Legislative Link Update

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Hello and welcome to the 2019 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

Today is the 43rd day of session and there have been over 1385 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced. At this time last year, there were over 1270 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced. Friday was the last day for bills to be heard in committee in their chamber of origin. Committee agendas were very full last week as legislators tried to push as many bills through as possible before the deadline. Some committee agendas exceeded 20 bills which resulted in long meetings and late nights for several committees. Bills that have not yet been heard in their initial committee cannot move forward without special permission from the Speaker of the House or the President of the Senate. We now have more than a month before the next session deadline as March 29 is the last day for House consideration of Senate bills and Senate consideration of House bills.

Of the 71 bills on our tracking list, a total of 37 bills have cleared their assigned committee, 17 have cleared the House or Senate Rules Committee, and 6 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 2473 State Liquor Board; Membership Update

Currently there are 7 seats on the state liquor board, 2 of which are designated for representatives of the liquor industry, 1 that is designated for a neighborhood group representative, and 4 at large seats. This bill would designate one of the at large seats for a current or former municipal elected official, who would be nominated by cities and towns across the state of Arizona. This bill was introduced by Representative Anthony Kern (representing Glendale) on behalf of the city of Glendale. The purpose is to ensure that municipal perspectives are clearly understood when the liquor board is considering license applications. Having a municipal representative on the board will allow cities and towns to share information related to local operations as well as to answer questions from other board members from a local government perspective. HB 2473 received a due pass from the House Commerce Committee and the House Rules Committee. HB 2473 is now awaiting a final vote from the Arizona House of Representatives.

HB 2672 VACATION RENTALS; SHORT-TERM RENTALS; REGULATION

Hb 2672 expands the list of purposes for which counties and municipalities are permitted to regulate short-term rentals to include restricting the maximum number of adult occupants allowed on the property at any one time to no more than two adults per sleeping room plus two adults, restricting the maximum number of guests, requiring the installation of safety and monitoring equipment that monitors and detects the level of noise and number of occupants on the property and transmittal of that information to the property owner or manager, and requiring the owner to provide contact information for the person responsible for responding to complaints at any time of day. Vacation rentals and short-term rentals are prohibited from being used for nonresidential uses, including a retail, restaurant, banquet space, event center or other similar use. HB 2672 received a due pass from the House Government Committee last week and is now awaiting a hearing from the House Rules Committee.

SB 1234 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR; DUTIES; BALLOT

SB 1234 establishes the office of Lieutenant Governor and places the Lieutenant Governor as the Director of the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA). No later than 60 days before the date of the general election, a candidate for Governor is required to submit to the Secretary of State the name of a person who will be the joint candidate for Lieutenant Governor with that gubernatorial candidate and whose name will appear on the general election ballot jointly with that candidate. The direction, operation and control of the Department of Administration is the responsibility of the Lieutenant Governor. Conditionally enacted on the state Constitution being amended by the voters at the 2020 general election by passage of an unspecified SCR (blank in original) relating to the establishment of the office of Lieutenant Governor. SB 1234 received a due pass from the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Senate Rules Committee. SB 1234 is now awaiting consideration from the Senate Committee of the Whole (COW).

SB 1481 FILING DEADLINES; TAXABLE YEAR 2018

SB 1481 establishes income tax return filing deadlines for tax year 2018 as follows: June 15, 2019 for returns made on the basis of the calendar year, the 15th day of the 6th month following the close of the fiscal year for returns made on the basis of a fiscal year, and the 15th day of the 5th month following the close of the taxable year for partnership returns. SB 1481 received a due pass from the Senate Finance Committee and is now awaiting a hearing from the Senate Rules Committee.

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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