

Legislative Link Update January 15, 2016

Hello and welcome to the 2016 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

The 2nd Regular Session of the 52nd Legislature convened on Monday, January 11th. Today is the 5th day of session and there have been over 700 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced. For comparison, last session there were over 1,200 bills introduced and of those 344 were passed by the Legislature and 324 were ultimately signed into law. We are in the process of reading through those bills and the hundreds more that will be introduced in the coming weeks. So far, we have identified 126 bills that we have added to our Legislative Link Tracking List because we believe they may be of interest to you and your neighborhood.

The session began on Monday with Governor Ducey giving his second State of the State address. You can watch his speech here <http://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2016/01/watch-arizona-state-state-address>. Earlier today, Governor Ducey released his Executive Budget Recommendation for FY 2017. Information about the Governor's Budget Recommendation can be found here: <http://www.azospb.gov/2017-budget.html>. The recommendation includes total state General Fund spending of just under \$9.5 billion, including increased spending on education, child safety, corrections, and public safety. It is also widely anticipated that the Governor will be working with legislative leaders to develop a tax cut or tax reform proposal as the session progresses.

This year, 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 will allow our Legislative Link participants to receive the most up to date information on bill status and committee hearing schedules at any time, rather than only receiving information that was current as of the time that the previous PDF tracking reports were sent out.
<http://www.azcapitolreports.com/webreport.cfm?webreport=25627&listid=57425&print=true>

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

Remember, you can watch committee hearings via the internet by going to the [legislature's website](#) and clicking on the live proceedings hyperlink located in the column on the left side of the page.

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