



2021 Approved County Government Platform

Fiscal Measures

1. **SB1303 Adult Jail Education Funding Boyer (SB1393 last session)** – Increase funding for the education of young adults in the jail system who do not have a GED or high school diploma.
2. **HB2141 Diversion Funding Pratt (HB2414 last session)** – Create a 3-year, statewide pilot program for diversion programs in all 15 counties. The program will require approximately \$11 million each year for the three years.
3. **HB2189 Re-entry Funding Pratt (HB2422 last session)** – Creates a 3-year, statewide pilot program for re-entry programming in all 15 county jail systems. The program will require approximately \$8 million each year for three years.
4. **Disabled Veteran Exemption Kaiser (SB1575 last session)** – Refer to voters a constitutional change to re-authorize the veteran's property tax exemption after it was struck down in 1989 because it had a residency requirement. The exemption includes low-income qualifications.

Efficiency Measures

5. **Election Omnibus Shope (Parts of HB2364 last session [and new items](#))** –
 - a. During the 2019 legislative session, the Primary date was moved along with relevant related dates. A few dates were missed and need to be updated to conform;
 - b. Allow the 20% random sample for party recognition procedures to apply to all levels (currently only at the state level);
 - c. (new) Adjust the date that publicity pamphlet arguments are due to conform to the new primary date;
 - d. (new) Establish an official beginning day and time to file as a write in candidate for partisan and non-partisan elections;
 - e. (new) Extend the date for AZSOS to canvass by one additional week to the 3rd Monday after the Primary Election instead of the current 2nd Monday after election. Allow County BOS 14 days after the election to canvass;
 - f. (new) Clarify that regardless of which precinct they work in as poll workers in, the poll worker must be registered to vote in Arizona.
6. **HB2314 Remove Presidential Elector Names from Ballot Kavanagh** – Remove the list of presidential electors that appears on the General Election ballot, therefore shortening the length of the ballot.

7. **HB2315 E-Equal School Board Candidates** **Kavanagh** – Allow school board candidates to use the E-Equal system to collect signatures.
8. **HB2019 School Superintendent Omnibus** **Udall** –
 - a. Provide an option for a 5-member school board, to go back down to three if needed;
 - b. Establish a one-year residency requirement for community college and CTED board members to match the requirement that other governing board members have;
9. **HB2460 Expanded Settings for County Detention Officers Serving Warrants** **Payne** (SB1141 last session) – Expand the settings in which a county detention officer may execute an arrest warrant outside of the jail facility to a hospital and courtroom under specified circumstances.
10. **SB1279 ADE Data Access** **Pace** (SB1209 last session) – Allow county School Superintendents to directly access student data from ADE.
11. **Property Tax Deferral Statute Clean-up** **Shope** – Increase income and property value limits to expand deferral program applicability.
12. **Special District Refund Clean-Up** **Gowan** – Modify statute to provide counties with procedural clarity regarding incorrect payments to special districts based on inaccurate ADOR data.
13. **Short-Term Rental Commercial Definition** (SB1490 last session) – Establish a commercial definition of short-term vacation rentals to provide clear guidance for Assessors to equitably and accurately classify these types of properties.

Public Safety/Criminal Justice Measures

14. **Fentanyl Dealers** - **Pratt** (HB2036 last session) – Modifies statutes related to fentanyl dealing, specifically lowering the number of pills necessary to be convicted of a felony.
15. **HB2334 Incompetent and Non-Restorable** - **Pratt** (HB2581 last session) – Establishes a procedure to deal with those persons found to pose a threat to public safety as concluded by a psychological evaluation conducted by a mental health professional and incapable of restoration to competency for standing trial for charges of criminal offenses.
16. **Sex Offender Registration** - **Ugenti-Rita** (SB1172 last session) – Clarify requirements related to sex offender registration to ensure homeless offenders notify law enforcement of that status, confirm that homeless status every 45 days, and report any vehicles regularly used by the offender.
17. **HB2075 Fingerprinting** - **Pratt** – Amend A.R.S. 13-607 to allow for the taking of “remote” fingerprints from defendants at a sentencing hearing.

18. HB2162 Class 6 Open Designation Blackman – Allow for defendants who plead guilty to a Class 6 felony to be treated as if they have a misdemeanor for the purposes of opening up job and housing opportunities.