

**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**

County Supervisors Association
1905 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona

**MINUTES
March 9, 2012**

Call to Order: David Tenney 9:02 a.m.

Present in Person:
David Tenney Navajo County

Present Telephonically:

Jim Claw	Apache County
Ann English	Cochise County
Liz Archuleta	Coconino County
Shirley Dawson	Gila County
Jim Palmer	Graham County
Richard Lunt	Greenlee County
Tom Sockwell	Mohave County
Pete Rios	Pinal County
Manny Ruiz	Santa Cruz County
Carol Springer	Yavapai County
Lenore Stuart	Yuma County

Absent: John Drum (La Paz), Andy Kunasek (Maricopa), Sharon Bronson (Pima)

Proxies: Andy Kunasek (Maricopa)

Others present telephonically: Mike Pastor, Mark Herrington, Gary Watson, Buster Johnson, Mike Ortega, Hunter Moore, Robert Pickels, Heather Bernacki

Others present in person: Rick Bohan, Mark Barnes, Sabrina Vasquez, Laura Tessier, Craig Sullivan, Penny Adams, Todd Madeksza, Kristin Cipolla, Yvonne Ortega

Penny Adams called roll and a quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes

Supervisor Lenore Stuart moved to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2012, and March 2, 2012, Legislative Policy Committee meetings. Supervisor Richard Lunt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Budget Negotiations Update

Craig Sullivan reported there is no budget agreement imminent, but negotiations are in progress between the House, Senate, and Governor's office. CSA is focusing on making sure the counties' priorities are included in the budget. CSA is working on getting into the budget the flexibility language counties have had in prior years. It is currently attached in the House and Senate budget to the Restoration to Competency payments and payments

for Sexually Violent Prisoners, but CSA is working on including the more advanced flexibility language achieved two years ago in special session law.

Legislative Bills for Discussion and Possible Consideration

- 1) Regulatory Reform. Todd Madeksza reported on the regulatory reform legislation.
 - A) [HB 2570](#): political subdivisions; proceedings; governing bodies.
 - B) [HB 2815](#): employment; incentives; regulatory tax credit.
 - C) [HB 2827](#): administrative procedures; counties; districts.
 - D) [SB 1351](#): flood control districts; mining activities.
 - E) [SB 1433](#): cities; towns; police functions; revocation.
 - F) [SB 1470](#): rules; data quality.

Supervisor Jim Palmer moved to oppose each of the regulatory reform bills en masse: HB 2570, HB 2815, HB 2827, SB 1351, SB 1433, and SB 1470. Supervisor Richard Lunt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2) [HB 2122](#) powers; board of supervisors. Todd reported this is an AACo bill that CSA supports. After having concerns over an adopted amendment, CSA spoke with the bill sponsor and amendment proponent. CSA will circulate some new language achieved and follow-up with the LPC at the next meeting.

3) [HB 2729](#): state regulation of firearms. Supervisor Liz Archuleta moved to oppose HB 2729. Supervisor Lenore Stuart seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

4) [SB 1302](#): S/E FCD; counties; private property. Supervisor Ann English moved to oppose the strike-everything amendment on SB 1302. Supervisor Manny Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Update of CSA-sponsored Bills

Todd provided an update on CSA's statutory agenda bills.

- 1) [HB 2338](#): prisoner transfer; dept of corrections.
- 2) [HB 2360](#): flood control districts; immunity.
- 3) [HB 2361](#): consumer fireworks; regulation.
- 4) [HB 2389](#): lease of county property; requirements.
- 5) [HB 2495](#): counties; purchases; local dealers. It was pulled from the Senate consent calendar.
- 6) [HB 2651](#): road enhancement improvement districts.
- 7) [HB 2658](#): flood control authority; relinquishment; districts.
- 8) [SB 1282](#): county highway designation; county engineers. Todd explained an unfavorable amendment on the bill. Supervisor Manny Ruiz moved to oppose SB 1282 and a similar strike-everything bill, SB 1040. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 9) [SB 1295](#): flood control districts; construction bids.
- 10) [SB 1409](#): assault; public defenders; county ranger.

Other Business

Todd reported that the Governor's office is looking at a comprehensive fireworks policy across the state of Arizona for political subdivisions.

Craig reported that HB 2656 county bonding; regional committee passed the House and should be heard in Senate Finance committee next week. He will convey county concerns to legislative staff and bring the issue back next week.

Craig commented on an action alert by Joanne Keene CSA forwarded to counties regarding the federal surface transportation bill amended to include a one-year extension for secure rural schools and PILT. The bill is expected to go to the Senate next week.

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next LPC meeting is scheduled for next Thursday, March 15, at 10:00 a.m. within the CSA Board of Directors meeting; then, the following meeting will be on Friday, March 23, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m.