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COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA

January 20, 2012

Teleconference 1-866-228-9900

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9:00 a.m. Call to Order ~ *Immediate Past President David Tenney*

- A) Overview of Legislative Policy Committee
- B) Governor's Budget Recommendation Report / JLBC Baseline Budget
 - 1) [HB 2338](#) Prisoner Transfer; Department of Corrections (*Jones/McLean*)
- C) Legislative Bills for Discussion and Possible Consideration
 - 1) [HB 2283](#): state employee benefits; definition (*Reeve*)
 - 2) [HB 2316](#): animals; euthanasia; licensed veterinarians (*D Smith*)
 - 3) [HB 2621](#): local government budgets; posting; contents (*Lesko*)
 - 4) [SB 1064](#): municipalities; local liberty charter (*Klein*)
 - 5) [SB 1082](#): alcoholism & substance abuse control (*Allen*)
- D) AACo Agenda Bills
 - 1) [HB 2048](#): county officers (*Burges*)
 - 2) [HB 2122](#): powers; boards of supervisors (*Burges*)
- E) Update of CSA-sponsored Bills
 - 1) [HB 2360](#): flood control districts; immunity (*Fann*)
 - 2) [HB 2361](#): consumer fireworks; regulation (*Fann*)
 - 3) [HB 2389](#): lease of county property; requirements (*Pratt*)
 - 4) [HB 2495](#): counties; purchases; local dealers (*Jones*)
 - 5) [HB 2530](#): incarceration costs; municipal court warrants (*Ash*)
 - 6) Remaining Bills to be Dropped
 - Folder #713 flood control districts; construction bids (*Nelson*)
 - Folder #868 county highway designation; county engineers (*Griffin*)
 - Folder #869 sex offenders; county reimbursement (*Griffin*)
 - Folder #902 public defenders; park rangers; assault; felony classification (*Gould*)
 - Folder #1141 road enhancement district; governance (*Burgess*)
 - Folder #1142 flood control authority; relinquishments; districts (*Pratt*)
- F) Other Business
- G) Next Meeting Date and Time (*Friday, February 3, at 9:00 a.m.*)
- H) Adjourn



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Legislative Policy Committee
Membership

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Apache County	~ Tom White	Jim Claw
Cochise County	~ Pat Call	Ann English
Coconino County	~ Liz Archuleta	Liz Archuleta
Gila County	~ Tommie Martin	Tommie Martin
Graham County	~ Jim Palmer	Jim Palmer
Greenlee County	~ Richard Lunt	Richard Lunt
La Paz County	~ John Drum	John Drum
Maricopa County	~ Andrew Kunasek	Andrew Kunasek
Mohave County	~ Gary Watson	Tom Sockwell
Navajo County	~ David Tenney	David Tenney
Pima County	~ Sharon Bronson	Sharon Bronson
Pinal County	~ Pete Rios	Pete Rios
Santa Cruz County	~ Manny Ruiz	Manny Ruiz
Yavapai County	~ Carol Springer	Carol Springer
Yuma County	~ Lenore Stuart	Lenore Stuart



Legislative Policy Committee ◇ Overview ◇

Purpose: Under CSA by-laws (Article 11), the LPC implements the legislative program adopted by the Board.

Membership: Fifteen members—the six CSA Executive Committee officers and one representative from each county not represented by an officer. Meetings are open to all CSA members.

Voting Policy: Two-thirds of the entire LPC may adopt a position on behalf of CSA regarding any issue before the state legislature or U.S. Congress that is not addressed in the Board’s legislative program.

Meetings: The LPC meets as often as necessary during regular and special sessions of the legislature. During the regular session, meetings are scheduled at least once per month, although the LPC meets frequently when evolving issues demand rapid response or sustained attention. Telephonic participation is permitted.

Activities: The LPC is critical to the success of CSA’s coalition strategy. Supervisors bring the credibility and influence necessary to inform state legislators of the needs of local constituencies. Accordingly, participants in the LPC will be engaged in the following activities:

- Review legislation and make recommendations to the Board
- Direct lobbying of state and federal leaders
- “Speakers Bureau” participation, helping to communicate the coalition’s message points to local audiences
- Authoring Op-Ed pieces
- Testifying before committees
- Serving as a catalyst to involve board colleagues in CSA legislative activities

CSA will provide staff support regarding these activities.

Executive Budget and the JLBC Baseline Recommendations Impacts to Counties

Governor Brewer released the details of her FY12-13 budget recommendation last Friday. The key principles guiding the development of the Governor's budget include the need to evaluate short term decisions in light of their impact on the state's long term fiscal health. The Governor further stated that funding for a program will not be restored simply because it was provided in the past.

The JLBC also released their "baseline" budget last Friday. Though not a proposal, the baseline is an important summary for revenue estimates and statutory funding, and serves as an important foundational document for legislative budget discussions.

An initial review of the Governor's plan and the JLBC baseline identified the following county-related items:

- **Prison shift:** the Governor recommends the repeal of the triggered shift. The JLBC acknowledges the shift is in statute but does not identify a budget amount and indicates it is waiting for information from Corrections and the counties.
- **Mandated county transfers:** The Governor recommends eliminating the transfer going forward. The JLBC did not include such a transfer as a baseline revenue.
- **HURF:** Both the Governor and JLBC continue the transfers from HURF to MVD and DPS. The magnitude does not appear to have increased.
 - The \$4,090,000 10 smallest counties hold harmless for the MVD shift is contained in the JLBC baseline.
 - Also, the Governor's plan includes a proposal to remove the statutory cap of \$10 million to DPS from the HURF. In recent years, the cap has been suspended annually.
- **SVP/RTC:** Both the Governor and JLBC continue the county payments for 100% of RTC patients and 50% of SVP's housed at the Arizona State Hospital.
- **County Attorneys Fund:** Both the Governor and JLBC continue to provide \$973.6 million of ACJC grant monies.
- **Indigent Defense Fund:** As permanent law, the Governor continues to divert the State Indigent Defense Fund to the GIITEM Fund Border Security and Law Enforcement Subaccount. The JLBC also shifts the fund to GIITEM.
- **Suspension of County Non-Supplanting Funding Requirements:** As session law, the JLBC baseline continues to suspend county non-supplanting requirements associated with funding for probation services, criminal case processing, and alternative dispute resolution programs and require the counties to report on reductions in county funding as a result of the elimination of the non-supplanting provisions.
- **Grand Jury and Attorney Reimbursement:** The JLBC baseline continues to suspend the requirement that the Supreme Court reimburse counties 50% of the costs of grand juries and state funded counsel assigned to first-time capital post-conviction relief proceedings.
- **Law Enforcement Boating Safety Fund (LEBSF):** The Governor recommends restoring use of the watercraft license tax to provide \$1.8 million to counties. The JLBC baseline provides \$2,183,800.
- **Justice of the Peace salaries:** The Governor and the JLBC maintain the 80.75% county share.
- **County Attorney Immigration Enforcement:** The Governor and the JLBC maintain \$1,213,200 for county attorney immigration enforcement. The JLBC specifies that \$200,000 is to be distributed to the Maricopa County Attorney, and \$500,000 is to be distributed to the Maricopa County Sheriff. The baseline states that subject to prior approval of JLBC, remaining monies may be distributed to the remaining counties. The funds are not subject to Board approval.

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