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# LEGISLATIVE WEEKLY REPORT

Friday February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Day of Session: 33

<u>Legislation</u>		<u>Memorial / Resolution</u>	
Bills Posted:	1289	Posted:	96
Bills Passed:	6	Passed:	3
Bills Vetoed:	1		
Bills Signed:	3		

## Legislative News:

Submission deadlines have passed and the legislature is charging full ahead into the last week to hear bills in the chamber of origin. Multiple Commission supported measures advanced this week and are on their way to the opposite chamber.

## Notes:

- The Game and Fish Commission hosted its annual Legislative Day this past Monday and it was, as always, a huge success. Remember us when it's time to vote for best of the Capitol!
- Legislation brought by sportsmen and supported by the Commission to remove the word "trophy" from statute (HB2433) passed the House Natural Resources, Energy & Water 9-4 on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Commission supported HB2272, extending residency privileges to the children of active duty military parents stationed out of state, passed a vote of the full House of Representatives 59-1 on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. The bill now moves to the Senate.
- Representative Griffin's HCM2005 urging congress to decline designation of the Great Bend of the Gila and to hold public meetings prior to monument designations in Arizona passed a vote of the House of Representatives on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 31-29.

## Upcoming Deadlines:

- **Last Day to Hear Bills in Chamber of Origin - Friday, 2/22/2019**

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## COMMISSION SUPPORTED LEGISLATION

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### **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 Land and Agriculture 1/31/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0  
House of Representatives Third Read 2/14/2019 **PASSED** 59-1-0-0

### **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

**Disposition:** House Natural Resources, Energy & Water 2/13/2019 **DO PASS** 9-4-0-0  
House Land & Agriculture 2/7/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0

### **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 Natural Resources, Energy & Water 02/05/19 **DO PASS** 8-5-0-0  
House of Representatives Third Read 2/14/2019 **PASSED** 31-29-0-0



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## OTHER BILLS OF INTEREST

### **HB2056 FEDERAL LAND; MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT; COMMITTEE ([As Introduced](#))**

**Summary:** Establishes the Arizona Department of Federal Land Management to provide for federal land management and facilitate the transfer of federal public lands to Arizona. 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 issues. 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 Federal Public Land Management Fund. The Department terminates on July 1, 2026. Also establishes an 8-member Joint Legislative Committee on Federal Land Management to study and make recommendations on the transfer of federally controlled public land to Arizona. 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 transfer or management of federal public lands by Arizona, on or before December 31, 2023.

**Sponsor:** Representative Mark Finchem, District 11

**Disposition:** **Awaiting Committee Assignment**

### **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 Land and Agriculture 1/31/2019 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0  
House of Representatives Third Read 2/14/2019 **PASSED** 60-0-0-0

### **HB2390 STATE PARKS; HERITAGE FUND; LOTTERY ([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 June 30 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 Kirsten Engel, District 10

**Disposition:** **Referred to House Natural Resources Energy And Water;  
House Appropriations**

### **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



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**Sponsor:** Representative Mark Finchem, District 11

**Disposition:** House Federal Relations 02/06/19 **DO PASS** 4-3-0-0

### **HB2580 GRANTS; INVASIVE VEGETATION ERADICATION ([Strike Everything Amendment](#))**

**Summary:** The Game and Fish Commission 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. Appropriates \$15 million from the general fund in FY2019-20 to the Wildlife Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Fund for grants for nonnative vegetative invasive species eradication projects.

**Sponsor:** Representative Joanne Osborne, District 13

**Disposition:** House Natural Resources, Energy & Water

**DO PASS AMENDED, STRIKE EVERYTHING** 12-0-0-0

**House Appropriations HEARING 2:00 PM, 2/20/2019**

### **SB1132 G&F; APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDATION BOARD; REPEAL ([As Introduced](#))**

**Summary:** The Arizona Game and Fish Commission Appointment Recommendation Board is repealed.

**Sponsor:** Senator Juan Mendez, District 26

**Disposition:** **Referred to Senate Natural Resources and Energy**

### **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 Natural Resources and Energy 2/13/2019 **DO PASS** 6-0-1-0

### **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 Natural Resources and Energy 02/06/19 **DO PASS** 7-0-0-0



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## **SB1450 GRANTS; INVASIVE VEGETATION ERADICATION ([Strike Everything Amendment](#))**

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**Sponsor:** Senator Sine Kerr, District 13

**Disposition:** Senate Water and Agriculture 2/14/2019

**DO PASS AMENDED, STRIKE EVERYTHING 7-0-0-0**

**Senate Appropriations HEARING 2:00 PM, 2/19/2019**

## **SB1473 MOTORIZED WATERCRAFT OPERATION; AGE RESTRICTIONS ([As Introduced](#))**

**Summary:** A person under 16 years of age, increased from 12 years of age, is prohibited from operating a watercraft propelled by a motor of greater than eight horsepower, except in case of emergency. A person who is 16 or 17 years of age is prohibited from operating a watercraft propelled by a motor of greater than eight horsepower unless the person has successfully completed a boating safety course approved by the Arizona Game and Fish Department or the person's parent or legal guardian or at least one person who is 18 years of age or older is present on the watercraft. Violations are a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.

**Sponsor:** Senator Lupe Contreras, District 19

**Disposition:** **Senate Natural Resources & Energy**

## **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**

## **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 Natural Resources, Energy & Water 02/12/19 **DO PASS 11-1-0-0**



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## 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

**Disposition:** House Natural Resources, Energy & Water **HEARING 2/19/2019**

## HCR2019 SUPPORTING PROPER FOREST MANAGEMENT [\(As Introduced\)](#)

**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 Natural Resources, Energy & Water **HEARING 02/19/2019**

## HR2001 GRAND CANYON PARK; 100TH ANNIVERSARY [\(As Introduced\)](#)

**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.

**Sponsor:** Representative T.J. Shope, District 8

**Disposition:** **Awaiting Committee Assignment**



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