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## House Speaker-elect Mesnard and Senate President-elect Yarbrough Submit Amicus Brief Urging Status Quo Until Prop. 206 Ruling

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – House Speaker-elect J.D. Mesnard and Senate President-elect Steve Yarbrough, along with the Office of Strategic Planning & Budgeting, today submitted an amicus curiae brief urging the Arizona Supreme Court to stay the implementation of Prop. 206 until the Court can rule on its constitutionality.

**"Arizona voters approved a constitutional amendment in 2004 requiring that future initiatives with a budgetary impact include a dedicated funding source, and both lawmakers and voters deserve clarity on how Prop. 206 can be constitutional without one,"** said Mesnard. **"In the meantime, given that the immediate impact to the general fund will cost the taxpayers millions of dollars, maintaining the status quo until the Court can make a ruling will minimize Prop. 206's disruption on the state budget process and the economy."**

Speaker-elect Mesnard and President-elect Yarbrough submitted the brief in their capacity as incoming leaders of the State Legislature.

[A copy of the brief can be found here.](#)

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