

## Legislative Link Update

April 13, 2018

Hello and welcome to the 2018 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

Today is the 96<sup>th</sup> day of session and almost all activity was on the floor this week as both chambers continue to act on bills already passed in the opposite chamber. Of the 1,270 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced this legislative session, 264 bills have passed the Legislature. The Governor has now signed 194 of those bills, vetoed 5, and the remaining 66 await either his signature or veto. Tuesday, April 17th will mark the 100th day of the legislative session; however, it is clear the Legislature will not adjourn sine die by this date.

### **Governor Ducey Announces Teacher Pay Increase**

Yesterday, Governor Ducey announced a proposal to increase teacher salaries 20% by 2020. The Governor's proposal includes a 9% in FY19, which is a significant increase above the 1% that had previously been budgeted. This in combination with the 1% pay increase in FY18 will result in a 10% increase effective at the start of the 2018 school year this fall. Additional 5% increases will be planned for the next two years to achieve a net 20% increase by 2020. It is unclear how his proposal will be received by the Legislature as House leaders had proposed a 6% increase in FY19. It is also likely that there will be much debate about how to pay for the raises. Additionally, more information about yesterday's announcement, including how the plan will be funded, can be found here: <https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2018/04/governor-ducey-announces-teacher-pay-increase>

Below are summaries of some of the bills that have been signed into law by Governor Ducey:

### **HB 2006 MARRIAGE; MINIMUM AGE**

HB 2006 prohibits a person who is under 16 years of age from marrying, and the exceptions for persons under 16 to marry with the approval of a superior court judge are eliminated. A person who is at least 16 years of age and under 18 years of age is permitted to marry only if the person has either received an emancipation order or the parent or guardian who has custody of the person consents to the marriage, and if the person's prospective spouse is no more than three years older than the person. The clerk of the superior court is prohibited from issuing a marriage license to a person who is under 18 years of age who does not meet these requirements. HB 2006 was approved by the House 51-7, approved by the Senate 20-8 and was signed into law by Governor Ducey on April 11.

### **HB 2169 DRIVING VIOLATIONS; RESTRICTED LICENSES; PENALTIES**

HB 2169 outlines permitted travel for a restricted driver license or permit resulting from a conviction of a violation of statute, adds the option to restrict a person's driving privilege, and limits mandatory license suspension for failure to appear to criminal complaints. The bill also allows the court to mitigate a required court-ordered civil penalty if the offender demonstrates that the payment would be a hardship on the offender or the offender's immediate family. HB 2169 was approved by the House 56-0, approved by the Senate 30-0 and was signed into law by Governor Ducey on April 3.

**SB 1041 RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS; SEX OFFENDERS; VICTIMS**

SB 1041 makes it unlawful for a person who is required to register as a sex offender to knowingly establish a residence within 1,000 feet of the real property on which the person's former victim resides. Violations are a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor, and second or subsequent violations are a class 6 (lowest) felony. SB 1041 was approved by the Senate 17-13, approved by the House 34-25 and was signed into law by Governor Ducey on April 11.

**SB 1376 LANDLORD TENANT ACT; PERSONAL PROPERTY**

SB 1376 requires that after a landlord retakes possession of a dwelling unit, if the tenant's personal property remains in the unit, the landlord must hold the tenant's personal property for 14 calendar days, instead of 10 days or 21 days if the tenant was evicted. The landlord is not required to store the tenant's perishable items, plants and animals, and is permitted to remove and dispose of any personal property in the unit that is contaminated or poses a health and safety risk, at the landlord's discretion. The tenant's abandoned animals may be immediately removed and released to a shelter or boarding facility, or the landlord is required to notify animal control. If after 14 days the tenant makes no reasonable effort to recover the personal property, the landlord is permitted to donate the personal property to a qualifying charitable organization (in addition to the current authorization to sell the personal property). SB 1376 was approved by the Senate 21-9, approved by the House 33-25 and was signed into law by Governor Ducey on April 3.

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