

COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
AGENDA
April 26, 2013
Teleconference 1-866-228-9900
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County Supervisors Association
1905 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ

9:00 a.m. Call to Order ~ President Lenore Stuart

- A) State Budget Update – Political posturing continues at the legislature with the President of the Senate reiterating his opposition to the Governor’s proposed Medicaid expansion and expressing his opposition to willingly bring the measure to the floor for a vote. There are options that the body can employ to circumvent the President’s position, ranging from a simple discharge petition to an all-out vote to replace the President. Concurrently, Governor Brewer wrote a letter to the legislature that the federal government would no longer subsidize covering the childless adult population, should Arizona not adopt the expansion. In her letter to legislators, Governor Brewer estimated the costs for covering those solely by the state at around \$850 million. The letter is attached with this report for your information.

The Legislature passed the 100th day of session on Wednesday. According to the House and Senate Rules, the legislative session must adjourn sine die, no later than the Saturday following the 100th Day of Session, which is not going to happen. The Speaker and the President may authorize the extension of the legislative session for an additional seven days after that point, which they authorized on the floor of both chambers on Thursday. After the seven days are up, each extension must be approved by a majority vote of both chambers.

Legislators earn a \$24,000 salary annually and they also receive per diem for expenses such as food and lodging. For legislators in Maricopa County they are paid \$35 a day in per diem expenses for the first 120 days of regular and special sessions, then \$10 a day thereafter. Members who reside outside Maricopa County receive an additional \$60 a day for the first 120 days of session and then only \$20 a day thereafter. This reduction in per diem after the 120th day of session could incent some to reach a conclusion to session sooner, rather than later.

- B) TPT Proposal
1. [HB 2657](#) transaction privilege tax changes (Lesko)
 2. [HB 2111](#) S/E transaction privilege tax changes (Lesko) – Negotiations continue with the sticking point continuing to be the inclusion of the Prime Contractor provision. Conflicting reports as to whether or not proponents will push ahead with the provision remaining in the measure or not.
- C) Legislative Bills / Issues for Discussion and Possible Consideration
1. [HB 2463](#) NOW: rules; counties; flood control districts (Gowan) – Regulatory Reform measure that remains available for a Final Read vote but did not advance this past week.
 2. [HB 2551](#) NOW: off-highway vehicles; use; authority; enforcement (Gowan) – a scheduled conference committee was cancelled this week and was rescheduled for Tuesday of next week. The measure increases weight of trucks up to about 80,000 pounds on certain state roads.
 3. [HB 2572](#) NOW: financial standards; fire districts (Coleman) – the measure was amended in conference committee and establishes protocol for Fire Districts to report financial status to counties’ Boards as directed in statute.

D) Update of CSA-sponsored Bills

1. [HB 2124](#) fire districts reorganization elections (Ugenti) – No longer active
2. [HB 2138](#) municipalities; rights-of-way; transfer (Pratt) – Transmitted to the Governor
3. [HB 2175](#) special districts; use fees (Fann) – No longer active
4. [SB 1098](#) medical marijuana; zoning authority (Pierce) – Laws 2013, Ch 101
5. [SB 1284](#) county general excise tax rate (Crandell) – No longer active

E) Other Business

F) Next Meeting Date and Time (Friday, May 3, at 9:00 a.m.)

G) Adjourn

Best Regards,

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