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2023 GENERAL LEGISLATION:

HB 2144: open meetings; capacity; posting; violation:

Summary: Requires all public bodies to provide sufficient seating to accommodate the anticipated attendance of the deliberations and proceedings of a public body. Requires the agenda of the public meeting to include notice of the time that the public will have physical access to the meeting place. Exempts agendas of meetings through technological devices from providing the time the public will have physical access to the meeting place.

HB 2145: dude ranches; historical markers:

Summary: Requires the Arizona Historical Society to use Permanent Arizona Historical Society Revolving Fund monies to issue historical markers to dude ranches in the Arizona Dude Ranch Heritage Trail Program and appropriates \$75,000 from the state General Fund to the society for this purpose.

HB 2374: state lake improvement fund; appropriation:

Summary: Appropriates \$2,000,000 from the State Parks Revenue Fund and \$3,000,000 from the state General Fund to the Arizona State Parks Board for operating costs and limits the amount of annually deposited State Lake Improvement Fund monies that can be used for staff support and fund administration.

HB 2505: outdoor recreation coordinating commission; continuation:

Summary: Continues the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission for 8 years.

HB 2506: Arizona state parks board; continuation:

Summary: Continues the Arizona State Parks Board for 8 years.

HB 2518: appropriation; Glassford Dells regional park:

Summary: Appropriates \$3,500,000 from the General Fund to the Arizona State Parks Board in FY 2024. Directs the Arizona State Parks Board to evenly distribute this appropriation to the City of Prescott and the Town of Prescott Valley for the Glassford Dells Regional Park if these municipalities and Yavapai County jointly show that they have at least \$3,500,000 in commitments of matching monies from sources other than the State of Arizona.



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HB 2670: state agencies; veterans' status; inquiry:

Summary: Requires all agencies to ask every individual at the initial point of service, and print on each application form, the following question: Have you or a family member ever served in the military? Directs the agency to provide individuals who did serve in the military with a website address and contact information for ADVS and the Be Connected Program.

HB 2806: state parks heritage fund; appropriation:

Summary: Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the state General Fund in FY 2024 to the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund.

SB 1166: public employers; postsecondary degree requirements:

Summary: Effective January 1, 2024, prohibits a public employer from rejecting an applicant solely for not having a postsecondary degree, except on a clear demonstration the degree is necessary.

SB 1224: state parks; lottery; heritage fund:

Summary: Requires \$10,000,000 to be deposited into the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund annually from the State Lottery Fund after preceding distributions are satisfied.

SB 1239: state agencies; payments; cryptocurrency:

Summary: Effective January 1, 2024, allows a state agency to enter into an agreement with a cryptocurrency issuer to accept cryptocurrency as a method of payment for any amount due to the state agency or the state. Allows tax payments to be made in cryptocurrency if the Arizona Department of Revenue enters into an agreement with a cryptocurrency issuer to accept cryptocurrency as a method of payment.

SB 1392: appropriation; state park; Verde River:

Summary: Appropriates an unspecified amount from the state General Fund in FY 2024 to the Arizona State Parks Board to establish a state park at the headwaters of the Verde River.

SB 1393: off-highway vehicle user fee:

Summary: Requires the Director of ADOT to deposit 30 percent of collected user fees in the Off-Highway Vehicle Law Enforcement Safety Fund, rather than the Arizona Highway User Revenue Fund. Establishes the Off-Highway Vehicle Law Enforcement Safety Fund consisting of off-



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highway vehicle user fees, legislative appropriations, federal grants and private gifts. Requires the State Treasurer to administer the Fund and make monthly distributions to the county sheriffs' offices solely for off-highway vehicle purposes in the following percentages: a) 3 percent to Apache County; b) 4 percent to Cochise County; c) 18 percent to Coconino County; d) 5 percent to Gila County; e) 3 percent Graham County; f) 3 percent to Greenlee County; g) 4 percent to La Paz County; h) 11 percent to Maricopa County; i) 12 percent to Mohave County; j) 4 percent to Navajo County; k) 5 percent to Pima County; l) 9 percent to Pinal County; m) 3 percent to Santa Cruz County; n) 13 percent to Yavapai County; and o) 3 percent to Yuma County. Restricts a vehicle that is not an off-highway vehicle, rather than a vehicle that meets the equipment requirements for highway use, from being registered for both resident off-highway use and highway use. Specifies that a resident or nonresident off-highway vehicle user indicia must be valid for a person to operate an all-terrain or off-highway vehicle. Requires interest earned on Fund monies to be credited to the Fund.

SB 1694: public monies; ideology training; prohibition:

Summary: Prohibits a public entity from requiring and spending public monies on a diversity, equity and inclusion program and allows an employee who is required to participate in the program to bring action against the public entity. Prohibits a public entity from entering into a contract with a company that participates in a diversity, equity and inclusion program.

SB 1714: appropriation; Arizona trail fund:

Summary: Appropriates \$250,000 from the state General Fund (state GF) in FY 2024 to the Arizona Trail Fund.