

**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**

(Teleconference Made Available)

County Supervisors Association
1905 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona

MINUTES

April 26, 2013

Call to Order: Lenore Stuart 9:00 a.m.
Present in Person: David Tenney Navajo County
Present Telephonically:
Barry Weller Apache County
Tommie Martin Gila County
Jim Palmer Graham County
Gary Watson Mohave County
Pete Rios Pinal County
Lenore Stuart Yuma County

Absent: Ann English (Cochise), Mandy Metzger (Coconino), David Gomez (Greenlee), Holly Irwin (La Paz), Steve Chucri (Maricopa), Sharon Bronson (Pima), Manny Ruiz (Santa Cruz), Tom Thurman (Yavapai)

Others present telephonically: John Marcanti, Buster Johnson, Russ Clark, Laura Magnus, Heather Murphy, Ana Wayman-Trujillo

Others present in person: Rick Bohan, Hunter Moore, Katie Prendergast, Craig Sullivan, Penny Adams, Todd Madeksza, Kristin Cipolla, Dan Bogert, Yvonne Ortega

Penny Adams called roll and a quorum was not present.

State Budget Update

Craig Sullivan noted that this week held the 100th day of session. He stated that through agreement by the Senate President and Speaker of the House initially, and then in subsequent weeks by a vote of the membership, the session will be extended on a weekly basis. He said that one point to note is that on the 120th day of session per diem for legislators will be cut substantially. Craig reported that no agreement has been reached on the budget; and President Biggs had indicated he had no intention of putting the Governor's proposed Medicaid expansion issue on the floor. Craig stated that the Governor had released a letter to legislative members addressing the four options that are before the legislature and the costs associated with each. CSA will forward a copy of the letter to our membership.

Craig reported that the CSA letter signed by county board chairmen was sent this week to legislative leadership and the Governor with a copy to all legislative members. The letter restates CSA's legislative priorities and urges action on those priorities. CSA will follow-up with legislative members next week.

TPT Proposal

[HB 2657](#) transaction privilege tax changes and [HB 2111](#) S/E transaction privilege tax changes. Craig reported that earlier this week he heard that President Biggs wanted proponents to figure out how they wanted to move forward. However, he noted there is no agreement in discussions related to the prime contracting aspect. CSA continues to stay involved.

Legislative Bills / Issues for Discussion and Possible Consideration

Bills of Interest

[HB 2463](#) NOW: rules; counties; flood control districts. Todd reported this bill has not yet moved in the House. The bill is still alive, but has not yet been put on a calendar for Final Read.

[HB 2551](#) NOW: off-highway vehicles; use; authority; enforcement. Todd reported the bill will go to a conference committee. He noted there was language in a conference committee amendment that

exempted weight requirements for some roads in Apache County. CSA continues to watch it. Supervisor Weller expressed his appreciation for CSA monitoring this bill.

[HB 2572](#) NOW: financial standards; fire districts. Todd reported it was heard in a conference committee this past week.

Update of CSA-sponsored Bills

Todd reviewed the status of CSA's agenda bills.

[HB 2124](#) fire districts reorganization elections. Bill no longer viable.

[HB 2138](#) municipalities; rights-of-way; transfer. Passed the Senate 28-1-1 and has been transmitted to the Governor.

[HB 2175](#) special districts; use fees. Bill no longer viable. It was held in Senate Government and Environment committee.

[SB 1098](#) medical marijuana; zoning authority. Signed by the Governor.

[SB 1284](#) county general excise tax rate. Bill no longer viable. It was held in House Ways and Means committee.

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next LPC meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 3, at 9:00 a.m.

Other Business and Adjournment

Supervisors expressed appreciation for CSA's continued hard work and for holding these weekly meetings providing updates. There being no further business, President Stuart adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.