

## Legislative Link Update

March 3, 2017

Today is the 54<sup>th</sup> day of session and there have been over 1,150 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced. A number of bills on our tracking list cleared their chamber of origin and are now awaiting committee hearings in the opposite chamber. To date, 163 bills on our tracking list have cleared the House of which 154 have been assigned to a Senate committee. Of those 154 bills, 34 have received a do pass in committee and now await a Rules committee hearing in the Senate. For the Senate, 121 bills on our tracking list have cleared the chamber of which 101 have been assigned to a House committee. Of those 101 bills, 26 have received a do pass in committee and now await a Rules committee hearing in the House.

Below are updates on a few bills we think might be of interest to you:

### **SB 1149 & the Arizona Coyotes**

The Coyotes bill, SB 1149 was approved last week by the Senate Rules committee. The Rules committee is a procedural committee who simply rules whether bills that passed out of committee are in proper form and are constitutional. They do not debate or vote on the merits of the bill. SB 1149 was scheduled to be heard in COW this week, but was later stricken from the calendar and has not been added back on to the calendar.

Glendale is concerned about the public policy implications of using taxpayer funding to build a new arena while taxpayers still owe outstanding debt on the team's current facility. Additionally, a new taxpayer funded arena within the metropolitan area would compete with other existing facilities for concerts, tradeshow and similar events thereby diluting the public's investment in those other facilities as well. Glendale continues to engage with legislators to educate them about this issue.

### **SB 1098 Schools; Statewide Assessment**

SB 1098 requires the State Board of Education to adopt and implement a statewide assessment to measure student achievement as a replacement of the Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) test. SB 1098 advanced through the Senate with a vote of 30-0 and was later amended in the House Education committee. SB 1098 now awaits floor action in the House and then will go back to the Senate for consideration of the House amendment.

### **SB 1401 HOAs; Managers; Duties; Gratuities**

SB 1401 prohibits a condominium association or homeowners' association's employees and independent contractors from soliciting, receiving or accepting any undisclosed fee, compensation, commission or gratuity from any third party that provides or solicits to provide goods or services to the HOA. SB 1401 advanced through the Senate with a vote of 29-1 and has been assigned to the House Local & International Affairs committee.

### **"Your Legislative Link" - New TV Program**

The Glendale Public Affairs Department strives to work collaboratively with our legislative delegation in order to better serve our shared constituents. In an effort to further increase these partnerships and to help keep you informed of legislative issues, we have created a new television show that will air on Glendale Channel 11 called "Your Legislative Link." This 30 minute program will connect you with your legislators, as the interview highlights their background, interests, and legislative priorities, while also addressing current topics that are of interest at the State Capital. "Your Legislative Link" will feature each of your Glendale legislators alphabetically, on a monthly rotation, over the coming months. The second episode, featuring Representative Paul Boyer of District 20, is available on Channel 11 on Cox Cable and Century Link or on Glendale's YouTube channel, [MyGlendale11](#).

This year, our bill tracking list will be available through an online report that can be accessed at the following website. The password is "Glendale". Utilizing a dynamic online report allows our Legislative Link participants to receive the most up to date information on bill status and committee hearing schedules at any time.

<http://www.azcapitolreports.com/webreport.cfm?webreport=25823&listid=61088&print=true>

Thank you again for your participation in Glendale's Legislative Link Program.

Remember, you can watch committee hearings via the internet by going to the [legislature's website](#) and clicking on the live proceedings hyperlink located in the column on the left side of the page.

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Arizona State Legislature Website: [www.azleg.gov](http://www.azleg.gov).

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To determine who your state legislators are, [click here](#).

You can also visit the Intergovernmental Programs Department's webpage for additional information by [clicking here](#).

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Please note that the bills included on the Legislative Link tracking list are those that we believe might be of interest to you and your neighborhood. The Legislative Link tracking list does not include every bill being monitored by the City and the City does not have a formal position on all of the bills included on the list.

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