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## **SB 1522**

Introduced by  
Senators Hatathlie: Epstein, Fernandez, Miranda

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-1363, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 41-1363, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 41-1363. Monuments and memorials within governmental mall;  
5 legislative authorization; approval; procedure;  
6 flags

7 A. Notwithstanding section 34-225 or any other law, a monument or  
8 memorial recognizing or honoring a person, group, entity or event shall be  
9 located in the governmental mall only if a prior legislative act  
10 authorizes the monument or memorial.

11 B. After legislative authorization, a monument or memorial may be  
12 established by the following procedures:

13 1. The proponents shall submit a concept to the legislative council  
14 for the design, dimensions and location of the monument or memorial.

15 2. The legislative council shall review the concept and determine  
16 the most appropriate location that highlights the monument or memorial and  
17 preserves the integrity of the governmental mall.

18 3. After recommendations from the historical advisory commission  
19 regarding the historical integrity of the monument or memorial and after  
20 any necessary negotiations with the proponents, the legislative council  
21 shall approve the final design, dimensions, location and maintenance  
22 requirements of the monument or memorial, the minimum dollar amount  
23 required for deposit in the state monument and memorial repair fund  
24 established by section 41-1365 and any statement, declaration, writing or  
25 inscription that will be imprinted or stamped on the monument or memorial.

26 4. Before construction of the monument or memorial begins, the  
27 proponents shall enter into a contract with the legislative council  
28 specifying the conditions of the design, dimensions and location of the  
29 monument or memorial, a list of the artists, contractors and  
30 subcontractors that will be employed, the minimum dollar amount required  
31 for deposit in the state monument and memorial repair fund established by  
32 section 41-1365 and a verification that all employees for the project are  
33 insured and that this state is indemnified against any liability in regard  
34 to the construction.

35 5. An approved monument or memorial shall be completed and  
36 dedicated to this state within two years after the effective date of the  
37 legislative act authorizing the monument or memorial.

38 C. Except as otherwise provided in this section or section 41-1365,  
39 all fundraising and the establishment and administration of a fund for  
40 deposit of monies and contracts for artistic design and construction of  
41 the monument or memorial are the sole responsibility of the proponents.

42 D. If the completed monument or memorial deviates from the final  
43 design or dimension that was approved by the legislative council or any  
44 statement, declaration, writing or inscription that is imprinted or  
45 stamped on the monument or memorial deviates from that which was approved

1 by the legislative council, the proponents are responsible for any costs  
2 incurred to conform the monument or memorial to the approved form.

3 E. The proponents shall collect an amount equal to at least ten  
4 percent of the artistic design and construction costs of the monument or  
5 memorial or the amount approved by the legislative council as provided in  
6 subsection B of this section. The legislative council shall deposit these  
7 monies in the state monument and memorial repair fund established by  
8 section 41-1365 for the maintenance, repair, reconditioning or relocation  
9 of that monument or memorial. The monies must be deposited in the fund  
10 before ~~the~~ beginning ~~of~~ construction of the monument or memorial.

11 F. The legislative council may relocate monuments or memorials that  
12 are located in the governmental mall.

13 G. THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHALL PLACE IN WESLEY BOLIN PLAZA THE  
14 OFFICIAL FLAGS OF THE TWENTY-TWO FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBES IN THIS  
15 STATE.

16 ~~G.~~ H. This section does not apply to monuments or memorials in  
17 which a political subdivision has a contractual interest and that are  
18 located in the governmental mall but that are outside Wesley Bolin plaza.