The deviation filing must be accompanied by analysis from an actuary that substantively illustrates the basis for the rate increase. Contains a legislative intent section.

First sponsor: Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

H2506 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2615: EPINEPHRINE INJECTIONS; FIRST RESPONDERS IMMUNITY

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Osborne (R - Dist 13)

Others: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6), Rep. Bowers (R - Dist 25), Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5)

H2615 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2623: FIREWORKS; USE; OVERNIGHT HOURS; PROHIBITION

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Shah (D - Dist 24)

Others: Rep. Bowers (R - Dist 25), Rep. Lieberman (D - Dist 28), Rep. Longdon (D - Dist 24), Rep. Nguyen (R - Dist 1), Rep. Osborne (R - Dist 13), Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

H2623 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2627: HEALTH FACILITIES; RESUSCITATION; EMERGENCY CARE

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Shah (D - Dist 24)
Others: Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. M. Hernandez (D - Dist 26)

H2627 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1125: BIAS MOTIVATED INTIMIDATION; FIRST RESPONDERS

Establishes the crime of bias motivated intimidation, a class 4 (lower mid-level) felony. A person commits bias motivated intimidation if the person maliciously and intentionally intimidates, harasses or terrorizes another person because of that person's actual or perceived employment as a "first responder" (defined) and the intimidation, harassment or terror causes either the death of or serious physical injury to another person, or damage to or the destruction of any real or personal property of another person where the amount of the damage or the value of the destroyed property exceeds \$500.

First sponsor: Sen. Gowan (R - Dist 14)

S1125 Daily History	Date	Action
BIAS MOTIVATED INTIMIDATION; FIRST RESPONDERS 1/12 referred to Senate jud.		

S1220: MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS; TRAUMA COUNSELING

For the purpose of programs to provide peace officers and firefighters with traumatic event counseling, the definition of "licensed mental health professional" is expanded to include mental health professionals who are licensed by the Board of Behavioral Health Examiners and who hold either a master's or doctoral degree related to the mental health profession.

First sponsor: Sen. Gray (R - Dist 21)

S1220 Daily History	Date	Action
MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS; TRAUMA COUNSELING 1/20 referred to Senate hel-hu ser.		

S1247: OPIOID PRESCRIPTIONS; NALOXONE REQUIREMENT; EXCEPTION

The requirement for a health professional prescribing a patient more than 90 morphine milligram equivalents per day to also prescribe naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist does not apply to a patient who is receiving hospice care or end-of-life care.

First sponsor: Sen. Bowie (D - Dist 18)

S1247 Daily History	Date	Action
OPIOID PRESCRIPTIONS; NALOXONE REQUIREMENT; EXCEPTION 1/21 referred to Senate hel-hu ser.		

S1298: FIRE DISTRICTS; PENSION LIABILITY; FINANCING

A fire district, through the district board, is authorized to lease, lease-purchase or grant a lien on any or all of its present or future property to pay amounts to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, pension prefunding plan investment accounts, and the Arizona Employers' Pension Prefunding Plan, and to create reserves to supplement those payments as deemed necessary by the board.

First sponsor: Sen. Shope (R - Dist 8)

S1298 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1334: FIREWORKS; AERIAL DEVICES

The definition of "permissible consumer fireworks" in a county with a population of more than 500,000 persons is expanded to include "multiple-tube aerial devices" (defined as specified mine and shell devices and multiple tube fireworks devices and pyrotechnic articles that are defined in an American Pyrotechnics Association rule, with some exclusions).

First sponsor: Sen. Gowan (R - Dist 14)

S1334 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

Governance & Regulatory

Posted Calendars and Committee Hearings

- H2014: GRRC; PETITION TO REQUEST REVIEW
Hearing: House Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, House Rm. 4)
- H2030: HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS; FIRST RESPONDER FLAGS
Hearing: House Government & Elections (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 1)
- H2243: OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE
Hearing: House Commerce (Tuesday 01/26/21 at 2:00 PM, House Rm. 3)
- S1042: WORKERS' COMPENSATION; SETTINGS; DEFINITION
Hearing: Senate Finance (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, Senate Rm. 109)
- S1149: OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)

Bill Summaries

H2014: GRRC; PETITION TO REQUEST REVIEW

A person is permitted to petition the Governor's Regulatory Review Council (GRRC) to request a review of an existing agency practice that involves interpreting a rule adopted by the agency, substantive policy statement, or final rule of an agency established under statute governing campaign finance, including the Citizens Clean Elections Act, based on the person's belief that the practice, policy, or rule does not meet the requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act, exceeds the agency's statutory authority or violates the state Constitution or the U.S. Constitution. If, after a public hearing, GRRC determines that the practice, policy, action or rule does not meet these requirements, GRRC is authorized to modify, revise or declare void any practice, policy, or rule.

First sponsor: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5)

H2014 Daily History	Date	Action
GRRC; PETITION TO REQUEST REVIEW	1/13	from House gov-elect do pass.
GRRC; PETITION TO REQUEST REVIEW	1/13	House gov-elect do pass; report awaited.
GRRC; PETITION TO REQUEST REVIEW	1/11	referred to House gov-elect.

H2030: HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS; FIRST RESPONDER FLAGS

Condominium associations and homeowners associations cannot prohibit the display of a flag that represents one or more categories of first responders.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2030 Daily History	Date	Action
HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS; FIRST RESPONDER FLAGS	1/12	referred to House gov-elect.

H2092: RULEMAKING REVIEW; TIME FRAME

When the Legislature has granted a one-time rulemaking exemption to an agency, the agency is required to review any rule adopted under the exemption within six months after the rule was adopted, reduced from one year, to determine whether it should be amended or repealed.

First sponsor: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13)

H2092 Daily History	Date	Action
RULEMAKING REVIEW; TIME FRAME 1/14 referred to House gov-elect.		

H2243: OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE

A regulating entity under Title 32 (Professions and Occupations) is required to prominently print a specified notice regarding reciprocity on all license and certificate applications and regulating entity websites.

First sponsor: Rep. Grantham (R - Dist 12)

H2243 Daily History	Date	Action
OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE 1/20 referred to House com.		

H2265: RULEMAKING; EXPEDITED PROCESS; RULE EXPIRATION

A state agency that seeks to expire a rule or rules is authorized to file a notice of intent to expire with the Governor's Regulatory Review Council (GRRC). GRRC is required to place the notice on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting for consideration. If a quorum of GRRC approves the notice, GRRC is required to cause a notice of rule expiration to be prepared and provide the notice of rule expiration to the agency for filing with the Secretary of State.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2265 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2524: COUNTIES; CITIES; TOWNS; COVID EXPENDITURES

By September 1, 2021, each county and municipality is required to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature of all expenditures made in FY2019-20 and FY2020-21 from each "COVID-related federal or state fund source" (defined). Specific information that must be included in the report is listed.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2524 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2526: INCORPORATION; URBANIZED AREAS

Modifies requirements for a community to incorporate as a city or town to require the map and petition to be file simultaneously or within 24 hours of each other. Before obtaining any signatures on a petition for incorporation, the petitioners are required to publish a copy of the petition in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to be affected for two consecutive weeks. Makes other changes to the process of filing a petition for incorporation.

First sponsor: Rep. Pratt (R - Dist 8)

H2526 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1042: WORKERS' COMPENSATION; SETTINGS; DEFINITION

For the purpose of statute allowing the Industrial Commission to include separate reimbursement guidelines for medications dispensed in settings that are not accessible to the general public, "settings that are not accessible to the general public" is defined as any setting to which a member of the general public, with a workers compensation claim, either does not have access or has only restricted or limited access, including limited access because of an affiliation with a specific provider. Emergency clause.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)
Others: Sen. Fann (R - Dist 1)

S1042 Daily History	Date	Action
WORKERS' COMPENSATION; SETTINGS; DEFINITION	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1074: LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; AUDITS; PUBLIC MEETING

Within 90 days after completing a financial audit, county board of supervisors, municipal governing bodies, and community college districts boards must require the certified public accountant or auditor who performed the audit to present the audit results and any findings to the board or governing body in a regular meeting without the use of a consent agenda. The board or governing body is required to accept the audit results and any findings by a roll call vote.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1074 Daily History	Date	Action
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; AUDITS; PUBLIC MEETING	1/20	referred to Senate gov.

S1089: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS; UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE

A person who is not licensed and who practices or attempts to practice or who holds himself out as trained and authorized to practice behavioral health, including diagnosing or treating any mental ailment, disease, disorder or other mental condition of any person, without being authorized by law to perform the act, is engaging in the unauthorized practice of behavioral health, is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor and is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$500 for each offense. A person who conspires with or aids and abets another to commit any act constituting the unauthorized practice of behavioral health is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor and is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$500 for each offense. The Board of Behavioral Health Examiners is required to notify the Department of Health Services if a licensed health care institution employs or contracts with a person who is investigated for the unauthorized practice of behavioral health.

First sponsor: Sen. Pace (R - Dist 25)

S1089 Daily History	Date	Action
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS; UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE	1/20	referred to Senate hel-hu ser.

S1149: OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE

A regulating entity under Title 32 (Professions and Occupations) is required to prominently print a specified notice regarding reciprocity on all license and certificate applications and regulating entity websites.

First sponsor: Sen. Petersen (R - Dist 12)

S1149 Daily History	Date	Action
OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE	1/21	from Senate com do pass.
OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE	1/20	Senate com do pass; report awaited.
OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; NOTICE	1/13	referred to Senate com.

S1267: RECORD OF PROCEEDING; ELECTRONIC RECORDING

The state, state agencies, political subdivisions, the judiciary and courts of law are authorized to use for any purpose electronic devices in lieu of court reporters or stenographers. If requested by either party in writing at least five court days before a trial or hearing, a court reporter or stenographer must be used if available on the day of the trial or hearing. Some exceptions. Either party is permitted to provide a certified reporter or stenographer in addition to the electronic devices used by a court to record the proceedings. The official record of the proceedings is the record prepared by the court pursuant to rules adopted by the Supreme Court.

First sponsor: Sen. Petersen (R - Dist 12)

S1267 Daily History	Date	Action
RECORD OF PROCEEDING; ELECTRONIC RECORDING	1/21	referred to Senate jud.

S1299: INCORPORATION; URBANIZED AREAS

Modifies requirements for a community to incorporate as a city or town to require the map and petition to be file simultaneously or within 24 hours of each other. Before obtaining any signatures on a petition for incorporation, the petitioners are required to publish a copy of the petition in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to be affected for two consecutive weeks. Makes other changes to the process of filing a petition for incorporation.

First sponsor: Sen. Shope (R - Dist 8)

S1299 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

Pension Systems

Posted Calendars and Committee Hearings

- H2008: ASRS; EMPLOYER; MEMBER; CONTRIBUTIONS
Hearing: House Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, House Rm. 4)
- H2059: RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK
Hearing: House Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, House Rm. 4)
- H2139: ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PRGGRAM
Hearing: House Government & Elections (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 1)
- S1043: PUBLIC SAFETY; CANCER INSURANCE; ELIGIBILITY
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1045: DEFINED CONTRIBUTION; HEALTH SUBSIDY; DISABILITY
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1046: MEMBER DISTRIBUTIONS; DEFERRED RETIREMENT; TRANSFERS
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1051: ASRS; EMPLOYER PAYMENTS; INELIGIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1052: ASRS; REQUIRED BEGINNING DATE; DISTRIBUTIONS
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1053: ASRS; NONPARTICIPATORY EMPLOYER LIABILITY
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1054: ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM
Hearing: Senate Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, Caucus Rm. 1)
- S1214: PSPRS; CORP; LOCAL BOARDS; CONSOLIDATION
Hearing: Senate Finance (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, Senate Rm. 109)

Bill Summaries

H2008: ASRS; EMPLOYER; MEMBER; CONTRIBUTIONS

The Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) is prohibited from paying an employer earnings attributable to excess contributions but is required to reduce the amount returned to an employer by the amount of losses attributable to the excess contributions. On receipt of an employer credit or return of contributions, the employer is required to return any member portion of the returned contributions to the member. If an employer pays less than the correct amount of employer or member contributions into ASRS, the correct amount of member contributions is prohibited from being paid to ASRS after the death of the member.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2008 Daily History	Date	Action
ASRS; EMPLOYER; MEMBER; CONTRIBUTIONS	1/13	from House gov-elect do pass.
ASRS; EMPLOYER; MEMBER; CONTRIBUTIONS	1/13	House gov-elect do pass; report awaited.
ASRS; EMPLOYER; MEMBER; CONTRIBUTIONS	1/11	referred to House gov-elect.

H2059: RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK

In the computation of average monthly benefit compensation for the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, a period of nonpaid or partially paid industrial leave must be considered based on the compensation the employee would have received in the employee's job classification if the employee was not on industrial leave. Payment of benefits to a Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, Corrections Officer Retirement Plan or Elected Officials' Retirement Plan member are required to commence no later than April 1 of the calendar year following the later of the date the member terminates employment or the calendar year in which the member attains 72 years of age, increased from 70.5 years of age.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2059 Daily History	Date	Action
RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK	1/20	from House gov-elect do pass.
RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK	1/20	House gov-elect do pass; report awaited.
RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK	1/14	referred to House gov-elect.

H2139: ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PRGGRAM

If the Arizona State Retirement System Board determines that a self-insurance program should no longer be offered, the monies in the self-insurance program account must be used to provide any remaining benefits and to pay administration costs for the program or health insurance premium payments. If those liabilities are satisfied, the Board is required to return any remaining monies to the employer. Previously, the monies were required to be transferred to another account of ASRS as determined by the Board.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2139 Daily History	Date	Action
ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PRGGRAM	1/20	referred to House gov-elect.

H2356: ASRS; NONPARTICIPATORY EMPLOYER LIABILITY

The list of Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) nonparticipating employers is modified to remove an employer that is no longer contributing to ASRS on behalf of current employees due to a reduction in the number of actively contributing employees by 30 percent or more over a 3-year period or a reduction in the number of actively contributing employees by 50 percent or more over any period of time, based on the number of contributing employees as of August 3, 2018. [Capitol Reports Note: This type of nonparticipating employer was added by Laws 2018, Chapter 210.]

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2356 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2381: PSPRS; CORP; LOCAL BOARDS; CONSOLIDATION

Various changes to statutes governing the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) and Corrections Officer Retirement Plan (CORP). The powers and duties of PSPRS local boards and CORP local boards are expanded to include deciding all questions of eligibility for membership and disability and in the line of duty death benefits, and a uniform process for reviewing applications for these benefits is established. Each PSPRS local board and CORP local board is required to hire an independent legal counsel. PSPRS and CORP local board members are required to complete local board training within 180 days after appointment or election. PSPRS and CORP employers and local boards are required to submit any materials requested by the PSPRS Board of Trustees for any reason. If the PSPRS Board of Trustees finds through an audit or investigation that a local board is not in compliance with statute or rule, the local board has 60 days to take corrective action, and failure to take adequate correction action authorizes the Board of Trustees to act on behalf of that local board until the matter is resolved. PSPRS and CORP

local boards are authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with other local boards to consolidate the boards. Effective January 1, 2022.

First sponsor: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6)

H2381 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2455: FIRE DISTRICTS; PENSION LIABILITY; FINANCING

A fire district, through the district board, is authorized to lease, lease-purchase or grant a lien on any or all of its present or future property to pay amounts to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, pension prefunding plan investment accounts, and the Arizona Employers' Pension Prefunding Plan, and to create reserves to supplement those payments as deemed necessary by the board.

First sponsor: Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5)

H2455 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2604: RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BOARDS; PAID LEAVE

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6)

H2604 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2612: RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; INVESTMENT FEES; DISCLOSURES

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Salman (D - Dist 26)

Others: Rep. Stahl Hamilton (D - Dist 10), Rep. Teran (D - Dist 30)

H2612 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1043: PUBLIC SAFETY; CANCER INSURANCE; ELIGIBILITY

The Board of Trustees of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System is required to annually review the premiums required under the Public Safety Cancer Insurance Policy Program to ensure the financial security of the Program. Persons eligible for coverage under the Program remain eligible upon retirement for the statutorily specified time periods, regardless of whether the person has a cancer diagnosis.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1043 Daily History	Date	Action
PUBLIC SAFETY; CANCER INSURANCE; ELIGIBILITY	1/14	from Senate fin do pass.
PUBLIC SAFETY; CANCER INSURANCE; ELIGIBILITY	1/13	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
PUBLIC SAFETY; CANCER INSURANCE; ELIGIBILITY	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1045: DEFINED CONTRIBUTION; HEALTH SUBSIDY; DISABILITY

Retired members of the Public Safety Personnel Defined Contribution Retirement System are no longer required to pay the premium for coverage in the group health and accident coverage and are no longer excluded from eligibility for benefits under the health insurance premium assistance program for members with disabilities. The accidental disability pension for a member of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System must be at least 50 percent of the member's average monthly benefit compensation.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1045 Daily History	Date	Action
DEFINED CONTRIBUTION; HEALTH SUBSIDY; DISABILITY	1/14	from Senate fin do pass.
DEFINED CONTRIBUTION; HEALTH SUBSIDY; DISABILITY	1/13	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
DEFINED CONTRIBUTION; HEALTH SUBSIDY; DISABILITY	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1046: MEMBER DISTRIBUTIONS; DEFERRED RETIREMENT; TRANSFERS

For the purpose of Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) rollover distributions, the definition of "eligible retirement plan" is expanded to include a Roth individual retirement account that satisfies the requirements of section 408A of the federal Internal Revenue Code. A PSPRS member or the member's surviving spouse who is entitled to receive an eligible rollover distribution is authorized to elect to directly roll over all or part of that distribution to an eligible retirement plan, and a member's beneficiary other than the spouse is authorized, on the death of the member, to elect to directly roll over all or part of an eligible rollover distribution from the system. Requirements for eligible rollover distributions are specified. Retroactive to January 1, 2020.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1046 Daily History	Date	Action
MEMBER DISTRIBUTIONS; DEFERRED RETIREMENT; TRANSFERS	1/20	from Senate fin do pass.
MEMBER DISTRIBUTIONS; DEFERRED RETIREMENT; TRANSFERS	1/20	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
MEMBER DISTRIBUTIONS; DEFERRED RETIREMENT; TRANSFERS	1/13	Senate fin held.
MEMBER DISTRIBUTIONS; DEFERRED RETIREMENT; TRANSFERS	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1051: ASRS; EMPLOYER PAYMENTS; INELIGIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

In statutes governing employer payments for ineligible contributions to the Arizona State Retirement System, the term "shall" provide a benefit or credit replaces the term "is legally obligated to" provide a benefit or credit.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1051 Daily History	Date	Action
ASRS; EMPLOYER PAYMENTS; INELIGIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS	1/20	from Senate fin do pass.
ASRS; EMPLOYER PAYMENTS; INELIGIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS	1/20	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
ASRS; EMPLOYER PAYMENTS; INELIGIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1052: ASRS; REQUIRED BEGINNING DATE; DISTRIBUTIONS

For the purpose of the requirement that payment of an Arizona State Retirement System member's deferred benefits begin by the member's "required beginning date," the definition of "required beginning date" is modified to refer to the federal Internal Revenue Code, instead of April 1 following the calendar year in which the member attains 70.5 years of age. If a member dies after the member's required beginning date and the member had not commenced distribution of retirement benefits, ASRS is required to treat the member as having commenced distribution of retirement benefits on the required beginning date.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1052 Daily History	Date	Action
ASRS; REQUIRED BEGINNING DATE; DISTRIBUTIONS	1/20	from Senate fin do pass.
ASRS; REQUIRED BEGINNING DATE; DISTRIBUTIONS	1/20	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
ASRS; REQUIRED BEGINNING DATE; DISTRIBUTIONS	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1053: ASRS; NONPARTICIPATORY EMPLOYER LIABILITY

The list of Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) nonparticipating employers is modified to remove an employer that is no longer contributing to ASRS on behalf of current employees due to a reduction in the number of actively contributing employees by 30 percent or more over a 3-year period or a reduction in the number of actively contributing employees by 50 percent or more over any period of time, based on the number of contributing employees as of August 3, 2018. [Capitol Reports Note: This type of nonparticipating employer was added by Laws 2018, Chapter 210.]

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1053 Daily History	Date	Action
ASRS; NONPARTICIPATORY EMPLOYER LIABILITY	1/20	from Senate fin do pass.
ASRS; NONPARTICIPATORY EMPLOYER LIABILITY	1/20	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
ASRS; NONPARTICIPATORY EMPLOYER LIABILITY	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1054: ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM

If the Arizona State Retirement System Board determines that a self-insurance program should no longer be offered, the monies in the self-insurance program account must be used to provide any remaining benefits and to pay administration costs for the program or health insurance premium payments. If those liabilities are satisfied, the Board is required to return any remaining monies to the employer. Previously, the monies were required to be transferred to another account of ASRS as determined by the Board.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1054 Daily History	Date	Action
ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM	1/20	from Senate fin do pass.
ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM	1/20	Senate fin do pass; report awaited.
ASRS; SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM	1/11	referred to Senate fin.

S1136: RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK

In the computation of average monthly benefit compensation for the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, a period of nonpaid or partially paid industrial leave must be considered based on the compensation the employee would have received in the employee's job classification if the employee was not on industrial leave. Payment of benefits to a Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, Corrections Officer Retirement Plan or Elected Officials' Retirement Plan member are required to commence no later than April 1 of the calendar year following the later of the date the member terminates employment or the calendar year in which the member attains 72 years of age, increased from 70.5 years of age.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1136 Daily History	Date	Action
RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; BENEFIT COMPUTATION; RETURN-TO-WORK	1/20	referred to Senate fin.

S1214: PSPRS; CORP; LOCAL BOARDS; CONSOLIDATION

Various changes to statutes governing the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) and Corrections Officer Retirement Plan (CORP). The powers and duties of PSPRS local boards and CORP local boards are expanded to include deciding all questions of eligibility for membership and disability and in the line of duty death benefits, and a uniform process for reviewing applications for these benefits is established. Each PSPRS local board and CORP local board is required to hire an independent legal counsel. PSPRS and CORP local board members are required to complete local board training within 180 days after appointment or election. PSPRS and CORP employers and local boards are required to submit any materials requested by the PSPRS Board of Trustees for any reason. If the PSPRS Board of Trustees finds through an audit or investigation that a local board is not in compliance with statute or rule, the local board has 60 days to take corrective action, and failure to take adequate correction action authorizes the Board of Trustees to act on behalf of that local board until the matter is resolved. PSPRS and CORP local boards are authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with other local boards to consolidate the boards. Effective January 1, 2022.

First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

S1214 Daily History

Date Action

PSPRS; CORP; LOCAL BOARDS; CONSOLIDATION 1/20 referred to Senate fin.

S1298: FIRE DISTRICTS; PENSION LIABILITY; FINANCING

A fire district, through the district board, is authorized to lease, lease-purchase or grant a lien on any or all of its present or future property to pay amounts to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, pension prefunding plan investment accounts, and the Arizona Employers' Pension Prefunding Plan, and to create reserves to supplement those payments as deemed necessary by the board.

First sponsor: Sen. Shope (R - Dist 8)

S1298 Daily History

Date Action

No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.

Revenue & Taxation

Posted Calendars and Committee Hearings

- H2025: DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX; INTEREST; WAIVER
Hearing: House Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, House Rm. 4)
- H2316: CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; VALUATION; PIPELINES
Hearing: House Ways & Means (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 3)
- H2331: PROPERTY TAX; MOBILE HOMES; DELINQUENCY
Hearing: House Ways & Means (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 3)
- S1111: CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; VALUATION; PIPELINES
Hearing: Senate Finance (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, Senate Rm. 109)

Bill Summaries

H2025: DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX; INTEREST; WAIVER

The county treasurer is authorized to waive the interest that accrues on delinquent property taxes, and any other penalties, for a delinquency that occurs during the one-year period after a mortgage or deed of trust is satisfied or otherwise released on the property. A taxpayer may receive this waiver only once per property.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2025 Daily History	Date	Action
DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX; INTEREST; WAIVER	1/20	from House ways-means do pass.
DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX; INTEREST; WAIVER	1/20	House ways-means do pass; report awaited.
DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX; INTEREST; WAIVER	1/12	referred to House ways-means.

H2153: RENEWABLE ENERGY STORAGE EQUIPMENT; VALUATION

For property tax purposes, the reduced valuation of renewable energy equipment of 20 percent of the depreciated cost of the equipment is expanded to include renewable "energy storage" (defined) equipment. For the purpose of the valuation of energy storage equipment, all energy storage equipment, both colocated with renewable energy and stand-alone energy storage equipment, qualifies for the valuation. The list of deductions from the retail classification of transaction privilege and use taxes is expanded to include "machinery and equipment used directly" (defined) for "energy storage" (defined) for later electrical use. The list of items that municipalities and special taxing districts are prohibited from levying a transaction privilege or other similar tax on is expanded to include the gross proceeds from sales or gross income derived from sales of machinery and equipment used directly for energy storage for later electrical use. County or municipal renewable energy incentive districts are expanded to include renewable energy storage equipment.

First sponsor: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13)
Others: Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8)

H2153 Daily History	Date	Action
RENEWABLE ENERGY STORAGE EQUIPMENT; VALUATION	1/20	referred to House ways-means.

H2316: CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; VALUATION; PIPELINES

The "base value" (defined), which is part of the calculation for determining property taxes on pipeline property, is required to be adjusted if one of a list of specified circumstances applies, including a final ruling by a court of competent jurisdiction in Arizona that the full cash value of a pipeline in Arizona is more than the market value using standard appraisal methods, and specified agreements between a pipeline company and the Department of Revenue to adjust the base value as a result of a pending tax appeal or to correct an error in the calculation of full cash value of the system plant in service. Retroactive to tax years beginning with 2016.

First sponsor: Rep. Toma (R - Dist 22)

H2316 Daily History	Date	Action
CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; VALUATION; PIPELINES	1/21	referred to House ways-means.

H2331: PROPERTY TAX; MOBILE HOMES; DELINQUENCY

For a mobile home for which an affidavit of affixture has not been recorded, that is not placed on the real property roll and that is used as the owner's primary residence, the delinquent taxes may be collected only after the tax is delinquent for one year and the person liable for paying the tax has not redeemed the property within six months after the end of the one-year period.

First sponsor: Rep. Griffin (R - Dist 14)

H2331 Daily History	Date	Action
PROPERTY TAX; MOBILE HOMES; DELINQUENCY	1/21	referred to House ways-means.

H2376: CLASS 2 PROPERTY; GUEST RANCHES

The list of property classified as class 2 property for property tax purposes is expanded to include real property, improvements to property, and personal property of a "guest ranch" (defined). As a condition for class 2 property tax valuation, the owner of a guest ranch is required to record a deed restriction with the county recorder that restricts the property to use as a guest ranch for at least ten years. The valuation of a guest ranch as class 2 property constitutes a covenant between the county assessor and the owner of the guest ranch that the use of the property will remain unchanged for the duration of the deed restriction. If the property is converted to a different use in violation of the covenant, the county assessor is required to add to the tax levied against the property on the next tax roll a penalty equal to the difference between the total amount of property taxes that would have been levied on the property for the preceding ten years or the period of time the property was valued as class 2 property, whichever period is shorter, if the property had not been valued as class 2 property and the property taxes that were actually paid for the same period. The penalty must be paid before completion of the next property tax roll and is enforceable and subject to the same penalties and interest as if the penalty were a tax levied against the property.

First sponsor: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13)
Others: Rep. Barton (R - Dist 6), Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22), Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Rep. Hoffman (R - Dist 12), Sen. Kerr (R - Dist 13), Rep. Pratt (R - Dist 8), Rep. Toma (R - Dist 22)

H2376 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2391: COUNTY PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION; WORKSHEET

Within seven days after adopting the property tax rates and levies, the county board of supervisors is required to compile and make available to the public the adopted property tax rates, levies and valuations for all taxing jurisdictions in the county on a worksheet prescribed by the Department of Revenue.

First sponsor: Rep. Kaiser (R - Dist 15)
Others: Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20)

H2391 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1108: TAX OMNIBUS

Various changes to statutes relating to taxes. The list of additions to Arizona gross income for the purpose of computing Arizona adjusted gross income for individual and corporate income tax purposes is modified to remove the amount of any depreciation allowed by specified federal code. The list of subtractions from Arizona gross income for the purpose of computing Arizona adjusted gross income for income tax purposes is modified to include 50 percent of the net long-term capital gain included in federal adjusted gross income for the tax year that is derived from an investment in an asset acquired after December 31, 2020. Increases the dependent tax credit to \$120 for each dependent who is under 17 years of age, from \$100, and to \$30 for each dependent who is at least 17 years of age, from \$25. Lowers the state equalization assistance property tax rate to \$0.3520 in tax year 2021, \$0.2776 in tax year 2022, and an unspecified amount (blank in original) in tax year 2023, from \$0.4426 in tax year 2020. Lowers the tax rate for class one property taxes to 17.5 percent for tax year 2022 and 17 percent for tax years beginning with 2023, from 18 percent in 2021. The maximum additional tax rate that a county fire district board may levy is increased to \$3.375 per \$100 of assessed valuation for tax year 2022 and \$3.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation for tax year 2023 and each tax year after, from \$3.25 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Retroactive to July 1, 2021, establishes a tax on vehicles propelled only by electricity, natural gas or propane of \$110 per year, and a tax on hybrid vehicles of \$44 per year. Income tax revisions are retroactive to tax years beginning January 1, 2021.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

S1108 Daily History	Date	Action
TAX OMNIBUS 1/20 referred to Senate fin.		

S1111: CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; VALUATION; PIPELINES

The "base value" (defined), which is part of the calculation for determining property taxes on pipeline property, is required to be adjusted if one of a list of specified circumstances applies, including a final ruling by a court of competent jurisdiction in Arizona that the full cash value of a pipeline in Arizona is more than the market value using standard appraisal methods, and specified agreements between a pipeline company and the Department of Revenue to adjust the base value as a result of a pending tax appeal or to correct an error in the calculation of full cash value of the system plant in service. Retroactive to tax years beginning with 2016.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

S1111 Daily History	Date	Action
CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; VALUATION; PIPELINES 1/20 referred to Senate fin.		

S1260: PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS; STATUTORY CONFORMITY

Exempts the property of veterans with service or nonservice connected disabilities who are Arizona residents from taxation, with an allowed exemption amount of \$4,047 multiplied by the percentage of the veteran's disability, as rated by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, if the person's total assessment does not exceed \$27,498. The exemption limit for property of widows, widowers and persons with total and permanent disabilities is increased to \$4,047, from \$3,000, if the person's total assessment does not exceed \$27,498, increased from \$20,000. Also makes various changes to property tax statutes in order to conform to proposed changes to property tax exemptions contained in the state Constitution. Conditionally enacted on the state Constitution being amended by a vote of the people at the next general election by the passage of an unspecified Senate Concurrent Resolution (blank in original) to consolidate and reorganize provisions relating

to exemptions from property taxation.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

S1260 Daily History	Date	Action
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS; STATUTORY CONFORMITY 1/21 referred to Senate fin.		

S1309: PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION; GASOLINE MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT

The list of property classified as class six property for property tax purposes is expanded to include real and personal property and improvements that are specifically and solely used to manufacture, beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2051, "zero-sulfur gasoline" (defined) from natural gas and that are valued at full cash value. Applies only to the portion of the property that is used specifically for manufacturing, processing and storing zero-sulfur gasoline and liquid petroleum gases made from natural gas feedstock obtained from off-site sources. Retroactive to January 1, 2021.

First sponsor: Sen. Shope (R - Dist 8)

Others: Sen. Borrelli (R - Dist 5), Sen. Contreras (D - Dist 19)

S1309 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1326: PROPERTY TAX; MOBILE HOMES; DELINQUENCY

For a mobile home for which an affidavit of affixture has not been recorded, that is not placed on the real property roll and that is used as the owner's primary residence, the delinquent taxes may be collected only after the tax is delinquent for one year and the person liable for paying the tax has not redeemed the property within six months after the end of the one-year period.

First sponsor: Sen. Gowan (R - Dist 14)

S1326 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

SCR1019: CONSTITUTIONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to consolidate and reorganize provisions relating to exemptions from property taxation. Sections of the state Constitution relating to property tax exemptions are repealed and replaced. Impossible to determine new provisions without a line by line comparison.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

SCR1019 Daily History	Date	Action
CONSTITUTIONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS 1/21 referred to Senate fin.		

State & Local Elections

Posted Calendars and Committee Hearings

H2181:	WRITE-INS; RESIDENCY; FILING DEADLINE <i>Hearing:</i> House Government & Elections (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 1)
H2361:	WRITE-INS; EARLY BALLOTS; PROCESSING <i>Hearing:</i> House Government & Elections (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 1)
H2431:	DOR; BOND ELECTION PAMPHLETS; STORAGE <i>Hearing:</i> House Ways & Means (Wednesday 01/27/21 at 9:00 AM, House Rm. 3)
HCR2001:	INITIATIVES; SINGLE SUBJECT; TITLE <i>Hearing:</i> House Rules (Monday 01/25/21 at 1:00 PM, House Rm. 4)
SCR1001:	STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TERMINATION <i>Hearing:</i> Senate Government (Monday 01/25/21 at 2:00 PM, Senate Rm. 1)
SCR1010:	LEGISLATIVE SPECIAL SESSION; EMERGENCIES <i>Hearing:</i> Senate Government (Monday 01/25/21 at 2:00 PM, Senate Rm. 1)

Bill Summaries

H2181: WRITE-INS; RESIDENCY; FILING DEADLINE

Any person desiring to become a write-in candidate for an elective office in any election is required to be at the time of filing a qualified elector of the county, city, town or district the person proposes to represent and must have been a resident of that county, city, town or district for 120 days before the date of the election. The deadline for filing a nomination paper to be a write-in candidate is moved to 5PM on the 76th day before the election, from 5PM on the 40th day before the election.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2181 Daily History	Date	Action
WRITE-INS; RESIDENCY; FILING DEADLINE	1/20	referred to House gov-elect.

H2308: RECALL PETITIONS AND ELECTIONS; REVISIONS

Various changes to statutes relating to recall petitions and elections. Establishes a standard form for recall petitions. Requires the validity of signatures on each sheet to be sworn to by the circulator before a notary public on a specified form on the back of the sheet. The Secretary of State is required to make available a sample recall petition that strictly complies with the standard form. All nonresident circulators and paid circulators are required to register as circulators with the Secretary of State before circulating recall petitions, and any signatures collected by a circulator who fails to register as required are disqualified. Establishes requirements for circulator registration. If a registered circulator is properly served with a subpoena to provide evidence in an action regarding circulation of petitions and fails to appear or produce documents as provided for in the subpoena, all signatures collected by that circulator are deemed invalid. Any person may challenge the lawful registration of circulators in the superior court of the county in which the circulator is registered, and deadlines for challenges are specified. Establishes a process for a person who has signed a recall petition to withdraw the person's signature. Specifies that various unlawful acts relating to recall petitions are a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor. Establishes a list of acts that constitute recall petition signature fraud and classifies recall petition signature fraud as a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor, except that a person who engages or participates in a "pattern of recall petition fraud" (defined) is guilty of a class 4 (lower mid-level) felony. Establishes a process for verification of recall petition signatures. More.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2308 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2358: VOTER REGISTRATION UPDATE; ADDRESS CHANGE

By May 1 of each year or more frequently, the county recorder of each county is required to use the national change of address system of the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) to identify registered voters whose addresses may have changed, and update the voter registration records as needed. Previously, the county recorder was authorized to use change of address information supplied by the USPS by May 1 of each year preceding a state primary and general election. If a registered voter has changed residence to a new county, the county recorder is required to cancel the registration in the previous county of residence, and is no longer required to provide information on how the registrant can continue to be eligible to vote.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)
Others: Sen. Barto (R - Dist 15), Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20), Rep. Chaplik (R - Dist 23), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14)

H2358 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2361: WRITE-INS; EARLY BALLOTS; PROCESSING

The deadline for filing a nomination paper to be a write-in candidate is moved to 5PM on the 76th day before the election, from 5PM on the 40th day before the election. Tallying of early ballots is permitted to begin immediately after the envelope and completed affidavit are processed and delivered to the early election board, and the prohibition on early ballots being tallied any early than 14 days before election day is deleted.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)
Others: Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14)

H2361 Daily History	Date	Action
WRITE-INS; EARLY BALLOTS; PROCESSING 1/21 referred to House gov-elect.		

H2362: ELECTIONS; BALLOT PRIVACY FOLDERS

The poll worker serving as judge is required to give each voter a ballot privacy folder in addition to the ballot.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)
Others: Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Rep. Griffin (R - Dist 14), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14)

H2362 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2364: ELECTION PAMPHLET SUBMITTALS; IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED

Arguments in favor of or against a ballot measure, which are printed in the informational pamphlet, must contain a sworn, notarized statement of the person submitting it. If the argument is submitted by an organization, it must contain the sworn statement of two executive officers of the organization. The names of persons and entities submitting written arguments is required to be included in the informational pamphlet. Persons signing the argument must identify themselves by giving their residence address and telephone number, which cannot appear in the pamphlet. Any argument submitted that does not comply with these requirements cannot be included in the pamphlet.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

Others: Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20), Rep. Chaplik (R - Dist 23), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14)

H2364 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2370: PERMANENT EARLY VOTING LIST; REPEAL

Repeals the permanent early voting list.

First sponsor: Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

Others: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6)

H2370 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2371: HAND COUNTING; VOTING CENTERS; TOTAL

For a county that uses voting centers, at least two percent of the total number of ballots cast in the county must be randomly selected for a hand count after each election, from a pool consisting of at least two percent of the voting centers or two voting centers, whichever is greater. Voting centers are deemed to be a precinct for the purposes of the hand counts.

First sponsor: Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

Others: Rep. Pingerelli (R - Dist 21)

H2371 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2373: VOTER REGISTRATION GROUPS; FORMS; IDENTIFIERS

Any person who requests or receives ten or more voter registration forms from the county recorder is required to place that person's unique identifier on each voter registration form distributed or collected by that person.

First sponsor: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13)

H2373 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2431: DOR; BOND ELECTION PAMPHLETS; STORAGE

The governing body of a political subdivision is no longer required to submit a copy of the informational pamphlet for a bond election to the Department of Revenue (DOR) within 30 days after the bond election. DOR is no longer required to maintain copies of the pamphlets.

First sponsor: Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20)
Others: Rep. Toma (R - Dist 22)

H2431 Daily History	Date	Action
DOR; BOND ELECTION PAMPHLETS; STORAGE 1/21 referred to House ways-means.		

H2560: REMOVAL; PERMANENT EARLY VOTING LIST

A county recorder is required to remove a voter from the permanent early voting list if the voter fails to vote using an early ballot in a general election for which there was a federal race on the ballot.

First sponsor: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13)
Others: Rep. Osborne (R - Dist 13)

H2560 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2569: ELECTIONS; PRIVATE FUNDING; PROHIBITION

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Hoffman (R - Dist 12)
Others: Sen. Barto (R - Dist 15), Rep. Barton (R - Dist 6), Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5), Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6), Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20), Sen. Borrelli (R - Dist 5), Rep. Bowers (R - Dist 25), Rep. Burges (R - Dist 1), Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22), Rep. Chaplik (R - Dist 23), Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13), Rep. Fillmore (R - Dist 16), Rep. Finchem (R - Dist 11), Rep. Grantham (R - Dist 12), Rep. Griffin (R - Dist 14), Rep. John (R - Dist 4), Rep. Kaiser (R - Dist 15), Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23), Sen. Kerr (R - Dist 13), Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22), Rep. Nguyen (R - Dist 1), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14), Rep. Osborne (R - Dist 13), Rep. Parker (R - Dist 16), Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21), Sen. Petersen (R - Dist 12), Rep. Pingerelli (R - Dist 21), Rep. Pratt (R - Dist 8), Rep. Roberts (R - Dist 11), Sen. Rogers (R - Dist 6), Rep. Toma (R - Dist 22), Sen. Townsend (R - Dist 16), Rep. Weninger (R - Dist 17), Rep. Wilmeth (R - Dist 15)

H2569 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

H2616: ELECTION DATA; LEGISLATIVE REVIEW AUTHORITY

Summary to come

First sponsor: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5)

H2616 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

HCR2001: INITIATIVES; SINGLE SUBJECT; TITLE

The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require every initiative measure to cover only a single subject that is expressed in the title.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

HCR2001 Daily History	Date	Action
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INITIATIVES; SINGLE SUBJECT; TITLE 1/20 from House gov-elect do pass.
INITIATIVES; SINGLE SUBJECT; TITLE 1/20 House gov-elect do pass; report awaited.
INITIATIVES; SINGLE SUBJECT; TITLE 1/12 referred to House gov-elect.

HCR2016: INITIATIVES; SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIREMENT

The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require approval by 60 percent of the votes cast on the measure for an initiative or referendum measure to become law, instead of a majority of the votes cast.

First sponsor: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13)
Others: Rep. Barton (R - Dist 6), Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Rep. Grantham (R - Dist 12), Rep. Hoffman (R - Dist 12), Sen. Kerr (R - Dist 13), Rep. Nutt (R - Dist 14), Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21), Rep. Roberts (R - Dist 11)

HCR2016 Daily History	Date	Action
No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.		

S1002: EARLY VOTING ENVELOPES; PARTY AFFILIATION

Early ballot return envelopes are required to be of a type that does not reveal the voter's political party affiliation.

First sponsor: Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R - Dist 23)

S1002 Daily History	Date	Action
EARLY VOTING ENVELOPES; PARTY AFFILIATION 1/11 referred to Senate gov.		

S1003: EARLY VOTING; SIGNATURE REQUIRED; NOTICE

If a signature is missing from an early ballot envelope, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to make reasonable efforts to contact the voter, advise the voter of the missing signature and allow the voter to add the signature no later than 7:00 PM on election day. The information that must be printed in the instructions to early voters must include a statement that the ballot will not be counted without the voter's signature on the envelope. Session law states that the Legislature intends that these are clarifying changes only and do not provide for any substantive change in the law.

First sponsor: Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R - Dist 23)

S1003 Daily History	Date	Action
EARLY VOTING; SIGNATURE REQUIRED; NOTICE 1/11 referred to Senate gov.		

S1010: RECOUNT REQUESTS; AMOUNT; BOND; PROCEDURE

The number of precincts in each county that must be randomly selected for a hand count after each election is increased to five percent of the precincts in the county or five precincts, whichever is greater, from two percent or two precincts. Voting centers are deemed to be a precinct for the purposes of the hand counts. The Attorney General, the Secretary of State, or the Legislative Council is authorized to require that a higher percentage or greater number of precincts be hand counted for any specified county. Any person is authorized to file an action for a recount in any election that is not subject to an automatic recount if the person files a bond with the superior court in an amount determined by the court to be sufficient to fully reimburse the costs of conducting the recount. Recounts conducted by request are required to comply with the requirements and procedures of an automatic recount prescribed by statute.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

S1010 Daily History	Date	Action
RECOUNT REQUESTS; AMOUNT; BOND; PROCEDURE	1/21	Senate gov amended; report awaited.
RECOUNT REQUESTS; AMOUNT; BOND; PROCEDURE	1/11	referred to Senate gov.

S1020: VOTING LOCATIONS; ELECTIONEERING

Any facility used as a polling place or voting center is required to allow persons to electioneer and engage in other political activity outside of the 75 foot limit in public areas and parking lots used by voters, and counties are no longer allowed to prohibit political activity near polling places or voting centers in the case of an emergency.

First sponsor: Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R - Dist 23)

S1020 Daily History	Date	Action
VOTING LOCATIONS; ELECTIONEERING	1/11	referred to Senate gov.

S1068: ELECTIONS MANUAL; LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; GRRC

The official election instructions and procedures manual prepared by the Secretary of State is required to be approved by the Legislative Council and the Governor's Regulatory Review Council, instead of the Governor and the Attorney General.

First sponsor: Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R - Dist 23)

S1068 Daily History	Date	Action
ELECTIONS MANUAL; LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; GRRC	1/11	referred to Senate gov.

S1083: ELECTIONS; RECOUNT MARGIN

Modifies the criteria that triggers an automatic election recount to require a recount when the margin between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for a particular office, or between the number of votes cast for and against a measure or proposition, is less than or equal to 0.5 percent of the number of votes cast for both candidates or on the measure or proposition. Previously, the difference in votes that triggered an automatic recount was the lesser of 0.1 percent or either a specified number of votes based on the office to be filled or 200 votes for a measure or proposition.

First sponsor: Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R - Dist 23)

S1083 Daily History	Date	Action
ELECTIONS; RECOUNT MARGIN	1/20	referred to Senate gov.

S1105: BALLOT MEASURES; 200-WORD DESCRIPTION

The description of an initiative or referendum measure that is printed on the petition circulated to the voters may be up to 200 words, increased from 100 words.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

S1105 Daily History	Date	Action
BALLOT MEASURES; 200-WORD DESCRIPTION	1/20	referred to Senate gov.

S1240: HAND COUNTS; PRECINCTS; PROCEDURES MANUAL

For a county that uses voting centers, the ballots from each voting center are required to be separated by precinct before the random selection of precincts for a hand count occurs, and every ballot from a precinct must be grouped with the other ballots from that precinct. A voting center cannot be deemed a precinct for purposes of randomly selecting precincts for a hand count from a pool of precincts. States that if a provision in the elections instructions and procedures manual conflicts with state statute, the state statute prevails.

First sponsor: Sen. Townsend (R - Dist 16)

S1240 Daily History	Date	Action
HAND COUNTS; PRECINCTS; PROCEDURES MANUAL	1/21	referred to Senate gov.

S1241: VOTING EQUIPMENT; BALLOTS; RECEIPT

Electronic voting systems are required to provide a paper receipt to the voter at the time the voter's ballot is received for tabulation. The paper receipt is required to state whether the voter's ballot was tabulated or rejected and, if rejected, the reason for the rejection. Does not apply to a voter who votes with an early or provisional ballot.

First sponsor: Sen. Townsend (R - Dist 16)

S1241 Daily History	Date	Action
VOTING EQUIPMENT; BALLOTS; RECEIPT	1/21	referred to Senate gov.

S1242: ELECTION EQUIPMENT; SECURITY; LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

Beginning in 2021 and every two years thereafter, the committee appointed by the Secretary of State to investigate and test the various types of vote recording or tabulating machines or devices is required to provide for a detailed review of election equipment security for counties with a population of more than 500,000 persons that focuses on the actual equipment, software and other systems used in the most recent general election. An additional person who is an expert in election equipment security must assist with the review. On completion, the review must be presented to the standing committees of the Legislature with jurisdiction over election issues at a public meeting that is held by August 1 following the general election.

First sponsor: Sen. Townsend (R - Dist 16)

S1242 Daily History	Date	Action
ELECTION EQUIPMENT; SECURITY; LEGISLATIVE REVIEW	1/21	referred to Senate gov.

SCR1001: STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TERMINATION

The Legislature declares that the Declaration of Emergency issued by the Governor on March 11, 2020 due to the COVID-19 outbreak is terminated. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor.

First sponsor: Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R - Dist 23)

SCR1001 Daily History	Date	Action
STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TERMINATION	1/11	referred to Senate gov, appro.

SCR1010: LEGISLATIVE SPECIAL SESSION; EMERGENCIES

The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require the Governor, when declaring a state of emergency, to call a special session of the Legislature to address matters relating to the state of emergency. The call to special session must be issued at the same time the Governor declares the state of emergency, and the special session must be held for the duration of the state of emergency.

First sponsor: Sen. Townsend (R - Dist 16)
Others: Sen. Borrelli (R - Dist 5), Sen. Rogers (R - Dist 6)

SCR1010 Daily History	Date	Action
LEGISLATIVE SPECIAL SESSION; EMERGENCIES	1/14	referred to Senate gov.

SCR1019: CONSTITUTIONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to consolidate and reorganize provisions relating to exemptions from property taxation. Sections of the state Constitution relating to property tax exemptions are repealed and replaced. Impossible to determine new provisions without a line by line comparison.

First sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R - Dist 17)

SCR1019 Daily History	Date	Action
CONSTITUTIONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS	1/21	referred to Senate fin.