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House Ways & Means Committee Unanimously Passes Leach Bill Regarding ADA Compliance Costs

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative Vince Leach (R-11) today applauded the House Ways & Means Committee for unanimously passing his legislation (<u>HB 2214</u>) that lets businesses write-off costs associated with complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the year they incur those costs.

Presently, businesses must amortize ADA compliance costs over 39 years.

"Current law forces small businesses to choose between costly repairs or costly lawsuits," said Representative Leach. "HB 2214 encourages businesses to comply with the ADA by mitigating the costs of doing so. It's a win-win."

HB 2214 has broad support, ranging from business groups, like the National Federation of Independent Businesses, to advocates for the disabled, like the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

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