# **Legislative Link Update**

Feb 14, 2019

Hello and welcome to the 2019 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

Today is the 32<sup>nd</sup> day of session and there have been over 1385 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced. The large increase in bills introduced is due to the deadlines for both chambers to introduce a bill without special permission. The Senate deadline was Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> and the House deadline was Monday, February 11. The next session deadline is Friday, February 22 which is the last day for House consideration of House bills and Senate consideration of Senate bills. Next week will be very busy as legislators try to push as many bills through as possible before the deadline. Of the 63 bills on our tracking list, a total of 17 bills have cleared their assigned committee, 12 have cleared the House or Senate Rules Committee, and 4 have passed their chamber of origin and await action from the other chamber.

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

### **HB 2043 MUNICIPAL JUDGES; TERMS; RETENTION ELECTION**

HB 2043 would limit municipal court magistrates to a four-year term and make them subject to election for retention or rejection at a general election in the same manner as superior court or appellate court judges and Supreme Court justices. A municipal magistrate is required to file a declaration of desire to be retained in office in the office of the municipal clerk at least 60 days before the general election following the expiration of the magistrate's term of office. The name of a magistrate whose declaration is filed must be placed on the appropriate official ballot under a nonpartisan designation in a specified form. HB 2569 received a do pass from the House Judiciary Committee on February 13 and is now awaiting a House Rules Hearing.

#### HB 2319 HURF TRANSFERS; HIGHWAY PATROL; REPEAL

HB 2319 would restore a \$10M sweep of Highway User Revenue Funds, a critical funding source for cities, counties and the state to maintain roads and highways. The city of Glendale faces a pent-up demand for road improvements and any effort to restore HURF sweeps will assist the city of Glendale in completing its existing 5 year plan for addressing and improving every street and roadway in Glendale. HB 2319 received a do pass from the House Appropriations Committee on February 13 and is now awaiting a House Rules Hearing.

## HB 2548 PHARMACISTS; PRESCRIBING AUTHORITY; TREATMENTS

HB 2548 authorizes a licensed pharmacist to prescribe and administer a list of medications to a person who is six years of age or older. Under this bill, a pharmacist is authorized to prescribe a Tuberculin skin test and interpret the results for treatment referral purposes; prescription medications approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for an eligible patient who tests positive for influenza or strep throat; and FDA approved and listed drugs. The licensed pharmacist must meet requirements prescribed by rule by the Board of Pharmacy. The Board is required to adopt rules for prescribing and administering treatments, including rules for pharmacist certification, record keeping and reporting requirements. HB 2548 received a do pass from the House Health & Human Services Committee on February 11 and is now awaiting a House Rules Hearing.

#### HB 2569 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING; RECIPROCITY

HB 2569 would require a regulating entity to issue an occupational license or certificate to a person who establishes residence in Arizona if the person is currently licensed or certified in good standing in at least one other state in the discipline applied for and at the same practice level as determined by the regulating entity and if the person meets a list of other specified requirements. HB 2569 received a do pass from the House Regulatory Affairs Committee on February 12 and is now awaiting a House Rules Hearing.

Similar to previous years, 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.

Remember, you can watch committee hearings via the internet by going to the legislature's website and

http://www.azcapitolreports.com/webreport.cfm?webreport=26231&listid=66612&print=true

clicking on the live proceedings hyperlink located in the column on the left side of the page.

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

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Best regards,

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