

# Legislative Link Update

## March 13, 2020

Hello and welcome to the 2020 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

Today is the 61<sup>st</sup> day of session which is approximately the halfway point for the previous two legislative sessions. The House and Senate have focused their time voting on bills in third read (final vote) and the committees have slowly begun hearing bills from the opposite chamber. Governor Ducey has now signed 6 bills into law.

**Below are updates on a few bills that we believe may be of interest to you:**

### **HB 2260 Health Facilities; Resuscitation; Emergency Care**

HB 2260 requires all licensed health care institutions that provide congregant or residential care are to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first aid training for all staff as prescribed in rule by the Department of Health Services. Facility staff who are certified in CPR must be available at all times. HB 2260 requires these facilities to establish and implement policies that require facility staff to immediately evaluate the condition and circumstances of any resident who experiences cardiac arrest, any other cessation of respiration or any other medical emergency. HB 2260 passed out of the House 56-3 on March 5 and has since been assigned to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

### **HB 2627 Timeshares; Public Reports; Purchase Contracts**

HB 2627 increases the amount of time after the prospective buyer receives a public report and proposed purchase agreement to enter into a contract to purchase a timeshare interest that the prospective buyer and prospective seller have to enter into the contract to ten business days, from seven business days. The amount of time after execution of a timeshare purchase agreement that a purchaser may cancel is increased to ten calendar days, from seven calendar days. HB 2627 passed out of the House 60-0, passed out of the Senate Commerce Committee on March 5 and received an okay from the Senate Rules Committee on March 10.

### **SB 1523 Mental Health Omnibus**

Gov. Doug Ducey on Tuesday signed SB 1523 which aims to improve accessibility to mental health care, monitor suicide in Arizona and find at risk groups and ensure treatment and support services are available to health care providers and those who need it. The bill was dubbed, "Jake's Law," after Jake Machovsky, a 15-year-old who was hospitalized with suicidal thoughts and released days later because his health insurance wouldn't cover treatment. Jake committed suicide shortly after being released from the hospital. At the heart of the bill is a provision to bring the state into compliance with a federal statute, make it illegal to limit care and to ensure health insurers are as likely to cover mental and behavioral health care as they do medical or surgical care. It also creates an \$8 million fund and several review teams within the Department of Health Services to address youth suicide and study the efficacy of existing behavioral health services in schools.

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. <https://azcapitolreports.com/webreport.cfm?webreport=26403&listid=68786&print=true>

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

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