

Legislative Link Update February 22, 2016

Today is the 43rd day of session and there have been over 1,300 bills, memorials, and resolutions introduced which is an increase above the 1,200 bills, memorials, and resolution that were introduced in 2015. Friday, February 19th was the last day for bills to be heard in their chamber of origin. Both committee and floor agendas were very full last week as legislators tried to push as many bills through as possible before that deadline. Bills that have not crossed chambers yet can however still move forward under special permission from the Speaker of the House or the President of the Senate.

A number of bills on our tracking list cleared their chamber of origin and are now awaiting committee hearings in the opposite chamber. Of the bills on our tracking list, 26 cleared the House and 18 cleared the Senate, a significant increase from previous updates due to busy floor activity. You'll see that there are numerous bills on our tracking list which are scheduled for committee hearings in the opposite chamber this week.

A total of 4 bills have already passed both chambers and been signed by the Governor. Those bills deal with funding for the internet crimes against children task force, reform of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS), and the restoration of funding for joint technical education districts known as JTEDs.

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.

Arizona State Legislature Website: www.azleg.gov

To determine who your state legislators are, [click here](#)

You can also visit the Intergovernmental Programs Department's webpage for additional information by [clicking here](#)

Please note that the bills included on the Legislative Link tracking list are those that we believe might be of interest to you and your neighborhood. The Legislative Link tracking list does not include every bill being monitored by the City and the City does not have a formal position on all of the bills included on the list.

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