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LEGISLATIVE WEEKLY REPORT

Friday March 8th, 2019

Day of Session: 54

| <u>Legislation</u> | | <u>Memorial / Resolution</u> | |
|--------------------|------|------------------------------|----|
| Bills Posted: | 1289 | Posted: | 96 |
| Bills Passed: | 8 | Passed: | 5 |
| Bills Vetoed: | 1 | | |
| Bills Signed: | 6 | | |

Legislative News:

All three measures supported by the Game and Fish Commission were passed by the Senate Natural Resources and Energy Committee this week. These bills now have a few procedural steps to clear before being heard by the full Senate. The Arizona Game and Fish Department continues preparations for our annual outdoor Expo, check out the [video here](#). We look forward to seeing you at the the Ben Avery Shooting Facility March 30-31 for the state's largest hands-on outdoor expo. Admission and parking are **FREE**.

Notes:

- Commission supported HB2272 extending resident privileges to the children of military residents was passed unanimously by the Senate Natural Resources & Energy committee.
- The repeal of the definition of "trophy", HB2433 has passed the Senate Natural Resources & Energy committee with bipartisan support.
- The Senate Natural Resources & Energy committee passed HCM 2005, Representative Gail Griffin's memorial urging Congress to decline to designate the Great Bend of the Gila River and the surrounding areas as a national monument.

Upcoming Deadlines:

- **Last Day to Hear Bills in Regular Committees - Friday, 3/29/2019**
- **Last Day for Conference Committees - Friday, 4/19/2019**
- **100th Day of Session - Tuesday, 4/23/2019**

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COMMISSION SUPPORTED LEGISLATION

HB2272 G&F; RESIDENT; DEFINITION ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: While statute specifically extends residency for purposes of the big game draw to a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty who is stationed in another state or country but lists this state as their home of record, that statute is silent on the residency status of dependent children of that person. Because statute does not contemplate this situation, the Arizona Game and Fish Department must apply tests of residency to determine the resident or non-resident status of a youth hunter. These tests of residency are derived from the concept of domicile, and it is difficult if not impossible for a child living and attending school out of state to establish Arizona residency, even if that residency is afforded to both parents. This measure would extend residency privileges in big game draws to the youth dependents of active duty service members who qualify as residents of Arizona.

Sponsor: Representative Timothy Dunn, District 13

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/14/2019 **PASSED** 59-1-0-0
Senate Natural Resources & Energy 3/6/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0

HB2433 G&F; TROPHY DEFINITION; REPEAL ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: Deletes the definition of "trophy" from game and fish statutes. The civil penalty for the unlawful taking, wounding or possessing a trophy animal applies only to bighorn sheep and bison, and animals that were previously defined as trophy due to antler size are grouped with their species for the purpose of the civil penalties.

Sponsor: Representative Regina Cobb, District 5

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/25/2019 **PASSED** 44-16-0-0
Senate Natural Resources & Energy 3/6/2019 **DO PASS** 6-1-0-0

HCM2005 NATIONAL MONUMENT DESIGNATION; OPPOSITION ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: The Legislature urges the U.S. Congress to decline to designate the Great Bend of the Gila River and the surrounding areas as a national monument. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit copies of this memorial to the President of the U.S., the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House, each member of Congress from Arizona, the Secretary of the Interior and the Governor.

Sponsor: Representative Gail Griffin, District 14

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/14/2019 **PASSED** 31-29-0-0
Senate Natural Resources & Energy 3/6/2019 **DO PASS** 4-3-0-0



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OTHER BILLS OF INTEREST

HB2131 STATE AGENCIES; CITIZEN PORTAL; ACCESS ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: Each "state agency" (defined) that collects personal information from any person is required to establish a citizen portal, which must be a secure online website that allows a person to access the person's personal information that the state agency collects and to correct any error in the person's personal information.

Sponsor: Representative Bob Thorpe, District 6

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/26/2019 **PASSED** 33-26-1-0
Referred to Senate Government

HB2271 PUBLIC LANDS DAY; HOLIDAY ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: The first Saturday in April of each year shall be observed as Public Lands Day. Public Lands Day is not a legal holiday.

Sponsor: Representative Timothy Dunn, District 13

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/14/2019 **PASSED** 60-0-0-0
Senate Natural Resources & Energy 3/6/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0

HB2547 PUBLIC LANDS; MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT; COMMITTEE ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: Establishes the Arizona Department of Public Land Management to provide for public land management by the state. The Governor is required to appoint a Director of the Department, and powers and duties of the Director and of the Department are listed. The Department is required to manage each parcel of public land in Arizona to promote a list of specified uses. The Director is authorized to establish by rule applications and fees for permits and leases related to public land uses, and monies are deposited in the newly established Public Land Management Fund. The Department terminates on July 1, 2026. Also establishes an 8-member Joint Legislative Committee on Public Land Management to study and make recommendations on the management of public land by the state. The Committee is required to report to specified Legislative committees by November 30 of each year, and self-repeals July 1, 2027. Conditionally enacted on the Governor entering into a memorandum of understanding with the U.S. Department of the Interior relating to the management of public land by Arizona, on or before December 31, 2023.

Sponsor: Representative Mark Finchem, District 11

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/25/19 **PASSED** 31-29-0-0
Referred to Senate Natural Resources & Energy

HB2580 GRANTS; INVASIVE VEGETATION ERADICATION ([House Engrossed](#))

Summary: The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management is required to provide grants to counties, municipalities, Indian tribes and other political subdivisions for nonnative vegetative invasive species eradication projects that will assist in preventing fire and flooding, conserving water and restoring habitat to threatened and endangered species. Projects are to be coordinated with the Arizona State Land Department and Arizona Game and Fish Department. Establishes and appropriates \$5 million from the General Fund to the Nonnative Vegetative Species Eradication Fund in FY2019-20 to the for grants for nonnative vegetative invasive species eradication projects.

Sponsor: Representative Joanne Osborne, District 13



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Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/28/2019 **PASSED** 60-0-0-0
Referred to Senate Appropriations

HB2701 STATE PARKS; LOTTERY; HERITAGE FUND (As Introduced)

Summary: Of the monies remaining in the State Lottery Fund each fiscal year after statutory appropriations and deposits and after the \$10 million deposit in the Game and Fish Commission Heritage Fund, \$10 million must be deposited in the Arizona State Parks Board (ASPB) Heritage Fund established by this legislation. The ASPB is required to spend monies in the ASPB Heritage Fund for specified purposes in specified percentages. The ASPB is required to submit an annual report to the Legislature by December 31 of each year that includes specified information on Fund expenditures. The Auditor General is required to conduct a performance audit of the Fund at the same time any agency performance audit of the ASPB is conducted.

Sponsor: Representative Joanne Osborne, District 13

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/28/2019 **PASSED** 53-7-0-0

SB1241 STATE PARKS BOARD; HERITAGE FUND (As Introduced)

Summary: Establishes the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund to be administered by the Arizona State Parks Board. The Board is required to establish criteria for the use of monies in the Fund and monies in the Fund are required to be used for specified purposes in specified percentages. By December 31 of each year, the Board is required to submit a report to the Legislature that includes specified information on Fund expenditures. The Auditor General is required to conduct a performance audit of the Fund at the same time any agency performance audit of the Board is conducted. Contains a legislative intent section.

Sponsor: Senator Kate Brophy McGee, District 28

Disposition: Senate Third Read 2/28/2019 **PASSED** 30-0-0-0

Hearing: House Natural Resources, Energy & Water 3/12/19

SB1440 WATERCRAFT; AUDIBLE SOUND DEVICES (As Introduced)

Summary: Every power-driven watercraft is required to be equipped with a functional device that produces sound that is audible for at least one-half nautical mile. A human voice does not meet this requirement.

Sponsor: Senator Frank Pratt, District 8

Disposition: Senate Third Read 2/21/2019 **PASSED** 26-4-0-0

Hearing: House Natural Resources, Energy & Water 3/12/19

SB1450 NONNATIVE VEGETATION ERADICATION; GRANTS (Senate Engrossed)

Summary: The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management is required to provide grants to counties, municipalities, Indian tribes and other political subdivisions for nonnative vegetative invasive species eradication projects that will assist in preventing fire and flooding, conserving water and restoring habitat to threatened and endangered species. Projects are to be coordinated with the Arizona State Land Department and Arizona Game and Fish Department. Establishes and appropriates \$5 million from the General Fund to the Nonnative Vegetative Species Eradication Fund in FY2019-20 to be for grants for nonnative vegetative invasive species eradication projects.

Sponsor: Senator Sine Kerr, District 13

Disposition: Senate Appropriations 2/19/2019



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Senate Third Read 2/28/2019 **PASSED** 28-2-0-0

SB1482 STATE AGENCIES; FEE INCREASE; LIMIT ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: Except with prior review by the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, state agencies are prohibited from increasing a fee in an amount that exceeds the percentage of change in the average consumer price index as published by the U.S. Department of Labor between the figure for the latest calendar year and the calendar year in which the last fee increase occurred.

Sponsor: Senator J.D. Mesnard, District 17

Disposition: Senate Third Read 3/4/2019 **PASSED** 17-13-0-0

Referred to House Government; House Appropriations

SB1520 LIVESTOCK; DEFINITION; FERAL GOATS ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: For the purpose of livestock regulations, the definition of "livestock" is modified to exclude feral goats.

Sponsor: Senator Sine Kerr, District 13

Disposition: Senate Water & Agriculture 2/21/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0

HR2001 GRAND CANYON PARK; 100TH ANNIVERSARY ([Transmitted to Secretary of State](#))

Summary: The members of the House of Representatives recognize the 100th anniversary of Grand Canyon National Park as an occasion to celebrate its incredible impact on Arizona and to inspire future generations to experience and protect the Park. AS SENT TO SECRETARY OF STATE.

Sponsor: Representative TJ Shope, District 8

Disposition: House of Representatives 2/26/2019 **UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED**

HCM2002 URGING ERADICATION; SALT CEDARS; WATERWAYS ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: The Legislature urges the U.S. Congress to appropriate monies to Arizona to eradicate salt cedars from Arizona waterways, and urges the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to develop innovative solutions to control the proliferation of salt cedars. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit copies of this memorial to the President of the U.S., the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and each member of Congress from Arizona.

Sponsor: Representative Gail Griffin, District 14

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/28/2019 **PASSED** 42-18-0-0

Referred to Senate Water & Agriculture

HCM2007 ADMINISTRATIVELY RECOMMENDED WILDERNESS; URGING CONGRESS ([As Introduced](#))

Summary: The Legislature urges the U.S. Congress to act to prohibit federal agencies from recommending and identifying Arizona's public lands as wilderness areas without express congressional consent and state and local consent. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit copies of this memorial to the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House and each member of Congress from Arizona.

Sponsor: Representative Gail Griffin, District 14



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Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 2/26/2019 **PASSED** 31-28-1-0
Hearing: Senate Natural Resources & Energy 3/13/2019

HCR2019 SUPPORT; WATER AND FOREST MANAGEMENT ([House Engrossed](#))

Summary: The members of the Legislature express their support of a reasonable and prudent multiple-use forest management policy to improve our nation's forest health.

Sponsor: Representative Gail Griffin, District 14

Disposition: House of Representatives Third Read 3/4/2019 32-27-1-0
Referred to Senate Water & Agriculture

SCM1002 FEDERAL LANDS; FORGONE REVENUE; EDUCATION ([Senate Engrossed](#))

Summary: The Legislature urges the U.S. Congress to establish an objective standard for calculating the value of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) payments that are equivalent to the tax revenue Arizona, political subdivisions and school districts would otherwise be able to generate but for federal control of Arizona lands, and to provide full, timely and sustainable long-term funding for the PILT program. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit copies of this memorial to the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House and each member of Congress from Arizona.

Sponsor: Senator Sylvia Allen, District 6

Disposition: Senate Third Read 2/4/2019 **PASSED** 30-0-0-0
House Federal Relations 3/6/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0



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