



**COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**

(Teleconference Made Available)

County Supervisors Association

1905 West Washington

Phoenix, Arizona

MINUTES

April 1, 2016

Call to Order:	Mandy Metzger	9:00 a.m.
Present Telephonically/Webinar:		
	Ann English	Cochise County
	Mandy Metzger	Coconino County
	Tommie Martin	Gila County
	Jim Palmer	Graham County
	David Gomez	Greenlee County
	D. L. Wilson	La Paz County
	Gary Watson	Mohave County
	Cheryl Chase	Pinal County
	Rudy Molera	Santa Cruz County
	Tom Thurman	Yavapai County
	Russell McCloud	Yuma County
Absent:		
	Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.	Apache County
	Clint Hickman	Maricopa County
	Jason Whiting	Navajo County
	Ray Carroll	Pima County
Proxy:	Jason Whiting	Navajo County

Others present telephonically: Mike Pastor, John Marcanti, Delwin Wengert, Terry Cooper, Jennifer St. John, Marlyn Summers

Others present in person: Rick Bohan, Craig Sullivan, Penny Adams, Dan Bogert, Daniel Romm, Kristin Cipolla, Yvonne Ortega, Elise Kulik

With permission from President Metzger, the Budget Update agenda item would be delayed to when Craig Sullivan returned to the meeting. Penny Adams called roll and a quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes

Supervisor Ann English moved to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2016, Legislative Policy Committee meeting. Supervisor Rudy Molera seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Bills for Discussion

Courts & Criminal Justice

1) [HB 2300 firearms; prohibited governmental activities](#). Kristin Cipolla reported on the bill and advised that the Arizona Association of Counties and the Sheriffs Association opposed this bill. Discussion occurred. Supervisor Ann English moved to oppose HB 2300. President Mandy Metzger advised that without a second, the motion would not be considered, but that CSA will continue to monitor this bill and bring it back to the LPC, if necessary.

Taxes

1) [HB 2403 tax lien deeds; aggregate fees](#). Dan Bogert commented that the LPC had authorized CSA earlier in the session to engage in the stakeholder process for this bill. CSA has done that and Dan reported on the bill. CSA will continue to actively engage in the process of this bill.

- 2) [HB 2614 cooperative associations](#). Dan Bogert reported on the bill and advised that CSA has been in communication with legislative staff and the Arizona Department of Revenue regarding the implications of this bill. CSA will continue to monitor the bill.

Budget Update

Craig Sullivan reported that earlier this week the Senate convened small group meetings regarding the basics of the budget. The House did similarly yesterday. Craig noted that the basics include discussions on revenue and expenditures and agency resolves, but there are still significant gaps in the budget, particularly on the one-time money the state has. The state is trying to be cautious on anything that would represent ongoing expenditures.

Craig reported that the transportation dialogue appears to be for a one-time appropriation basis. There is a difference of opinion with the Senate appropriation proposed at \$96 million and the House proposed at \$30 million. CSA continues to advise legislators that the HURF money is important and it helps with county road maintenance, but there is also a need for general fund relief, which would include the Lottery monies. Craig noted that the PPE monies are still in the budget discussions.

Craig stated that budget negotiations may start rolling quickly and a deal could be expected within the next few weeks. He requested counties target legislators and thank them for their efforts on restoring HURF, but to notify them that general fund relief is important. CSA will provide e-mail messages to the counties to use in their contact with key legislative members. CSA will continue to communicate with lawmakers. President Metzger requested CSA continue to notify counties on how they can help in the communications.

CSA Legislative Agenda

Craig Sullivan reported that the CSA team has been very active in moving the CSA Legislative Package through the process. [HB 2021 codes; adoption by reference; copies](#) and [HB 2146 municipalities; property sale threshold; election](#) have both been successful and signed by the Governor. He noted that the Governor's office has signaled that the Governor does not want any more bills sent to his desk until the budget is finalized. Some CSA bills are primed for passage to the Governor's desk, but will most likely be slowed down until after the budget is done.

- 1) [HB 2021 codes; adoption by reference; copies](#)
- 2) [HB 2368 county contributions; hospitalization; medical; repeal](#)
- 3) [HB 2373 regional transportation authority; membership; election](#)
- 4) [HB 2430 county libraries; general fund](#)
- 5) [HB 2512 pension contributions; expenditure limit exemption](#)
- 6) [HB 2541 S/E: primitive campgrounds; exemption; definition](#)
- 7) [HB 2564 appropriation; indigent defense fund](#)
- 8) [SB 1198 public libraries operation; third party contracts](#)
- 9) [SB 1250 intergovernmental public transportation authority; taxation](#)
- 10) [SB 1308 juvenile charged as adult; detention](#)
- 11) [SB 1316 board of trustees; disincorporation; repeal](#); amended onto [HB 2146 municipalities; property sale threshold; election](#)
- 12) Folder # TBD Expenditure Limit Exclusion of RICO Funds

President Metzger thanked CSA staff for keeping the counties updated and informed. She said she appreciated all the counties' participation on these calls throughout the session.

Next Meeting Date and Time

President Metzger advised that the next LPC meeting will be on Friday, April 8, at 9:00 a.m.

Other Business and Adjournment

There being no further business, President Mandy Metzger adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.