

ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting

August 19, 2020

12:00 P.M. (Noon), HHR 1 for members. This meeting will be held via teleconference software. Members of the public may access a livestream of the meeting here:
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Members Present:

Senator Karen Fann, Vice-Chair	Representative Russell "Rusty" Bowers, Chairman, 2020
Senator Sine Kerr	Representative Thomas "T.J." Shope Jr.
Senator Martin Quezada	Representative Athena Salman

Staff:

Mike Braun, Executive Director, Legislative Council
Ken Behringer, General Counsel, Legislative Council

Chairman Bowers called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and attendance was taken.

Representative Bowers made opening remarks.

Mike Braun, Executive Director, Legislative Council, explained the purpose of the meeting.

Revision of Ballot Analysis Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 19-124: I-31-2020 - Invest in Education Act

Mr. Braun explained the parts of the Staff Draft analysis that was adopted by Legislative Council on July 23, 2020 that were challenged in court and explained the courts decisions. Mr. Braun distributed and explained a revised copy of the Staff Draft analysis that incorporates the courts judgement for the Invest in Education Act (Attachment A).

Andy Gaona, Coppersmith Brockelman Law Offices, testified in support of the revised Staff Draft analysis, however, would prefer the section regarding the Proposition 105 protections be removed.

Senator Fann moved the adoption of the revised Staff Draft analysis as prepared by Legislative Council. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 5-1-0 (Attachment 1).

Senator Quezada and Representative Salman explained their votes.

**Revision of Ballot Analysis Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 19-124:
I-32-2020 - Second Chances, Rehabilitation, and Public Safety Act**

Mr. Braun explained the parts of the Staff Draft analysis that was adopted by Legislative Council on July 23, 2020 that were challenged in court and explained the courts decisions. Mr. Braun distributed and explained a revised copy of the Staff Draft analysis that incorporates the courts judgement for the Second Chances, Rehabilitation, and Public Safety Act (Attachment B).

Andy Gaona, Coppersmith Brockelman Law Offices, testified in support of the revised Staff Draft analysis, however, would prefer the section regarding the Proposition 105 protections be removed.

Senator Fann moved the adoption of the revised Staff Draft analysis as prepared by Legislative Council. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 5-1-0 (Attachment 2).

Senator Quezada explained his vote.

**Revision of Ballot Analysis Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 19-124:
I-24-2020 - Stop Surprise Billing and Protect Patients Act**

Mr. Braun explained the parts of the Staff Draft analysis that was adopted by Legislative Council on July 23, 2020 that were challenged in court and explained the courts decisions. Mr. Braun distributed and explained a revised copy of the Staff Draft analysis that incorporates the courts judgement for the Stop Surprise Billing and Protect Patients Act (Attachment C). Mr. Braun answered questions posed by the Committee.

Jim Barton, Torres Law Group, Arizonans for Failing Healthcare, testified in support of the revised Staff Draft analysis.

Senator Fann moved the adoption of the revised Staff Draft analysis as prepared by Legislative Council. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 6-0-0 (Attachment 3).

Representative Bowers explained his vote.

**Revision of Ballot Analysis, Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 19-124:
I-23-2020 - Smart and Safe Arizona Act**

Mr. Braun explained that the Smart and Safe Arizona Act was not challenged in court. However, Legislative Council staff prepared a revised analysis for the analysis of I-23-2020 that was adopted by Legislative Council on July 23, 2020 to conform with the previously discussed court orders for I-31-2020 and I-32-2020 with regards to the Proposition 105 protections (Attachment D).

Andy Gaona, Coppersmith Brockelman Law Offices, testified in support of the revised Staff Draft analysis, however, would prefer the section regarding the Proposition 105 protections be removed. Mr. Gaona answered questions posed by the Committee.

Senator Fann moved the adoption of the revised Staff Draft analysis as prepared by Legislative Council. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 4-2-0 (Attachment 4).

Senators Quezada, Fann and Representatives Salman, Shope and Bowers explained their votes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Ponce
Committee Secretary
Audio and Video Transcription

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