ARIZONA FUNERAL, CEMETERY & CREMATION ASSOCIATION

Legislative Report March 13, 2014

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Posted Calendars and Committee Hearings

H2225: COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES

Hearing: Senate Government & Environment (Monday 03/17/14 at 2:00 PM, Senate Rm. 3)

H2523: PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT

Hearing: Senate Government & Environment (Monday 03/17/14 at 2:00 PM, Senate Rm. 3)

Hearing: Senate Appropriations (Tuesday 03/18/14 at 2:00 PM, Senate Rm. 109)

Bill Summaries

H2019: CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD

The statutory life of the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers is extended 8 years to July 1, 2022. Retroactive to July 1, 2014.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh

H2019 Daily History CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 3/10 to Senate consent calendar. 3/11 stricken from Senate consent calendar by Biggs. From Senate rules okay. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 2/26 from Senate com-energy-mil do pass. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 2/18 referred to Senate com-energy-mil. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 2/11 passed House 58-1; ready for Senate. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 2/4 from House rules okay. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 2/3 to House consent calendar. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 1/29 from House com do pass. CONTINUATION; FUNERAL BOARD 1/14 referred to House com.

H2117: PERFORMANCE STANDARDS; WATER SOFTENERS (TECH CORRECTION; DRY WELLS; REGULATION)

Beginning February 1, 2016, establishes performance standards for residential water softeners. Prohibits the sale or installation of time-clock regenerated ion exchange water softeners. Does not prohibit a municipality or county from adopting and enforcing more restrictive salinity and water efficiency standards for residential ion exchange water softeners. AS PASSED HOUSE.

First sponsor: Rep. Fann

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H2117 Daily History

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS; WATER SOFTENERS

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PERFORMANCE STANDARDS; WATER SOFTENERS 2/27 House COW approved with amend #4168. NOTE SHORT TITLE CHANGE.

TECH CORRECTION; DRY WELLS; REGULATION

2/10 referred to House energy-env.
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H2142: TECH CORRECTION; WATER EXCHANGES

Minor change in Title 45 (Waters) related to water exchange contracts. Apparent striker bus.

First sponsor: Rep. Petersen

H2142 Daily History Date Action
No actions posted for this bill.

H2223: WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION

The statutory life of the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority is extended 8 years to July 1, 2022. Retroactive to July 1, 2014.

First sponsor: Rep. Fann

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H2223 Daily History

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 3/11 from Senate rules okay.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 3/10 to Senate consent calendar. Stricken from Senate consent calendar by Ward.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 2/25 from Senate gov-env do pass.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 2/18 referred to Senate gov-env.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 2/10 passed House 60-0; ready for Senate.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 2/4 from House rules okay.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 2/3 to House consent calendar.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 1/29 from House agri-water do pass.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 1/28 House agri-water do pass; report awaited.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONTINUATION 1/22 referred to House agri-water.
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<u>H2225</u>: COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES

Photographs, digital images, x-rays and video recordings of human remains that are created by a medical examiner or their employees or agents during a death investigation cannot be disclosed unless a superior court judge grants disclosure of all or part of the materials after reviewing the materials in camera. A person seeking disclosure may file a petition in superior court for an in camera review. Specified persons are authorized to examine and obtain the materials without a court order, including law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction and immediate family of the decedent. A cause of action may not arise against the medical examiner or their employees or agents for the lawful disclosure of these materials. AS PASSED HOUSE.

First sponsor: Rep. Fann

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H2225 Daily History

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 3/11 from Senate jud do pass.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 3/5 referred to Senate gov-env, jud.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 3/4 passed House 55-1; ready for Senate.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 2/27 House COW approved with amend #4016 and floor amend #4405.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 2/24 from House rules okay.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 1/29 from House gov with amend #4016.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 1/28 House gov amended; report awaited.

COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER; AUTOPSIES; IMAGES 1/22 referred to House gov.
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<u>H2267</u>: BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS

Prior to death, a decedent may direct in writing the disposition of his/her remains

and specify funeral goods and services to be provided. These instructions may not be changed in any material way, except if required by law, and must be carried out on the decedent's death if the instructions are clear and complete, arrangements for payment have been made, and the instructions do not violate the written policies of the funeral establishment, crematory or cemetery. AS PASSED HOUSE.

First sponsor: Rep. Forese

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H2267 Daily History Date Action
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 3/5 Senate com-energy-mil held.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 2/25 referred to Senate com-energy-mil.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 2/24 passed House 56-3; ready for Senate.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 2/20 House COW approved with floor amend #4287.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 2/18 stricken from House consent calendar by Forese.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 2/17 to House consent calendar. From House rules okay.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 2/5 from House com do pass.
BURIAL; INSTRUCTIONS 1/28 referred to House com.
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H2269: CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT

In any civil action, the finder of fact may find the defendant not liable if the defendant proves that s/he did not act intentionally and that the claimant was attempting to commit or fleeing from a metal theft and as a result of that act was in any way responsible for the harm caused to the claimant.

First sponsor: Rep. Forese

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H2269 Daily History

CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT 3/11 from Senate jud do pass.

CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT 2/25 referred to Senate jud.

CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT 2/24 passed House 55-4; ready for Senate.

CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT 2/17 to House consent calendar. From House rules okay.

CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT 2/5 from House com do pass.

CIVIL LIABILITY; DAMAGES; METAL THEFT 1/28 referred to House com.
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H2325: TECH CORRECTION; ASSISTANT FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Minor change in Title 32 (Professions and Occupations) related to assistant funeral director licensure. Apparent striker bus.

First sponsor: Rep. J. Pierce

H2325 Daily History	Date	Action	
No actions posted for this bill.			

H2332: UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL

A person that possesses unclaimed cremated remains is permitted to release "verification information" (defined) associated with the remains to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or a "veterans' service organization" (defined) to verify whether the remains are of a veteran or veteran's dependent eligible to be interred in a veterans' cemetery if specified conditions are met. If the remains are of a veteran or veteran's dependent, the person may transfer the remains to a veterans' service organization, which must ensure that the remains are interred in a veterans' cemetery. AS PASSED HOUSE.

First sponsor: Rep. Orr

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H2332 Daily History

UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL 3/5 referred to Senate com-energy-mil.

UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL 3/4 passed House 54-1; ready for Senate.

UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL 2/27 House COW approved with amend #4127.

UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL 2/19 from House rules okay.

UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL 2/12 from House pub-mil-reg with amend #4127.

UNCLAIMED REMAINS; VETERANS; BURIAL 1/22 referred to House pub-mil-reg.
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H2434: WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY; REPORT

The deadline for the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority Board's annual report to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature is moved to January 31, from January 1.

First sponsor: Rep. Thorpe

H2434 Daily History
No actions posted for this bill.

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H2446: SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT

Scrap metal sellers are required to be at least 18 years of age, increased from 16. AS PASSED HOUSE.

First sponsor: Rep. Gowan

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H2446 Daily History Date Action

SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT 3/4 passed House 43-12; ready for Senate.

SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT 2/27 House COW approved with amend #4128.

SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT 2/19 from House rules okay.

SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT 2/12 from House com with amend #4128.

SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT 2/5 House com held.

SCRAP METAL SELLERS; AGE REQUIREMENT 1/28 referred to House com.
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H2523: PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT

For the purposes of funding from the Water Supply Development Revolving Fund, the definition of "water provider" is expanded to include a county that enters into an intergovernmental agreement with a municipality or other water provider regarding a water supply development project. Monies in the Fund may be used for a water provider located outside an active management area if the Department of Water Resources has designated the water provider as having an adequate water supply or if the water provider will use the financial assistance for a water supply development project and the Dept has determined that there is an adequate water supply for all subdivided land that will be served by the project. The maximum length of repayment for loans from the Fund is increased to 50 years, from 30 years. Appropriates \$1 million from the general fund in FY2014-15 to the Fund. AS PASSED HOUSE.

First sponsor: Rep. Barton

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H2523 Daily History

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 3/10 referred to Senate gov-env, appro.

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 3/6

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 3/5

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 3/5

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 3/3

Withdrawn from House appro.

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 2/12 from House agri-water with amend #4119.

PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT 1/30 referred to House agri-water, appro.
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H2561: PRIVATE CERTIFICATION; OCCUPATIONS

Adds a new chapter to Title 32 (Professions and Occupations) regulating "private certifying organizations" (defined) and authorizing an individual who is certified by a private certifying organization to engage in the lawful occupation for which that individual is privately certified, regardless of any occupational regulation. State or local boards, agencies and departments are prohibited from imposing a monetary assessment, penalty, fine or fee on a privately certified individual for engaging in lawful occupation.

First sponsor: Rep. Petersen

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H2561 Daily History Date Action
PRIVATE CERTIFICATION; OCCUPATIONS 2/19 from House com do pass.
PRIVATE CERTIFICATION; OCCUPATIONS 2/19 House com do pass; report awaited.
PRIVATE CERTIFICATION; OCCUPATIONS 2/11 referred to House com.
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S1202: TECH CORRECTION; WATER PROTECTION

Minor change in Title 45 (Waters) related to water protection. Apparent striker bus.

First sponsor: Sen. Burges

S1202 Daily History Date Action

TECH CORRECTION; WATER PROTECTION 1/27 referred to Senate rules only.

S1205: TECH CORRECTION; WATER QUALITY FUND

Minor change in Title 49 (Environment) related to the Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund. Apparent striker bus.

First sponsor: Sen. Burges

S1205 Daily History Date Action

TECH CORRECTION; WATER QUALITY FUND 1/27 referred to Senate rules only.

S1272: NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS

Increases the minimum amount of state assistance received in any fiscal year for a nonprofit corporation to be required to file audited financial statements with the grantor agency to \$250,000, from \$50,000.

First sponsor: Sen. Ward

S1272 Daily History

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/24 from House ways-means do pass.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/20 referred to House ways-means.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/13 passed Senate 30-0; ready for House.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/11 from Senate rules okay.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/10 to Senate consent calendar.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/6 from Senate fin do pass.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 2/5 Senate fin do pass; report awaited.

NONPROFIT CORPS; STATE MONIES; AUDITS 1/30 referred to Senate fin.

SCR1010: LAND DONATION; VETERANS' CEMETERY

The members of the Legislature warmly thank the Kai Family Foundation for its generous land donation for the State Veterans' Cemetery in Marana, Arizona.

First sponsor: Sen. Melvin

SCR1010 Daily History Date Action No actions posted for this bill.