

# COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

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**HB 2123 – Chapter 37 – license plate commission repeal**

Repeals the License Plate Commission and allows for special organization license plates to be combined with personalized special plates if the organization makes the request and pays ADOT the monies necessary to cover the costs to implement the combination.

**HB 2388 – Chapter 105 – \*STAN; repayment**

Requires a city or town to repay monies received from the STAN Account within 15 years after receiving the monies.

**HB 2396 – Chapter 141 – \*transportation; public-private partnerships**

Establishes parameters for ADOT to enter into public-private partnerships for the construction, financing, operation and maintenance of transportation projects, including toll roads.

**HB 2426 – Chapter 143 – enhanced driver licenses; prohibition**

Prohibits Arizona from participating in the implementation of an Enhanced Driver License program in order to comply with the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative or the REAL ID Act of 2005.

**HB 2480 – Chapter 52 – regional transportation authorities; qualifying counties.**

Allows counties with a population of greater than 200,000 but less than 400,000 to create a regional transportation authority (RTA) and permits counties with a population exceeding 200,000 but less than 1.2 million to collect a transportation excise tax for an RTA.

**HB 2530 – Chapter 121 – reckless driving; prior convictions**

Clarifies that the dates of the commission of multiple offenses of reckless driving, irrespective of when the offenses were committed, must be the determining factor when considering if they were committed within a 24 month period for the purposes of sentencing.

**SB 1003 – Chapter 124 – driving under the influence; methadone**

Specifies that persons who drive or are in actual physical control of a vehicle while using a drug as prescribed are not guilty of driving under the influence as long as they are not otherwise impaired.

**SB 1169 – Chapter 158 – vehicle impoundment; administrative towing fund**

Establishes the Capitol Police Administrative Towing Fund (Fund) and specifies that administrative charges collected must be deposited into the Fund. Further stipulates that a person may not operate a tow truck for the purpose of towing vehicles without first registering with the Director of DPS and obtaining a bond.

**SB 1180 – Chapter 61 – towing companies; release of vehicles**

Makes the following changes relating to tows resulting from motor vehicle accidents:

- Requires a towing company to release a towed vehicle to a person designated in writing by an insurance company on the day the request is given to the towing company.
- Prohibits a towing company from requiring payment for the removal of personal property inside a vehicle during normal business hours.
- Prohibits a towing company from towing or transporting a vehicle from its lot without prior permission from the vehicle owner or his or her insurance company.

- Specifies that a vehicle repair facility or an employee of a vehicle repair facility must not pay or agree to pay, and a towing company or a towing company employee must not accept or agree to accept monies, fees, commissions, credits, gifts, gratuities or items of value as an attempt to intimidate or persuade a person requesting a tow or transport to choose a vehicle repair facility recommended by the tow company.

**SB 1289 – Chapter 131 [E] – vehicle accident reports**

Permits the release of personal identifying information contained in vehicle accident reports on request by a person involved in an accident, a licensed insurer of a person or vehicle involved in an accident, or an attorney representing a person involved in an accident.

**SB 1293 – Chapter 70 – \*certificates of title; electronic system**

Requires the Director of ADOT (Director) to mandate the recording of certificates of title for newly issued, transferred and corrected certificates through electronic media.

**SB 1320 – Chapter 187 – \*transportation omnibus**

Makes various changes to statutes regulating ADOT along with numerous changes to transportation and transportation-related statutes, including:

- Updates and reorganizes current HOV lane statutes, codifies LEEV standards in statute and states that upon federal approval, persons with LEEVs who apply for the LEEV license plate can drive in HOV lanes any time of day regardless of occupancy and without penalty.
- Allows the Director of ADOT (Director) to assess a fee for each insufficient monies, payments stopped, or closed accounts and stipulates that the fee be determined by the Director.
- Makes changes to CDLs to conform with federal laws and requires that a court transmit abstracts of records of photo radar violations to ADOT for CDL holders.
- Clarifies bonding requirements and allows the State to accept cash bonds in lieu of surety bonds, holds them to the same statutory requirements and specifies that the bond cannot exceed \$100,000.
- Permits ADOT to establish a State Certified Rest Area Program that meets the Federal Highway Administration's requirements and allows ADOT to create a Rest Area Sponsorship Program.
- Creates the *Arizona Professional Football Club* and the *Emergency Medical Services* special license plates, and redirects monies from the *Gold Star Family* special license plate subaccount within the VDF for the construction and maintenance of the Enduring Freedom Memorial.
- Extends the one-time VLT and the permanent vehicle registration fee to noncommercial trailers between 6,000 and 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight.
- Clarifies that the dates of the commission of multiple offenses of reckless driving, irrespective of when the offenses were committed, must be the determining factor when considering if they were committed within a 24-month period for the purposes of sentencing.
- Allows, rather than requires, the Transportation Board to prescribe rules for the effective administration of its powers, duties and responsibilities and removes the requirement for the Director to adopt rules for the application and expenditure of all public transit monies.

- Allows drivers of implements of husbandry to drive slower than is reasonable if the speed exceeds the maximum safe operating speed of the vehicle, allows the driver to drive slower than the reasonable flow of traffic if the speed exceeds the maximum safe operating speed and modifies the definition of *implements of husbandry* and defines *farm*.
- Establishes and outlines the Joint Legislative Review Committee on Transportation between Sonora, Mexico and Arizona.
- Creates a new chapter in statute for Arizona International Development Authority (AIDA) and allows AIDA to receive appropriated funds from the Legislature, as well as from other public and private sources. Further transfers administrative and support responsibilities from ADOC to ADOT.
- Requires escort vehicle operators to receive training and certification before being employed into service.
- Provides guidance for the wording to be used on portable signs at school crossings.
- Allows heavy duty vehicles equipped with idle reduction technology to exceed the gross per-axle or axle group weight limit by no more than 400 pounds.
- Requires a city or town to repay monies received from the Roads of Regional Significance Congestion Mitigation subaccount of the STAN Account within 15 years after receiving the loan.
- Allows a city or town to construct, operate and finance the construction of toll roads within the corporate limits.
- Permits local authorities to create public transportation stops on state highways or routes if the speed limit does not exceed 55 miles per hour.
- Allows ADOT to include price competition as part of the selection criteria in a request for qualifications (RFQ) selection process for a construction-manager-at-risk contract. Federal stimulus monies must be the source of funding for a construction project and price competition. These provisions apply if the RFQ is issued by ADOT before January 1, 2015, and are repealed on October 1, 2015.
- Allows Arizona to use its existing procurement methods to apply for ARRA funding under these methods and repeals on December 31, 2014.