



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2498

COVID-19; vaccination requirements; prohibition

Purpose

Prohibits the state or any political subdivision that receives or uses tax revenues (governmental entity) from requiring an Arizona resident to receive a vaccination for COVID-19 or any variant of COVID-19.

Background

On April 19, 2021, the Governor issued an Executive Order prohibiting a state agency, county, city, town or other political subdivision from adopting any order, policy, regulation, ordinance or other measure that requires an individual to provide documentation regarding the individual's COVID-19 vaccination status as a condition of: 1) entering any building, business, facility, location, park or other space; or 2) receiving any service, permit, license or other work authorization requirement ([Executive Order 2021-09](#)).

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

Provisions

1. Prohibits a governmental entity from requiring an Arizona resident to receive a vaccination for COVID-19 or any variant of COVID-19.
2. Exempts a health care institution that is owned or operated by a governmental entity.
3. Defines *governmental entity*.
4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

House Action

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