

REFERENCE TITLE: study committee; county boundaries

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SB 1299

Introduced by
Senator Rogers

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE JOINT STUDY COMMITTEE ON COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Joint study committee on county boundaries;
3 membership; duties; report; delayed repeal

4 A. The joint study committee on county boundaries is established
5 consisting of the following members:

6 1. Three members of the senate who are appointed by the president
7 of the senate, not more than two of whom are members of the same political
8 party.

9 2. Three members of the house of representatives who are appointed
10 by the speaker of the house of representatives, not more than two of whom
11 are members of the same political party.

12 3. Three public members who are appointed by the president of the
13 senate and who are knowledgeable about county boundaries and fiscal and
14 other problems that currently exist or may exist in the future in counties
15 as a result of county boundary changes.

16 4. Three public members who are appointed by the speaker of the
17 house of representatives and who are knowledgeable about county boundaries
18 and fiscal and other problems that currently exist or may exist in the
19 future in counties as a result of county boundary changes.

20 5. One member who is appointed by the governor.

21 B. A majority of the members of the committee constitutes a quorum.
22 The committee shall elect one member of the committee as chairperson. The
23 committee shall meet at any place deemed necessary or convenient by the
24 chairperson.

25 C. The committee shall:

26 1. Research and report on the fiscal and related impacts of a
27 change in the county boundary lines of Navajo and Apache counties to
28 create an additional county to be named sitgreaves county.

29 2. On or before June 30, 2023, submit a report of its findings and
30 recommendations to the governor, the president of the senate and the
31 speaker of the house of representatives and shall provide a copy of this
32 report to the secretary of state.

33 D. The committee may use the services of legislative staff to
34 provide necessary administrative and operational services.

35 E. On request of the committee, an agency of this state or a
36 political subdivision of this state shall provide the committee with its
37 services, equipment, documents, personnel and facilities to the extent
38 possible without cost to the committee.

39 F. This section is repealed from and after September 30, 2024.