



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2541

primitive campgrounds; exemption; definition

Purpose

Establishes health and regulation guidelines for primitive camp and picnic grounds.

Background

Current statute allows the Director of the Department of Health Services (Director) to define and prescribe measures for recreational and summer camps, campgrounds, motels, tourist courts, trailer coach parks and hotels regarding: 1) sewage and excreta disposal; 2) garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal; and 3) water supply. The Director must also prescribe minimum standards for: 1) preparation of food in community kitchens; 2) adequacy of excreta disposal; 3) garbage and trash collection; 4) storage and disposal; and 5) water supply (A.R.S. § 36-136).

Each county is required to investigate all nuisances, sources of filth and causes of sicknesses and prescribe sanitary regulations that are necessary for the public health and safety of all inhabitants (A.R.S. § 36-183.02).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Exempts state- or political subdivision-offered primitive camp and picnic grounds from following rules mandated by the Department of Health Services regarding sewage, disposal, garbage and water standards.
2. Specifies that primitive camp and picnic grounds are subject to approval by a county health department under county prescribed sanitary regulations.
3. Defines *primitive camp and picnic grounds* as camp and picnic grounds that are remote in nature and without accessibility to public infrastructure including water, electricity and sewer.
4. Makes technical changes.
5. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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