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## SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION 55<sup>TH</sup> 2<sup>ND</sup> REGULAR SESSION:

### [HB 2038: state lake improvement fund:](#)

**Summary:** Allows not more than 10% of monies to be deposited in the fund to fund staff support to plan and administer the fund. Removes the language to allow for monies to be used for administrative tasks and recreation plans of the board. Adds that monies in fund must be used also for water search and rescue operations.

The bill passed out of the House Appropriations Committee on January 19, 2022.

### [HB 2130: recreational users; property:](#)

**Summary:** States that a landowner, easement holder, lessee, tenant manager or occupant of private or public land does not owe a duty of care to keep the land safe for entry by others for recreational or educational purposes or to give any warning of a dangerous condition, use, structure or activity on that land to persons entering for those purposes. Installing a sign or other form of warning of a dangerous condition, use, structure or activity, or any modification made for the purpose of improving the safety of others, or failing to maintain or keep in place any sign, other form of warning or any modification made to improve safety does not create liability on the part of an owner, easement holder, lessee, tenant manager or occupant of land if there is no other basis for that liability.

This bill passed out of the House Land, Agriculture, & Water Committee on January 31, 2022.

### [HB 2371: state agencies; cash payment; acceptance:](#)

**Summary:** Requires that each state agency or authorized agent of a state agency must accept cash and money orders to pay any amount due to that agency or agent or this state.

This bill passed out of the House Government Committee on February 2, 2022.

### [HB 2398: Arizona dude ranches; historic designation:](#)

**Summary:** Establishes the Arizona Dude Ranch Heritage Trail Program. Authorizes the Parks Board to designate a dude ranch for inclusion in this program if it meets all specified criteria. Instructs the Board to decide on designation within 30 days of receiving an application. Directs the Board, in collaboration with the largest dude ranch or guest ranch association, to create signs and indicia a ranch can use to identify and promote its designation. Requires the applicant to pay for the cost of designing and creating the plaque. Stipulates that the Board allow additions or modifications to a designated dude ranch if its original character is preserved. Creates the Arizona Dude Ranch Heritage Trail, which consists of designated dude ranches. Requires the Board to produce marketing and promotional materials to map designated dude ranches.



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The bill passed out of the Land, Agriculture, & Water Committee February 7, 2022.

## **HB 2412: open meetings; digital recordings:**

**Summary:** Requires all meetings of a public body to post on their website the minutes and digital recording of each meeting no later than 5 working days after the meeting. The minutes and digital recording should stay up for three years on the website.

This bill passed out of the House Government Committee on February 2, 2022.

## **HB 2453: governmental entities; mask requirement; prohibition:**

**Summary:** States that a governmental entity may not impose any requirement to wear a mask or face covering anywhere on the governmental entity's premises, except where long-standing workplace safety and infection control measures that are unrelated to covid-19 may be required.

This bill passed out of House Government committee on February 2, 2022.

## **HB 2498: COVID-19; vaccination requirements; prohibition:**

**Summary:** States that a government entity may not require a resident of this state to receive a vaccination for covid-19 or any variant of covid-19.

This bill passed out of House Government committee on February 2, 2022.

## **HB 2587: public records; point of contact:**

**Summary:** States that any entity that is subject to a public records request shall provide the name, telephone number and email address of the employee who is authorized and able to provide the information requested. This information shall be made available to the public on the website maintained by the entity. An employee who is authorized and able to provide information requested shall reply within five business days acknowledging receipt of the request.

This bill passed out of the House Government committee on February 2, 2022.

## **HB 2611: vaccinations; masks; requirements; enforcement prohibition:**

**Summary:** States that any governmental entity or any person doing business in this state may not enforce on a student without parental consent or on an employee any requirement that the person receive a vaccination for covid-19 or any variant of covid-19 or wear a mask. A person who violates this section is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

## **HB 2753: executive session; public meetings:**



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**Summary:** States that if an executive session is scheduled, a notice of the executive session shall state the provision of law authorizing the executive session and, in the case of legal advice, shall include the specific provision of 25 section 38-431.03 to which the legal advice pertains, and the notice shall be provided to the: 1. Members of the public body. 2. General public.

### **HB 2760: historic preservation; tax credit:**

**Summary:** States that the Arizona state parks board shall receive applications and evaluate and certify the substantial rehabilitation of a certified historic structure for the purpose of income tax credits. (Lengthy Bill)

### **HB 2789: Arizona trail fund; purpose:**

**Summary:** Requires the Arizona state parks board shall administer the Arizona trail fund and the monies in the fund are continuously appropriated for the sole purpose purposes of constructing, maintaining and preserving the Arizona trail, including constructing, maintaining and improving water sources, signs, gates and public access.

### **HB 2831: state parks fees; exemptions:**

**Summary:** Requires a person who is an enrolled member of a federally recognized Indian tribe located wholly or partially in this state is exempt from admission fees, camping permit fees and park service fees of any state park.

### **HCR 2019: Arizona's get outdoors initiative:**

**Summary:** Requires Members of the Legislature to recognize that it is critical for the physical, mental and social well-being of Arizona's residents that the state promote healthy, active lifestyles filled with outdoor experiences of all types for Arizona residents, while respecting private property rights, etc.

### **SB 1270: state parks; lottery; heritage fund:**

**Summary:** States that out of the money remaining in the state lottery fund each fiscal year after appropriations and deposits, beginning in fiscal year 2023-2024 and each year thereafter, \$3,000,000 shall be deposited in the Arizona state parks heritage fund.

This bill passed out of the Senate Appropriations committee on February 1, 2022.

### **SB 1298: governmental mask mandate; prohibition:**

**Summary:** States that a governmental entity may not impose any requirement to wear a mask or face covering anywhere on the governmental entity's premises, except where long-standing workplace safety and infection control measures that are unrelated to covid-19 may be required.

### **SB: 1346: state employees; vaccination inquiries; prohibited:**



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**Summary:** States that any state agency or any contractor for this state may not send its employees to inquire about a person's vaccination status on a door-to-door basis.

## **SB 1377: Off-highway vehicles; fund:**

**Summary:** States that the Arizona state parks board shall spend fifty percent of the monies in the off-highway vehicle recreation fund for the following purposes: Not more than ten percent to fund staff support to plan and administer the off-highway vehicle recreation fund. Any designation or acquisition of land must be approved at a public meeting of the Arizona state parks board. At least ten percent for enforcement of off-highway vehicle laws. At least ten percent for state land lessee impacts.

Adds that in determining the amount of monies for eligible projects, the Arizona state parks board shall give preference to applications for projects that address impacts to state land lessees, for nonfederal projects, for projects where federal entities work with state and local entities.

Requires each agency to report the number and status of off-highway vehicle injury claims filed in the annual report. All off-highway vehicle operators and passengers assume all risks of personal injury or death associated with recreational use on public, state or private land. landowners and their authorized lessees do not have a duty to keep lands safe for entry and use by recreational users or to warn of or maintain lands and trails against unsafe conditions.

This bill passed the Senate Appropriations committee on February 8, 2022.

## **SB 1405: state parks board; volunteers; fingerprinting:**

**Summary:** Allows the Arizona state parks board to require volunteers who collect fees or interact with children or vulnerable adults within a state park to submit a full set of fingerprints to the board for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal record check.

Allows the Department of Public Safety to exchange this fingerprint data with the FBI.

This bill passed the Senate Natural Resources, Energy & Water committee on February 2, 2022.

## **SB 1414: vaccine requirements; employers; prohibition:**

**Summary:** States that any government entity or any person doing business in this state may not require an employee to receive a vaccination for covid-19 or any variant of covid-19.

## **SB 1558: appropriation; Little Colorado visitor center:**

**Summary:** Appropriates \$1,000,000 from the state general fund in fiscal year 2022-2023 to the Arizona state parks board to distribute to Navajo county to construct a Little Colorado River visitor center.

## **SB 1559: state parks; heritage fund; lottery:**



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**Summary:** States that out of the money remaining in the state lottery fund each fiscal year after appropriations and deposits, beginning in fiscal year 2023-2024 and each year thereafter, \$10,000,000 shall be deposited in the Arizona state parks heritage fund.

### **SB 1596: off-highway vehicles:**

**Summary:** States that the ohv decal fee shall be reduced as prescribed by the director of the department of transportation in cooperation with the director of the Arizona game and fish department and the Arizona state parks board if the person completes the educational course of instruction in off-highway vehicle safety and environmental ethics and provides proof to the department of transportation of the completion. Before a person may rent an off-highway vehicle to a customer, the person must provide the customer with off-highway vehicle safety and environmental educational materials that are approved by the Arizona game and fish department.

### **SB 1670: state agencies; tribal liaison:**

**Summary:** States that the Governor shall require all state agencies in this state to employ a tribal liaison from a recognized tribe in this state to represent and facilitate communications between each state agency and tribal communities in this state.

### **SCR 1010: Arizona's outdoors; recreation; supporting:**

**Summary:** Requires Members of the Legislature to recognize that it is critical for the physical, mental and social well-being of Arizona's residents that the state promote healthy, active lifestyles filled with outdoor experiences of all types for Arizona residents, while respecting private property rights, etc.

This bill passed the Senate Natural Resources, Energy, & Water committee on January 26, 2022. It also passed out of the Senate Floor. Was sent to the House chamber.