

WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Arizona Transit Association

February 1, 2008

Transportation Mode Delineation Bill Not Heard in House Transportation Committee

HB 2091, relating to transportation mode delineation, was held in the House Committee on Transportation.

AzTA, in conjunction with business and municipal interests, worked to develop significant opposition to the legislation. The legislation would have required separate votes on each transportation mode on any transportation related election, thereby jeopardizing the ability to develop a balanced transportation plan on either a regional or statewide basis that could be successful at the ballot.

A Preview for the Week Ahead

Based on a review of the agendas for both the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, there is no public transportation related legislation scheduled for the week of February 4th.

Comments

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LEGISLATIVE TRACKING REPORT

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BILL	TITLE	SPONSORS	SUMMARY	HOUSE COMMITTEES	SENATE COMMITTEES	ACTION
HB 2043	air quality; idling; study committee	Robson	As introduced, establishes a 13 member Vehicle Idling Study Committee to consider the issues involved in developing a program to reduce the amount of pollution caused by unnecessary diesel engine idling. The Committee is required to examine possible measures relating to cars, buses, trucks and mobile equipment. The Committee is repealed on October 1, 2009.	Environment, Rules		committee assignment, 1/14
HB 2049	ADOT rule revisions	McClure	As introduced, removes the ability for the State Transportation Board to adopt rules relating to priority programs, construction contracts, revenue bonds and local government airport grants. Removes the ability for the director of ADOT to adopt rules for the application for and the expenditure of all public transit monies and rules for the expenditure of monies in the State Highway Fund. Repeals statutes relating to the Vehicle Equipment Safety Compact.	Transportation, Rules		committee assignment, 1/14
HB 2091	transportation plans; ballot; mode delineation	Biggs (8)	As introduced, requires any state or county transportation plan that appears on a ballot and that asks for voter approval of more than one mode of transportation, to be written to delineate the following: each proposed transportation mode, the cost for each of the proposed modes, and A "Yes" or "No" vote for each of the proposed modes.	Transportation, Rules		held, Transportation, 1/31



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HB 2094	highway project advancement notes	Biggs	As introduced, allows a county to issue highway project advancement notes (HPAN). Redefines "highway project" to include a highway project that is included in the transportation improvement plan of a regional association of governments. Allows a political subdivision to issue HPANs in excess of the aggregate of uncollected highway project advance revenues due to the political subdivision if the political subdivision has pledged another source of revenue to cover the excess amount. Raises the HPAN cap from \$100 million to \$300 million.	Transportation, Counties and Municipalities, Rules		passed, Transportation, 1/31
HB 2133	transportation districts	Rios P	As introduced, states if after January 1, 2009, a county attains a population of 500,000 or more, a new transportation district will be formed consisting of that county.	Transportation, Ways and Means, Rules		committee assignment, 1/22
HB 2164	regional transportation authorities	Prezelski (2)	As introduced, allows a transportation authority to be established in any county that is a member of a regional council of governments. Allows a regional transportation authority to levy a transportation excise tax if approved in a county wide election.	Transportation, Counties and Municipalities, Rules		committee assignment, 1/16
HB 2665	development fees; public transportation	Farley (7)	As introduced, allows a county or a municipality to assess development fees to offset the costs of public transportation.			awaiting committee assignment
HCR 2001	highway user revenue fund uses	Chad Campbell	As introduced, subject to voter approval at the next general election, amends the state constitution to state that HURF revenues shall be used for "transportation" purposes instead of "highway and street" purposes.	Transportation, CMMA, Rules		committee assignment, 1/14
SB 1039	HOV lanes; restricted hours	Harper	As introduced, codifies in statute the HOV restricted times - between 5 and 9 am and between 3 and 7 pm.		Transportation, Rules	committee assignment, 1/14
SB 1041	HOV lane usage; hybrids	Harper	As introduced, allows hybrid vehicles in HOV lanes if the vehicle has at least 45% fuel efficiency in combined city-highway fuel economy.		Transportation, Rules	committee assignment, 1/14

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SB 1042	toll roads; ADOT; private entity	Harper	As introduced, requires ADOT to issue an RFP for Construction of a toll road beginning at the Loop 303 and 75th avenue and ending in Prescott by December 31. 2009. ADOT must award the contract by the end of 2010. Removes the requirement that a reasonable alternative route must exist.		Transportation, Rules	committee assignment, 1/14
SB 1204	state transportation board; tribal representation	Hale (30)	As introduced, adds a representative of a tribal government to the State Transportation Board.			committee assignment, 1/28
SB 1220	public transportation authorities	Johnson	As introduced, removes the requirement that the boards of intergovernmental public transportation authorities initiate proceedings to determine the application of federal voting laws to the authority and that the board take any necessary action to comply with the applicable federal law.			committee assignment, 1/28
SB 1276	transportation financing; revenue anticipation bon	Huppenthal	As introduced, Establishes the transportation finance committee that may recommend to the state transportation board the source of taxation to secure payment of revenue anticipation bonds. Allows the Board to issue such bonds that are secured by the Board based on recommendation of the finance committee and may be authorized in an aggregate principal amount of not more than \$20 billion. States requirements for the bonds, their payment and their proceeds. States the proceeds shall be used for corridors with high traffic volume, improvements on highways, improvements on city streets, a mass transit method, and for a public bidding process in specified amounts for each.		Transportation, Finance, Rules	committee assignment, 1/31