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**Arizona House of Representatives**

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## Representative Barbara Parker Protects Basic Constitutional Rights with Bill to Hold Homeowner Associations Accountable

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – In what can be described as a major win for property rights, legislation sponsored by Arizona State Representative Barbara Parker was signed into law by the Governor. [HB 2607](#) empowers homeowners to hold non-compliant boards more accountable to those they are supposed to serve.

Under the new law, if the board of a condominium unit owners' association, or a planned community association, fails to call a special meeting to remove a board member after the requirements are met, then the members of the board are deemed removed from office effective midnight of the 31<sup>st</sup> day. It further deems the board members removed from office if the board fails to call, notice, and hold a special meeting after the requirements for calling a meeting to remove a board member are met.

### Statement from Representative Barbara Parker:

“It is no accident that a nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to justice for all protects property rights. America’s Founders understood clearly that private property is the foundation not only of prosperity but of freedom itself and included these protections in the due process clauses of both the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. This timely bill was entirely constituent driven, and it was an honor working with the true stakeholders, the homeowners themselves. State law was failing a resident’s ability to fight back against rogue boards. It has become a true ‘We the People’ victory and I could not be more honored to serve Arizona citizens. Now they can exercise their constitutional liberties to hold unresponsive boards and complicit property management associations accountable when they fail to comply with the law.

“The purpose of homeowner associations (HOA) was to bring together an association of neighbors to protect and preserve the people’s property and build a sense of community spirit. However, some bad actors have swung the pendulum back to the days of 12<sup>th</sup> century fiefdoms when overlords punished and abused their citizens. Homeowners had no recourse, other than try to sue deep pocketed Goliaths who can use the people’s own HOA dues against them and even foreclose! HOA boards and property managers need to serve the homeowners they represent, follow the law, and do their jobs.”

*Barbara R. Parker is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 10 in Northeast Mesa and Apache Junction.*

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