



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Location: Citizens Clean Elections Commission

1616 West Adams, Suite 110

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Date: Thursday, May 19, 2022

Time: 9:30 a. m.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the Commissioners of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission and the general public that the Citizens Clean Elections Commission will hold a regular meeting, which is open to the public on May 19, 2022. This meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Citizens Clean Elections Commission, 1616 West Adams, Suite 110, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. The meeting may be available for live streaming online at <https://www.youtube.com/c/AZCCEC/live>. You can also visit <https://www.azcleanelections.gov/clean-elections-commission-meetings>. Members of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission will attend either in person or by telephone, video, or internet conferencing. **This meeting will be held virtually.** Instructions on how the public may participate in this meeting are below. For additional information, please call (602) 364-3477 or contact Commission staff at ceec@azcleanelections.gov.

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The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- I. Call to Order.
- II. Discussion and Possible Action on Commission Minutes for March 24, 2022.
- III. Discussion and Possible Action on Executive Director's Report, Enforcement and Regulatory Updates and Legislative Update.
- IV. Discussion and possible action on legislative bills on the topics of elections, voting, administration, campaign finance.
- V. Presentation on election security and recognition and appreciation to Ken Matta, former SOS Chief Election Security Officer.
- VI. Public Comment
This is the time for consideration of comments and suggestions from the public. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date or responding to criticism
- VII. Adjournment.
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Dated this 17th day of May, 2022

Citizens Clean Elections Commission

Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director

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CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

Phoenix, Arizona

March 24, 2022

9:30 a.m.

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<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>1 VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING, BEFORE THE CITIZENS CLEAN 2 ELECTIONS COMMISSION, convened at 9:30 a.m. on March 24, 3 2022, in the presence of the following Board members: 4 Mr. Damien Meyer, Chairman 5 Mr. Mark S. Kimble 6 Mr. Steve Titla 7 Mr. Galen Paton 8 Ms. Amy Chan 9 OTHERS PRESENT: 10 Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director 11 Paula Thomas, Executive Officer 12 Mike Becker, Policy Director 13 Gina Roberts, Voter Education Director 14 Avery Xola, Voter Education Specialist 15 Julian Arndt, Executive Support Specialist 16 Kara Karlson, Assistant Attorney General 17 Kyle Cummings, Assistant Attorney General 18 Patty Hansen, Coconino County Recorder 19 Monique Coady, Assistant Attorney General 20 Cathy Herring, KCA 21 Eric Sloan, Member of the public 22 Brian Stanley, Esq., Law Office of Brian K. Stanley 23 Bob Branch, The Power of Fives 24 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>1 P R O C E E D I N G 2 3 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Good morning, all. Damien Meyer, 4 I'm the chairperson this year for the Citizens Clean 5 Elections Commission; and we're going to go ahead and call 6 this meeting to order, which is the first item on our 7 agenda. It's 9:30 a.m., March 24, 2022. 8 I'd like to ask that audience members keep their 9 microphones on mute, please. 10 And with that, I'll take attendance of my fellow 11 Commissioners. Please identify yourselves for the record. 12 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Commissioner Kimble is here. 13 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Commissioner Chan is here, too. 14 COMMISSIONER PATON: Commissioner Paton. 15 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Commissioner Titla here. 16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: All right. We have all five 17 Commissioners here which is always a good thing. So, good 18 morning to all. 19 And then I'll move on to Agenda Item II, which is 20 discussion and possible action on Commission's minutes for 21 February 24, 2022. 22 Is there any discussion on the minutes; and if not, 23 do we have a motion to approve? 24 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Mr. Chairman, I move we approve 25 the minutes as written.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p>1 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. We have a motion from 2 Commissioner Chan. 3 Is there a second? 4 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Yeah, I second. Commissioner 5 Titla. 6 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Commissioner Titla. 7 All right. We have a motion to approve the 8 minutes. Let's go ahead and call the roll. 9 Commissioner Chan. 10 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I vote aye. 11 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Kimble. 12 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Aye. 13 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Paton. 14 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye. 15 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Titla. 16 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Aye. 17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: And I vote aye as well. 18 So the motion carries 5-0 approving the minutes for 19 the February 22 meeting. 20 And then we'll go to the third agenda item, which 21 is discussion and possible action on Executive Director's 22 report, enforcement and regulatory updates and legislative 23 updates. 24 Tom, I'm going to turn over to you to discuss the 25 report and then we'll entertain questions of the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>1 Commissioners. 2 MR. COLLINS: Yes, thank you, Mr. Chairman and 3 Commissioners. 4 I wanted to preview just real -- we'll have Patty 5 Hansen, who is the Coconino County Recorder, joining us 6 today on the next agenda item, so I'm going to move through 7 this relatively quickly to try to get it to that. 8 I think a couple of highlights. The next local 9 election is on May 17th, with early voting beginning on 10 April 20th. The candidate filing period -- the candidate 11 filing period began (technical disruption) -- 12 MS. HERRING: Tom, we lost your audio. 13 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yeah. 14 MS. HERRING: Tom, can you hear us? 15 MR. COLLINS: If people can't hear me I'm going to 16 need somebody to tell me. 17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Tom, we can't hear you. 18 MR. COLLINS: Okay. I don't know what to do with 19 my audio situation, so I will just -- I will say candidate 20 debates are starting, you can see the reports. If you have 21 questions I'm happy to answer them, but I won't belabor this 22 with my audio issues. 23 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Is there a debate actually 24 scheduled for the 19th of April or is that just when they 25 are eligible to begin being scheduled?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>1 MR. COLLINS: No, no. They -- they will begin at</p> <p>2 that time. The schedule has already been put together.</p> <p>3 Like I said -- well, you didn't hear obviously.</p> <p>4 The goal is to -- is to get to a place where we can get them</p> <p>5 all done before early voting begins, because we think that's</p> <p>6 the way to maximize the utility of the process. If Gina is</p> <p>7 there, she can probably answer more questions about debates</p> <p>8 than I can and probably doesn't have the audio issues.</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Your audio has actually been good</p> <p>10 the last minute or two, so.</p> <p>11 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Mr. Chairman?</p> <p>12 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Go ahead.</p> <p>13 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I just want to say I appreciate</p> <p>14 that goal and hopefully that's able to be done, that it's</p> <p>15 complete before early voting. I know personally I -- I</p> <p>16 actually consulted our debates when I was voting in</p> <p>17 different races if I wasn't familiar with the candidates, so</p> <p>18 that was -- I found it super helpful as a voter.</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>20 Any other comments or questions from the other</p> <p>21 Commissioners?</p> <p>22 And then, Tom, anything more to add on the</p> <p>23 Executive Director report?</p> <p>24 MR. COLLINS: You know, I -- hang on.</p> <p>25 Now that I've -- again, I -- I -- I -- I think, you</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>1 know, I think there's -- there -- the -- I mean, I think</p> <p>2 among the major issues, there is a case at the Arizona</p> <p>3 Supreme Court now involving whether or not to get rid of</p> <p>4 vote by mail; we don't know when that will be ruled on.</p> <p>5 We were, I guess, pleased to see that the -- some</p> <p>6 of the -- one of the amicus groups was -- incorporated some</p> <p>7 of the substance of our voter education efforts to try to</p> <p>8 explain how the timing of this lawsuit in addition to the</p> <p>9 merits is particularly problematic. And, you know,</p> <p>10 obviously the vote-by-mail balloting is something that</p> <p>11 voters in Arizona rely upon in -- as the vast majority of</p> <p>12 voters do.</p> <p>13 I think the other -- the other issue that I think</p> <p>14 is worth highlighting is that the State Senate subpoenaed</p> <p>15 additional records from the Maricopa County Elections</p> <p>16 Department and/or the Recorder's Office this week -- I guess</p> <p>17 directly to the Board of Supervisors, but related to a</p> <p>18 report that came out of their audit relating -- or their --</p> <p>19 their review that had to do with whether or not signatures</p> <p>20 are being properly matched by folks who are reviewing those</p> <p>21 early voting envelope affidavits.</p> <p>22 So as you all know, when you submit your mail</p> <p>23 ballot, you put the ballot in an envelope and sign that</p> <p>24 envelope stating, you know, essentially affirming who you</p> <p>25 are; that envelope is an affidavit, the signatures are</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>1 compared on that to the signatures on file with the County</p> <p>2 Recorder or through the state voter registration database.</p> <p>3 There was a -- the Senate had a review conducted by</p> <p>4 a contractor who looked at those signatures, compared</p> <p>5 them -- looked at a sample of those signatures and compared</p> <p>6 them initially to commercially available or publicly</p> <p>7 available signatures of, in theory, the same people.</p> <p>8 Elections experts are very skeptical of this mode of review,</p> <p>9 in part because (technical disruption) --</p> <p>10 CHAIRMAN MEYER: We lost you, Tom.</p> <p>11 Tom. We lost your audio there.</p> <p>12 "Election experts are skeptical of this review," I</p> <p>13 heard that.</p> <p>14 MR. COLLINS: I'm sorry, I didn't catch any of</p> <p>15 that.</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: You're back.</p> <p>17 I said the last thing I heard you say was "election</p> <p>18 experts are skeptical of this type of review."</p> <p>19 MR. COLLINS: Okay. Yeah, the -- yeah, they're</p> <p>20 not -- the -- the review didn't compare the signatures on</p> <p>21 file with the county, they compared the signatures to public</p> <p>22 databases (technical disruption) --</p> <p>23 CHAIRMAN MEYER: So we're losing Tom's audio again.</p> <p>24 Mike, Gina, do you want to -- are you able to pick</p> <p>25 up on that at all with where he's at on that or do we just</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p> <p>1 want to move on?</p> <p>2 MS. ROBERTS: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, I</p> <p>3 believe Tom caught most of it. Basically there was --</p> <p>4 Maricopa County in their report they -- they basically, what</p> <p>5 -- what Tom was saying is that when the third-party review</p> <p>6 did the signature analysis, they looked at these publicly</p> <p>7 available signatures as opposed to the voter signatures that</p> <p>8 are already on file. So when the counties are doing their</p> <p>9 signature review, they're looking at all the signatures that</p> <p>10 they have on file for the voter's registration record, and</p> <p>11 then -- so there obviously could be concerns and issues with</p> <p>12 doing a signature comparison and analysis to publicly</p> <p>13 available signatures, you know, and the accuracy and -- and</p> <p>14 authenticity of doing so.</p> <p>15 So that I believe pretty much sums up what Tom was</p> <p>16 trying to communicate.</p> <p>17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Anything more on the</p> <p>18 Executive Director report?</p> <p>19 I know there's -- you know, there's 27 pages of,</p> <p>20 you know, very small print here of bills that are currently</p> <p>21 in the House or Senate Floor that could impact or relate to</p> <p>22 voting. Is there any -- anyone that wants to highlight any</p> <p>23 of those that we need to be concerned about at this time?</p> <p>24 I know Commissioner Kimble usually weighs in a few</p> <p>25 of those, but any of staff have any particular ones that</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>1 they think we should be aware of?</p> <p>2 MR. BECKER: Chairman, Commissioners, there are a</p> <p>3 couple of bills that were supposedly dead prior,</p> <p>4 Mr. Fillmore has a bill that's become a strike everything.</p> <p>5 Senator Kelly Townsend has taken up the mantle.</p> <p>6 This is a bill that pretty much guts mail-in</p> <p>7 balloting, it requires all votes be counted within 24 hours.</p> <p>8 It's -- it's an interesting bill to say the least.</p> <p>9 From what I've heard it's -- it got on a committee,</p> <p>10 but from what I heard it's not going to make it out of the</p> <p>11 Senate. There's still several Republicans that have said</p> <p>12 they don't like -- they don't like it, they won't vote for</p> <p>13 it, but we'll see. But it is -- it was killed at one point</p> <p>14 on the floor of the Senate and has now come back, but so</p> <p>15 we'll -- we'll keep an eye on that one.</p> <p>16 MS. KARLSON: Mr. --</p> <p>17 MR. BECKER: My -- from what I've heard from</p> <p>18 different people down there, it doesn't look like it will go</p> <p>19 anywhere.</p> <p>20 MS. KARLSON: Mr. Chairman?</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yes. Ms. Karlson.</p> <p>22 MS. KARLSON: I apologize for interrupting, but</p> <p>23 since it's not the Executive Director who is speaking on</p> <p>24 this issue right now, perhaps this discussion would be</p> <p>25 better had under Agenda Item VI, discussion and possible</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>1 action on 2020 legislative bills on the topics of elections,</p> <p>2 voting, and administration.</p> <p>3 Obviously, if you want to, you know, move on to</p> <p>4 that item or move up -- move that up, I just -- I just want</p> <p>5 to be clear, you know, who is speaking about what and -- and</p> <p>6 what point we're addressing.</p> <p>7 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay.</p> <p>8 Okay. Tom, I don't know if you want to give this a</p> <p>9 go. Is there anything else in the Executive Director's</p> <p>10 report that you would like to convey to us that's not --</p> <p>11 that we haven't discussed?</p> <p>12 I see we have the continued great work that Avery</p> <p>13 and Gina are doing on voter education; and, of course, we</p> <p>14 have Commissioner Chan has joined the Secretary of State's</p> <p>15 office as their general counsel.</p> <p>16 Commissioner Chan, can I ask you to just tell us a</p> <p>17 little bit about your new role with the Secretary's office;</p> <p>18 and, of course, congratulations.</p> <p>19 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.</p> <p>20 Yeah, I just started Monday, and it's nice to be</p> <p>21 working outside the home again and kind of getting back into</p> <p>22 the saddle legally.</p> <p>23 So the job entails, you know, giving legal advice</p> <p>24 to the agency; and because of the kind of distinct</p> <p>25 decoupling of the Secretary's office from the AG's office,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p>1 I'm going to be representing them in giving advice, things</p> <p>2 that, you know, the AG's office would normally do. So a lot</p> <p>3 of public records requests like any agency.</p> <p>4 We have multiple divisions here including the</p> <p>5 library, which has its own boards and commissions and they</p> <p>6 need legal advice; we have of course elections is one, so</p> <p>7 when candidate challenges comes up, the Secretary's office</p> <p>8 is there just nominally, so I'll be handling those; the</p> <p>9 business services division handles notary and UCC, and the</p> <p>10 main thing is any notary complaints and administrative</p> <p>11 proceedings that entail -- that those entail.</p> <p>12 So that's kind of a high-level overview. And I'm</p> <p>13 just really excited to be back at work actually, it's kind</p> <p>14 of the perfect fit for -- for me right now and what they</p> <p>15 needed. So I'm very grateful for the opportunity, so.</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Well, congratulations.</p> <p>17 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Thank you.</p> <p>18 CHAIRMAN MEYER: We're excited for you and the</p> <p>19 opportunity.</p> <p>20 Tom, the other issue on here that I want to ask you</p> <p>21 about is the E-Qual issue and taking that offline. Do we</p> <p>22 need to have any further discussion on that at this point in</p> <p>23 time?</p> <p>24 MR. COLLINS: I'm going to take a shot at this,</p> <p>25 Mr. Chairman.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">13</p> <p>1 We have an agenda item about that, if it's -- it's</p> <p>2 okay with everyone, I'm just -- I'm happy to preterm that</p> <p>3 with this comment: If it went offline, we have not to the</p> <p>4 best of my knowledge heard any complaints from candidates</p> <p>5 here at Clean Elections. As I said to the Cap Times this</p> <p>6 week, my hope is that this turns out not to be a big deal.</p> <p>7 Obviously the Secretary has started to push back</p> <p>8 aggressively against candidates who complain, asking them,</p> <p>9 you know, had -- did you receive our communications on this</p> <p>10 and that kind of thing which, you know, of course that they</p> <p>11 had been communicating since they decided to start</p> <p>12 communicating about the issues, so.</p> <p>13 So my hope is that folks have the notice that they</p> <p>14 should have had and have been able to accommodate the issue.</p> <p>15 That said, it's -- the Attorney General's office had posted</p> <p>16 a request for complaints, I don't know if they've received</p> <p>17 any, and I don't know -- and I do know to the best of my</p> <p>18 knowledge the lawsuit between the Secretary's office and the</p> <p>19 Attorney General's office remains ongoing.</p> <p>20 So that is my update on that, Mr. Chairman, if</p> <p>21 anyone has any questions.</p> <p>22 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you.</p> <p>23 I don't have any other questions on the Executive</p> <p>24 Director's report, do any of the other Commissioners?</p> <p>25 Seeing none, then I apologize for jumping ahead</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">14</p> <p>1 here a little bit.</p> <p>2 The next item on our agenda is Item Number IV, this</p> <p>3 is discussion or possible action on election voting</p> <p>4 administration issues, including funding and policy with</p> <p>5 Coconino County Recorder Patty Hansen.</p> <p>6 So Commissioners, last month we heard from Cochise</p> <p>7 County Elections Director Lisa Mara, today we are fortunate</p> <p>8 to be joined by Coconino County Recorder Patty Hansen. We</p> <p>9 asked Patty to be here today to discuss challenges facing</p> <p>10 election officials especially around resources which she has</p> <p>11 been engaged with at the state and federal level for many</p> <p>12 years.</p> <p>13 Patty began her election administration career in</p> <p>14 1987 when she was appointed to be the Deputy Election</p> <p>15 Commissioner for Lancaster County, Nebraska. She served in</p> <p>16 a variety of election posts in Nebraska and Minnesota,</p> <p>17 including elections administrator for the Minnesota</p> <p>18 Secretary of State's office.</p> <p>19 She became the election administrator for Coconino</p> <p>20 County, Arizona, in 2003, and she was first elected to</p> <p>21 Coconino County Recorder in 2012 and has held leadership</p> <p>22 roles in numerous state and national election organizations.</p> <p>23 So on behalf of all the Commissioners, I want to</p> <p>24 welcome Ms. Hansen. And as an opening questioning, I wanted</p> <p>25 to ask her: Based on your experience, how significant are</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>1 the resource challenges to Arizona elections today?</p> <p>2 MS. HANSEN: Well, thank you very much, Chairman</p> <p>3 Meyer, and thank your -- your fellow Commissioners for</p> <p>4 letting me come today and visit with you.</p> <p>5 There's many challenges facing elections</p> <p>6 administration at the moment, but I think I want to</p> <p>7 concentrate on the financial challenges.</p> <p>8 As you heard I've been doing this for a long time,</p> <p>9 and, in fact, April 1st it will be 35 years I've been</p> <p>10 involved in election administration. And I know I look way</p> <p>11 too young to be -- to have done it that long but -- no, just</p> <p>12 joking.</p> <p>13 But during that time I had never had enough money</p> <p>14 to do everything that I felt needed to be done to really</p> <p>15 have a very successful election and reach out to the people</p> <p>16 in our county.</p> <p>17 But what happened in 2020 was the Center for</p> <p>18 Technology and Civic Life gave us a \$614,000 grant, and that</p> <p>19 grant I think helped us not only have a successful election,</p> <p>20 we broke all sorts of records in regards to number of people</p> <p>21 who registered to vote and voter turnout. And so -- and we</p> <p>22 did all of this by keeping everything safe and secure.</p> <p>23 And I just want to give you an idea of what we've</p> <p>24 spent the money on. We were able to do -- install ballot</p> <p>25 dropboxes throughout the county. As you're probably aware,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>1 Coconino County is geographically quite large. Land size,</p> <p>2 we're larger than I think it's seven U.S. states. So that's</p> <p>3 one of the challenges we faced.</p> <p>4 And what we did is we were able to expand the</p> <p>5 number of ballot dropboxes from two that we've had for way</p> <p>6 over 30 years in Flagstaff, to 16 other locations throughout</p> <p>7 the county; and those dropboxes resulted in 45 percent of</p> <p>8 our early voters return their vote-early ballot through</p> <p>9 those dropboxes.</p> <p>10 Now, one of the things with dropboxes, the box</p> <p>11 itself is not the only (indiscernible). We need to hire</p> <p>12 people to go out there on a regular basis every day or every</p> <p>13 other day in teams of two, opposite political party, to</p> <p>14 retrieve those early ballots.</p> <p>15 So we've -- we're -- we hired many temporary</p> <p>16 employees with the funds given to us through the CTCL grant.</p> <p>17 We used it for motor pool charges, 'cause to drive</p> <p>18 around this county it takes a lot of gasoline and you need</p> <p>19 vehicles. We were able to give our poll workers what we</p> <p>20 called hazard pay I guess is the best way to put it. We</p> <p>21 were having trouble recruiting poll workers because of the</p> <p>22 pandemic, so we were able to increase our poll worker pay of</p> <p>23 \$120 by another hundred dollars. And that may seem like a</p> <p>24 big increase, but when you consider they're starting usually</p> <p>25 at 5:00 a.m. and going until 9:00 p.m., that's not an</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>1 unreasonable amount of money to pay them for their work.</p> <p>2 We also used it for temporary employees on the</p> <p>3 Navajo Nation because -- we did not want to put dropboxes on</p> <p>4 the Navajo Nation because we were really concerned with the</p> <p>5 increase in early voting, that many of the Navajo voters had</p> <p>6 not been voting by mail, and we wanted to make sure that</p> <p>7 they were able to have any necessary language assistance and</p> <p>8 also to check that that ballot affidavit envelope that Tom</p> <p>9 mentioned earlier in his talk was actually signed, 'cause if</p> <p>10 it's not signed we can't count the ballot.</p> <p>11 We increased security, we were able to -- the</p> <p>12 security at our Tuba City office. We have Flagstaff</p> <p>13 satellite mall -- satellite office at the Flagstaff Mall.</p> <p>14 Our office was closed to the public because of COVID 'cause</p> <p>15 we don't have -- did not have a large area for people to be</p> <p>16 able to spread out and vote safely, so we had an office at</p> <p>17 the Flagstaff Mall.</p> <p>18 We purchased additional equipment such as laptops</p> <p>19 and our electronic poll books. And one thing I think that</p> <p>20 really helped a lot was we did -- ran radio ads and</p> <p>21 newspaper ads that were specific to the area advertising</p> <p>22 where these dropboxes were and other information; and for</p> <p>23 the first time since I've been with the office, which was</p> <p>24 starting in 2003, we ran those ads in English. We've always</p> <p>25 had to run them in Navajo because we're under the minority</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>1 language provision of the Voting Rights Act, but I think</p> <p>2 able to reach people in the rural areas of our county, radio</p> <p>3 was really the best way to do it.</p> <p>4 So we were very excited about that.</p> <p>5 We've also received funding in the past and also in</p> <p>6 2020 from the Help America Vote Act from the federal</p> <p>7 government, and most of that money that is coming in for</p> <p>8 specific purposes such as the security grant that we</p> <p>9 received that we had to use to increase security. And so</p> <p>10 what we did is we did some -- we had the Department of</p> <p>11 Homeland Security has people that came and they reviewed our</p> <p>12 locations and gave us ideas on how we needed to improve</p> <p>13 things. Like in our lobby area at our main office, it's a</p> <p>14 big glass, and they said, "Well, somebody could drive right</p> <p>15 through there." So we bought big boulders -- thank goodness</p> <p>16 we have a lot of boulders up here in Flagstaff -- and put</p> <p>17 those up, you know, just as a barrier. Things we didn't</p> <p>18 even think about.</p> <p>19 We also have installed camera systems for video</p> <p>20 surveillance throughout our facilities. We used money to</p> <p>21 buy a special software that will help us with cyber security</p> <p>22 through our IT network; and we now have keypad entry to keep</p> <p>23 track of who is coming and going into areas of our</p> <p>24 facilities.</p> <p>25 Now, one of the things with funding and the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>1 difference between the Help America Vote Act funds and the</p> <p>2 CTCL funds, was CTCL just said "spend it the way you think</p> <p>3 it will help you the most." The Help America Vote Act funds</p> <p>4 is usually a specific funds that is like for security, and</p> <p>5 it's to buy equipment. So, you know, we can buy keypa- --</p> <p>6 or electronic poll books. Well, electronic poll books don't</p> <p>7 program themselves and maintain themselves and do the</p> <p>8 testing and that, so you need people for that. So that's</p> <p>9 why the CTCL, we used it for hiring people to do what needed</p> <p>10 to be done.</p> <p>11 And since I've been involved in election</p> <p>12 administration I've seen that the majority of the funds that</p> <p>13 come from the federal government, such as the funds that</p> <p>14 came originally when the Help America Vote Act was passed,</p> <p>15 was to buy voting equipment. So we got rid of our punch</p> <p>16 card system and went to digital, optical scan equipment and</p> <p>17 touch screen for accessible voting. Again, we bought the</p> <p>18 equipment but we needed a warehouse, we needed staff that</p> <p>19 could take care of that equipment, and -- so it's always a</p> <p>20 blessing to get some money, but we don't always get money</p> <p>21 where it's needed for election administration.</p> <p>22 And an example, just at the state level there's a</p> <p>23 bill, HB 2493, to create an election integrity fund. Well,</p> <p>24 again, that's to be used for security, and it does say in</p> <p>25 that that you can have staffing. Well, we've gotten a lot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>1 of money from the federal government for security, security</p> <p>2 is -- I don't need funds for security, what would really</p> <p>3 help is if the State would give us funds to pay for the</p> <p>4 state voter registration system which is called AVID. The</p> <p>5 counties have to pay for the system, and coming up with that</p> <p>6 money makes it difficult.</p> <p>7 So I've been involved with a group that kind of</p> <p>8 came out of the CTCL group which was working at the national</p> <p>9 level for a -- to create -- or ask Congress for \$20 billion</p> <p>10 over the next ten years for an election infrastructure</p> <p>11 initiative, and this would be money that would come directly</p> <p>12 from the local offices instead of going through the state.</p> <p>13 That was another advantage of the CTCL. When it</p> <p>14 goes through the state, even at the Secretary of State or</p> <p>15 through the Governor's office, there's usually politics will</p> <p>16 come into play unfortunately and it's -- it's -- it makes it</p> <p>17 difficult for the money to come.</p> <p>18 Like, there was money available going through the</p> <p>19 Governor's office in 2020, but it was so burdensome to have</p> <p>20 to do the weekly reports and everything to get that money,</p> <p>21 we didn't apply for it. So the Center for Technology and</p> <p>22 Civic Life is a private organization, it's a nonprofit.</p> <p>23 It's -- from what I understand, most of it is funded through</p> <p>24 Mark Zuckerberg and his wife; and that became a political</p> <p>25 issue because people that don't like Mark Zuckerberg then</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p> <p>1 felt like the money was tainted or was used to be part of</p> <p>2 what I call "the big lie," which is that there was all this</p> <p>3 fraud and it threw the elections and the elections in 2020</p> <p>4 were not secure and accurate.</p> <p>5 And so the legislature passed a bill that we can no</p> <p>6 longer accept money -- grant money except from governmental</p> <p>7 entities such as the federal government or the state</p> <p>8 government.</p> <p>9 And the Center -- when I've talked to people there,</p> <p>10 they really felt like -- you know, they stepped up and did</p> <p>11 this nationwide; I mean, they gave out millions of dollars</p> <p>12 across the country to local election offices. And they --</p> <p>13 they said it's disturbing that we were relying on private --</p> <p>14 a private organization, even though it's nonpartisan and</p> <p>15 nonprofit, to fund our elections. Elections are integral to</p> <p>16 our democracy. And that's why we feel that the</p> <p>17 infrastructure of our country should include our elections,</p> <p>18 so that's why we're working on that.</p> <p>19 I want to thank the Commission. You have been such</p> <p>20 an important partner to the election officials across</p> <p>21 Arizona. We -- you have helped us in so many ways and</p> <p>22 through radio ads or -- like I know you helped us with our</p> <p>23 voter guide, which is -- we mail out prior to every state</p> <p>24 primary election, and that's -- we do that to all registered</p> <p>25 voters to help us clean our list, it's required under the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>1 National Voter Registration Act.</p> <p>2 I mean, there's so many things that the Commission</p> <p>3 has helped us with through your mission of educating voters</p> <p>4 and, like I said, thank you so much. It's -- it's been -- I</p> <p>5 don't know what we would do without you, truthfully, right</p> <p>6 now.</p> <p>7 So I'd be willing to ask (verbatim) any questions.</p> <p>8 You're probably always hearing "money, money, money, that's</p> <p>9 what people need," but it's -- we've done some things that I</p> <p>10 know we're very proud of across the state, and hopefully</p> <p>11 we'll be able to continue to do things and also in</p> <p>12 partnership with your Commission. So, thank you.</p> <p>13 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Well, you're very welcome. Thank</p> <p>14 you. Thank you for that. That was a lot of information, I</p> <p>15 appreciate that.</p> <p>16 I did have one question and I think -- I thought I</p> <p>17 heard you say that there were some state funds available but</p> <p>18 the reporting requirements were so onerous that -- that you</p> <p>19 had decided not to apply for them or your office did. And I</p> <p>20 guess did I hear that right; and, two, if I did, can you</p> <p>21 tell me a little bit more about that?</p> <p>22 MS. HANSEN: Yeah, it was through the -- because of</p> <p>23 the pandemic it came -- it was part of the CARES Act --</p> <p>24 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay.</p> <p>25 MS. HANSEN: -- in regards to funding. And it</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>1 went -- that money had to go through the Governor's office</p> <p>2 from what I understand to be doled out, and the Governor's</p> <p>3 office put in place some requirements that made it, like, a</p> <p>4 weekly reporting that made it difficult when you're in a --</p> <p>5 you know, a big crunch for the elections.</p> <p>6 Typically what we did when it goes to the Secretary</p> <p>7 of State's office is we submit our grant application, and</p> <p>8 then after the elections we submit a report of what we've</p> <p>9 spent it on and how -- and that -- but this was a little bit</p> <p>10 more burdensome-reporting type thing to go through.</p> <p>11 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yeah, and I think you said you got</p> <p>12 a security grant. Was that through the federal government</p> <p>13 or was that a state -- a state fund?</p> <p>14 MS. HANSEN: That was the federal government, it</p> <p>15 was through the Help America Vote Act. And that came</p> <p>16 through the Secretary of State's office.</p> <p>17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Okay.</p> <p>18 MS. HANSEN: And we applied to them and they then</p> <p>19 gave us the money.</p> <p>20 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Great.</p> <p>21 Okay. Do any other Commissioners have any other</p> <p>22 questions for Ms. Hansen while she's here?</p> <p>23 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I do.</p> <p>24 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Go ahead, Ms. -- Commissioner</p> <p>25 Chan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>1 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Thanks, Mr. Chairman.</p> <p>2 Hi, Patty. It's so good to see you. And you were</p> <p>3 so informative, as always. And I love hearing exactly how</p> <p>4 many years you've been doing this because it just, you know,</p> <p>5 solidifies everything for me about why you are such an</p> <p>6 expert and do such an incredible job.</p> <p>7 I did have a few questions and you touched on these</p> <p>8 issues and -- and so did the Chairman, but what do you</p> <p>9 think -- do you have any idea of what the likelihood is of</p> <p>10 getting federal funding that your group is asking for? And</p> <p>11 can you reiterate for me how much money you're asking for,</p> <p>12 and you said over ten years I think.</p> <p>13 MS. HANSEN: Yes, it is 20 billion, with a B. I</p> <p>14 know it's kind of "oh," but it's nationwide and it's over</p> <p>15 ten years.</p> <p>16 And we -- there's -- I think the last I read there</p> <p>17 was 80 cosponsors on the bill. I know Representative</p> <p>18 O'Halleran, our representative, has signed onto it and I</p> <p>19 think a couple other Arizona representatives have.</p> <p>20 It -- it depends. You know, anything getting</p> <p>21 through the U.S. Congress is difficult, but there does seem</p> <p>22 to be a strong support. They did some national polling --</p> <p>23 and, in fact, I'm going to be sitting in on a meeting next</p> <p>24 week, the results of the polling -- but they're finding</p> <p>25 strong bipartisan support for funding elections. So I'm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>1 feeling optimistic about it right now.</p> <p>2 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Great.</p> <p>3 MS. HANSEN: So -- and it's good to see you, too.</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Thank you.</p> <p>5 MS. HANSEN: Yeah, and congrats on your new</p> <p>6 position. I look forward to -- hopefully I won't have to</p> <p>7 bother you too much in that role.</p> <p>8 COMMISSIONER CHAN: You're never a bother. Happy</p> <p>9 to talk to you any time.</p> <p>10 MS. HANSEN: Thank you.</p> <p>11 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I didn't realize it was a bill</p> <p>12 already, so that's -- I mean, to me that's already huge</p> <p>13 progress. I thought it was more of an idea that you guys</p> <p>14 were pursuing, so that's fantastic news.</p> <p>15 And, you know, you kind of touched on this as well</p> <p>16 but, you know, how receptive are our state legislators to</p> <p>17 any additional funding for elections and, you know, voter</p> <p>18 education and that sort of thing, if you can kind of talk to</p> <p>19 us about that.</p> <p>20 MS. HANSEN: Well, in the security area I think</p> <p>21 there is support. Like, there was money attached to a bill</p> <p>22 that -- that would have required us to use a certain type of</p> <p>23 paper with holographic images and a lot of different things</p> <p>24 in it. There was money attached -- if that had passed would</p> <p>25 have been attached to that we could use to offset because</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>1 the cost was going to triple or, you know, really increase</p> <p>2 if we had to go to that kind of paper.</p> <p>3 So when it's things dealing with preventing fraud,</p> <p>4 it seems like there is support now in the legislature.</p> <p>5 But I really do feel that that is an area where we</p> <p>6 are really being funded well at the national level through</p> <p>7 the Help America Vote Act.</p> <p>8 So the pandemic I think -- I mean, if anything</p> <p>9 could come out of such a tragic thing -- did open up some of</p> <p>10 the doors for us to get some funding in regards to, you</p> <p>11 know, personal safety such as the sneeze guards and things</p> <p>12 like that. So I think we're doing pretty good there.</p> <p>13 But otherwise, I don't see too much interest in</p> <p>14 providing money to the counties like for staffing issues.</p> <p>15 Staffing I think you'll find across the state is the hardest</p> <p>16 thing for us, 'cause as things become more technical you</p> <p>17 need staff with special skills and training and expertise.</p> <p>18 It's not like we could just hire now, you know, any -- go to</p> <p>19 a temp service and hire anybody to come in and do a lot of</p> <p>20 these things, so.</p> <p>21 And we -- we ran background checks on people, too,</p> <p>22 and that's a little bit extra costs there, so.</p> <p>23 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I think, you know, one thing</p> <p>24 you mentioned and I did hear you say this in your original</p> <p>25 discussion that you gave us, is that, you know, our state</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>1 legislature seems willing to provide money for election</p> <p>2 security. And -- and, frankly, I would agree with what I</p> <p>3 think I heard you say which is our election security is</p> <p>4 already top notch. And that's not to say there can't be</p> <p>5 improvements ever, but I think that, you know, part of the</p> <p>6 problem with "the big lie" was -- was convincing people that</p> <p>7 there was actual fraud that was a problem, when in reality</p> <p>8 that is -- that is not a problem in any way, shape, or form.</p> <p>9 I mean, we all know that sometimes people have bad</p> <p>10 intent and get through with voting, you know, maybe in more</p> <p>11 than one state, for example, but that's very, very rare.</p> <p>12 So I -- I appreciate what you've told us.</p> <p>13 I did have a question and this is about voters.</p> <p>14 You know, do you think there's anything that you can</p> <p>15 recommend for voters as far as how we communicate to voters,</p> <p>16 you know, about how they can stay involved in these</p> <p>17 processes?</p> <p>18 I mean, that's kind of always the -- the rub for</p> <p>19 us, right? Getting voters engaged and maintaining that. If</p> <p>20 you have anything to offer on that, I'd love to hear it.</p> <p>21 MS. HANSEN: I think continuing the education part.</p> <p>22 I know through the years one of the most frustrating things</p> <p>23 for me is when people ask, "Where can I find information on</p> <p>24 candidates that's unbiased?" And, you know, you're</p> <p>25 fulfilling that role in a lot of ways, but as much as you</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>1 can expand that out. I always refer people to your website</p> <p>2 and to the debates and that.</p> <p>3 But I know working with Gina has been very, very</p> <p>4 helpful. And now that I'm thinking, I should probably get a</p> <p>5 list when you have those debates in place to have it posted</p> <p>6 on our website, too, and so that we can get that information</p> <p>7 out more.</p> <p>8 But yeah, the education part I think.</p> <p>9 And I know people are wanting to be more involved</p> <p>10 and learn about elections, and I've thought about up here</p> <p>11 doing what I call kind of an election college, kind of a</p> <p>12 take on the electoral college. But during the off years to</p> <p>13 do an education kind of program of the basics of how</p> <p>14 elections work, 'cause a lot of people don't realize all of</p> <p>15 the steps we go through to keep things secure, such as</p> <p>16 following the ballot. I know Yavapai has a good program on</p> <p>17 that where, you know, when the early ballot comes in, you</p> <p>18 know, we count them all, we record the count; when we're</p> <p>19 processing we make sure that we've processed all of them.</p> <p>20 And, you know, there's lots of things involved that</p> <p>21 I think, you know, may be something that the Commission may</p> <p>22 want to look at, just teaching basic elections</p> <p>23 administration basics.</p> <p>24 Sorry, I'll give you more work.</p> <p>25 But, you know, but -- but partner with the local.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>1 And two, it's confusing. I -- I always know when</p> <p>2 something goes wrong or there's an issue -- not going wrong,</p> <p>3 but an issue in Maricopa County, 'cause my phones start</p> <p>4 ringing off the hook that they think it's here. And it's</p> <p>5 like, no, that's not our county. But, you know, how -- it's</p> <p>6 hard right now.</p> <p>7 And another problem we have that I don't know how</p> <p>8 to solve is at NAU they sign people up for the</p> <p>9 provisional -- I mean, not provisional, for early ballots,</p> <p>10 students never pick 'em up. We get trays of ballots back</p> <p>11 after the election that were never picked up by the voters.</p> <p>12 And so, you know, how do you engage and reach people that --</p> <p>13 a generation that doesn't even use snail mail at all. And</p> <p>14 it's like: Oh, I have a post office box? I didn't know I</p> <p>15 have a post office box.</p> <p>16 So things like that I guess.</p> <p>17 I'm sorry, I'll just ramble on.</p> <p>18 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Thank you.</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN MEYER: I have a question as far as you</p> <p>20 talked about, you know, administration issues and, you know,</p> <p>21 Mike had mentioned earlier about, you know, this bill that's</p> <p>22 proposed to count all the ballots in 24 hours.</p> <p>23 Can you kind of speak to that, is that possible to</p> <p>24 do? What type of challenges would that present to Coconino</p> <p>25 County to try to do that?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <p>1 Can you maybe shed some light on that or share your 2 thoughts with us on that type of provision?</p> <p>3 MS. HANSEN: I don't know how we would do it in 4 Coconino County. It's -- like I mentioned earlier for poll 5 workers, they're working 5:00 a.m. until about 9:00 p.m. 6 We're going to ask them to stay another -- I mean, I would 7 say it's going to be another, you know, five or six hours to 8 count a general election ballot. There are so many errors 9 in hand counting.</p> <p>10 And to get things -- I mean, you can't just do the 11 marks for the ballots, I've seen -- in counting. I've seen 12 people in that -- during our post-election hand audit you 13 have to do stacking method, which is you separate. So you 14 do I guess governor and then do that race, and then you have 15 to do attorney general and then that race. I mean...</p> <p>16 And it -- contrary to what people believe, we don't 17 have people coming out of the woodwork that want to work for 18 us as poll workers.</p> <p>19 And I just can't even imagine Maricopa County, how 20 you could do almost two million or one and a half million 21 ballots by hand.</p> <p>22 I have seen when I worked in Nebraska there was 23 still several counties that -- small counties that tabulated 24 by hand their votes and I would see mistakes. Numbers would 25 be recorded, you know -- numbers transposed and -- I don't</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p>1 know. It's -- if you want accuracy, you do not do it by 2 hand.</p> <p>3 And you know, yeah, I'd like to give the legislator 4 a big stack of like 500 ballots that are marked and ask him 5 to tabulate it by hand to see what is involved. I mean, 6 it's easy if we only had one question on the ballot maybe, 7 you know, one race.</p> <p>8 But I just don't see how it can be done. I really 9 don't.</p> <p>10 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Well, we saw how long it took 11 for the ninjas to do two races, so.</p> <p>12 MS. HANSEN: True.</p> <p>13 CHAIRMAN MEYER: All right. Any other 14 Commissioners have any questions for Ms. Hansen?</p> <p>15 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Mr. Chairman, this is 16 Commissioner Kimble.</p> <p>17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Go ahead, Commissioner Kimble.</p> <p>18 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Ms. Hansen, thank you very 19 much for your -- for your information, I learned a lot from 20 what you said.</p> <p>21 I just had one question. You -- you talked about 22 using funds for security, for ballot dropboxes. If you were 23 to get some funds without onerous restrictions placed on 24 them, what's your greatest funding need now?</p> <p>25 You mentioned people. Is that it or are there some</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">32</p> <p>1 physical things that you need other than that?</p> <p>2 MS. HANSEN: I would say right now it's people. We 3 need to really beef up our training programs.</p> <p>4 What some people call fraud is human mistakes. I 5 don't know anything else where we have made an election 6 system so complicated for our poll workers that we expect 7 them to work this long day after having only two to 8 four hours at the most of training and have it be error 9 free.</p> <p>10 I mean, you've got provisional ballots; you've got, 11 you know, touch screen voting equipment; you have electronic 12 poll books; it's ID checking. And I probably shouldn't say 13 this, but I always say it after every election, it's a 14 miracle that it works as well as it does; and it's because 15 our poll workers are so dedicated they do want to do it 16 correctly. But we just I don't believe supply them enough 17 to make it so they can actually learn all of that in detail.</p> <p>18 And with money I think we could expand that 19 education program for training them and giving them the 20 supplies. I mean, I don't know about you, but I -- if I'm 21 shown a new software program and it's four weeks before I'm 22 going to even touch the equipment, and -- I will probably 23 not remember everything they taught me four weeks prior. So 24 how can we improve that they know how to use everything and 25 follow the proper, you know, procedures? So it's...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">33</p> <p>1 That's why a lot of election officials want to go 2 to voting by mail because voting by mail takes the poll 3 workers out of it, the process, and you have trained staff 4 that is actually doing things. And it's much easier for us 5 to train our staff. We can say: You're going to have to be 6 trained for, you know, a week. You can't tell a poll worker 7 they have to attend a five-day training session unless 8 you're going to pay them a lot of money, so.</p> <p>9 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Thank you.</p> <p>10 MS. HANSEN: Thank you.</p> <p>11 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Mr. Paton, you have any questions?</p> <p>12 COMMISSIONER PATON: Well, I just -- I guess I just 13 have some observations. And it gratifies me to know that 14 our education programs have -- have been so beneficial in 15 ways that who would have thought, you know, that they could 16 be so helpful to the Records and the, you know -- it just 17 is gratifying to know that we have such an impact.</p> <p>18 Sometimes, you know, we -- we are in these meetings 19 and we think that we're doing good, but this just points 20 out how -- how well we have improved things.</p> <p>21 So thank you for your -- for being such a 22 professional and -- and, you know, hopefully we can help in 23 other ways, that we can think of other ways. And if you can 24 think of ways that we can help that we're not doing, let the 25 staff know.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">34</p> <p>1 Thank you.</p> <p>2 MS. HANSEN: Thank you very much.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>4 Anyone else?</p> <p>5 Commissioner Titla, do you have any questions or</p> <p>6 comments?</p> <p>7 (No response.)</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN MEYER: I see you're on mute.</p> <p>9 Okay. Well, Patty, I really want to thank you for</p> <p>10 joining us, I learned a lot this morning; it was very</p> <p>11 helpful.</p> <p>12 Unless anyone else has any further questions, we</p> <p>13 are going to move on to our next agenda item. But I guess</p> <p>14 last chance for anyone for more questions?</p> <p>15 Okay. Thank you so much, Patty. We really, really</p> <p>16 appreciate it.</p> <p>17 MS. HANSEN: Thank you so much. Take care.</p> <p>18 CHAIRMAN MEYER: You, too.</p> <p>19 Okay. Now we're going to move on to Agenda Item</p> <p>20 Number V, which is discussion and possible action on</p> <p>21 CV2021-007328, The Power of Fives, LLC v. Sloan, et al.</p> <p>22 For my other Commissioners, staff has scheduled</p> <p>23 this agenda item in order to discuss a request from</p> <p>24 Mr. Sloan and his attorney related to a contract action</p> <p>25 between Mr. Sloan and a limited liability company called The Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">35</p> <p>1 Power of Fives who we've discussed before.</p> <p>2 I'm going to ask Tom to give us a little bit of</p> <p>3 background on this item and then I will call on Mr. Sloan or</p> <p>4 his counsel.</p> <p>5 Tom, let's hope for the best here.</p> <p>6 MS. COADY: Good morning, Chairman Meyer and</p> <p>7 members of the Board. Before Tom begins, I wanted to let</p> <p>8 you know that this is Monique Coady, I'm the Board's</p> <p>9 independent advisor -- on previous matters I have advised</p> <p>10 you, and on this particular agenda item today I am your</p> <p>11 independent advisor. If you have any legal questions at all</p> <p>12 or want to go into executive session, I will be your</p> <p>13 attorney, not Kara, on this agenda item only.</p> <p>14 Thank you.</p> <p>15 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Ms. Coady. Thank you</p> <p>16 so much.</p> <p>17 Tom?</p> <p>18 MR. COLLINS: Yes. Mr. Chairman, Commissioners or</p> <p>19 -- yeah.</p> <p>20 So briefly to give you the background here, as you</p> <p>21 know -- and we did provide notice to TPOF to make sure they</p> <p>22 were aware of this hearing -- we have an ongoing</p> <p>23 enforcement-related action with this TPOF limited liability</p> <p>24 company, and we have ongoing litigation in Superior Court</p> <p>25 with this TPOF company. Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">36</p> <p>1 Mr. Sloan was a client of TPOF in 2020 elections.</p> <p>2 You may recall we had an enforcement action related to him,</p> <p>3 we did a repayment order, and then in December we resolved</p> <p>4 the enforcement action as it relates to Mr. Sloan.</p> <p>5 Mr. Sloan has a -- had a contractual relationship</p> <p>6 of some kind with The Power of Fives company; they went</p> <p>7 through an arbitration procedure, that then was converted</p> <p>8 into -- well, that -- that subsequently turned into a</p> <p>9 judgment that Mr. Sloan is seeking to appeal from.</p> <p>10 By way of background, when this arbitration arose,</p> <p>11 we -- we were subpoenaed -- I was subpoenaed to testify at</p> <p>12 that, and with the help of the -- with the help of Kara and</p> <p>13 the Attorney General's office we had that subpoena quashed.</p> <p>14 The -- and I will -- the issue that was presented</p> <p>15 to us and that we brought before you out of an effort to</p> <p>16 ensure that there is transparency in this and -- and to</p> <p>17 ensure that we don't have any additional extraneous issues,</p> <p>18 is whether or not the Commission would file some form of</p> <p>19 amicus brief or something in -- in this appeal from this</p> <p>20 judgment related to the -- whether or not because there was</p> <p>21 an enforcement action brought in this, that the -- that</p> <p>22 there is a public policy argument for why this judgment</p> <p>23 shouldn't be enforced.</p> <p>24 I would leave it there. Before we -- before I hand</p> <p>25 it back to Mr. Chairman, I would suggest if there's anything Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">37</p> <p>1 I missed here, Kara is essentially the staff attorney for</p> <p>2 lack of better way of putting it on this item, so if there's</p> <p>3 anything that I missed that I need to -- I do -- I need to</p> <p>4 defer to her on, any blanks I need to fill in before.</p> <p>5 So Mr. Chairman, if you want to ask her that before</p> <p>6 you hand it off, that might be a good idea.</p> <p>7 And I hope everybody heard me. I'm trying the</p> <p>8 phone here now.</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN MEYER: No, we did. We did hear you and I</p> <p>10 appreciate that, Tom.</p> <p>11 And I don't know, Ms. Coady, do you have anything</p> <p>12 to add to what -- what Tom said there, or should I turn this</p> <p>13 over to Mr. Sloan or Mr. Stanley I believe is his counsel?</p> <p>14 MS. COADY: I believe Mr. Collins wanted to verify</p> <p>15 with Kara as the staff attorney for Clean Elections whether</p> <p>16 she had anything to add to his summary before you turn it</p> <p>17 over. So I would offer Kara Karlson the opportunity right</p> <p>18 now if she wanted to add anything.</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you.</p> <p>20 MS. KARLSON: Yes, thank you.</p> <p>21 Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, I think Mr. Collins</p> <p>22 hit all of the key procedural points about where the various</p> <p>23 parties stand and where we stand in regards to -- to all the</p> <p>24 various parties and the different suits and enforcement</p> <p>25 actions that are either pending or have been resolved. Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

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1 So unless -- do you have any specific questions or
2 any Commissioners have specific questions on that before you
3 proceed to opening it up to anyone else, I'm -- I'm
4 available to answer them.
5 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yeah, I don't -- I don't have any
6 additional questions.
7 Do any of the other Commissioners have any
8 questions?
9 (No response.)
10 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. So now -- is now the time
11 for a statement from Mr. Stanley or Mr. Sloan?
12 MS. COADY: Absolutely.
13 CHAIRMAN MEYER: 'Kay. Okay.
14 Mr. Stanley, Mr. Sloan, I leave it to whichever one
15 of you wants to address the Commission.
16 MR. STANLEY: This is --
17 MR. SLOAN: Thank you, Chairman. I'll speak
18 briefly and then I'll introduce Mr. Stanley who is
19 representing me in this matter.
20 As the Commission knows, the background on this has
21 been going on for approximately two years. This --
22 Mr. Stanley is here specifically to speak to the legal
23 arguments with regard to the public policy question that's
24 being put in front of the Court, so I'll turn it over to
25 Mr. Stanley.

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1 court would say, well, there's a public policy issue here,
2 let's hear from this interest -- this body of interest,
3 because an appellate decision is going to be reported, it's
4 going to be the law that all the judge -- judges have to
5 follow; and the positions of the parties who are simply
6 litigating, generally speaking about money, don't
7 necessarily reflect all of the policy considerations that
8 the new law made by a decision in the case might -- might
9 affect.
10 So that was the original -- origin. It's become
11 more formalized, of course, over the years.
12 In Arizona all state agencies have a right to
13 present themselves as amici curiae, "friends of the court."
14 And other agents -- other parties, individuals, agencies,
15 groups, associations, have to apply to the court in each
16 case and say: We are whoever we represent or whatever
17 interest we represent, and we think the court should have
18 the benefit of our perspective on these issues, and then the
19 Court decides whether it -- it thinks that is appropriate or
20 not.
21 But as a -- as a state agency you don't have to
22 take that step.
23 I think it's appropriate for the Commission to
24 allow its attorneys to monitor what's going on in the
25 appeal, what the issues in -- in Mr. Sloan's appeal are, and

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1 MR. STANLEY: This is Brian Stanley speaking for
2 Eric Sloan.
3 Eric Sloan has appealed from the judgment in the
4 Superior Court case so it's now going to be in the Court of
5 Appeals.
6 The fact that there's an investigation or a
7 charge -- a complaint actually -- still pending to which The
8 Power of Fives has responded with a lawsuit keys up the fact
9 that there is a controversy there, a controversy that
10 basically revolves around the legality of the arrangements
11 that Power of Fives is making with prospective clean
12 elections candidates; and I assume is still trying to make
13 with or will in the future continue to try to make.
14 And I don't need to go into the issues that the
15 Clean Elections Commission has with the -- with the Power of
16 Fives' contract 'cause that's already the subject of the
17 lawsuit, but we're talking about what the Commission might
18 be interested in doing with respect to the pending appeal.
19 So let me just start out with a brief overview of
20 the amicus curiae process. Amicus curiae, as you probably
21 all know, means "friend of the court." And it's a long
22 tradition that appellate courts, in the old days they would
23 take the initiative or spontaneously reach out to specially
24 interested public bodies to get perspective, whether it will
25 be a private trade association or a government agency, the

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1 how they affect the perspective of the Commission as -- as
2 it involves the same issues that it's litigating with The
3 Power of Fives in the -- the action.
4 I mean, they're unrelated actions except that the
5 policy considerations that the Commission thinks are
6 important may be affected by a decision in the -- in
7 Mr. Sloan's case, and the Commission has the right to get
8 its perspective before the appellate court for that reason.
9 So I think it's appropriate for the Commission to
10 authorize its staff attorneys to monitor and to make
11 recommendations as to whether the Commission should file an
12 amicus. The brief of an amicus doesn't have to 100 percent
13 support the position of any party in the appeal, it can just
14 be limited to saying, well, we are such and such a
15 Commission and our interest is, you know, in clean
16 elections, and here's our perspective on this particular
17 legal point or points that are at issue in the -- in the
18 appeal.
19 And that -- the amici get to see all the briefs,
20 they're kind of the last party to be heard when the -- when
21 amici are involved in an appeal, because they -- their
22 briefs aren't due until after the last briefs of the parties
23 themselves.
24 So I'm estimating that it will be something in the
25 neighborhood of 90 days, probably maybe a little bit more,

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<p style="text-align: right;">42</p> <p>1 that a decision to present an amicus brief or not would have</p> <p>2 to be made. So what I think the Commission can do at this</p> <p>3 point is authorize the staff attorneys to -- to monitor the</p> <p>4 case, the appeal for that purpose, and to make a</p> <p>5 recommendation after the briefs are filed, the parties'</p> <p>6 briefs are filed, as to whether the Commission wants to --</p> <p>7 to submit an amicus brief.</p> <p>8 And I have to defer to the knowledge of the -- of</p> <p>9 the staff attorneys in terms of whether they would also need</p> <p>10 to coordinate with the Attorney General's office in terms of</p> <p>11 the actual preparation of a brief, but for the staff to be</p> <p>12 authorized to -- to initiate those communications if</p> <p>13 necessary or to prepare a recommendation as to the</p> <p>14 presentation of an amicus brief at -- when the time comes.</p> <p>15 MR. SLOAN: Mr. Chairman, if I can just add</p> <p>16 something here?</p> <p>17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Mr. Sloan, go ahead.</p> <p>18 MR. SLOAN: You know, as I've said before, I'm not</p> <p>19 an attorney and I'm at quite the disadvantage because there</p> <p>20 are a lot of attorneys on this call, but the primary issue</p> <p>21 here is whether or not this arbitrator in her ignoring of</p> <p>22 the public policy and the policy of the Clean Elections</p> <p>23 Commission will be codified in or would be equivalently</p> <p>24 be -- well, would be case law. Right? That it would</p> <p>25 basically create a pathway for this to continue -- not only</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">43</p> <p>1 to happen in this situation but to continue to happen in</p> <p>2 other situations moving forward.</p> <p>3 And so, you know, as we've talked about before, the</p> <p>4 Commission has made it very clear that the public policy has</p> <p>5 been violated in this situation. There was a repayment</p> <p>6 order because of the violation; I've taken responsibility</p> <p>7 for the violation. You know, we -- you know, we have a</p> <p>8 company that continues to want to violate the public policy</p> <p>9 and the will of this Commission, and this -- this appeal is</p> <p>10 going to be on a variety of issues but specifically to the</p> <p>11 public policy arguments with regards to how it is applied in</p> <p>12 this case and in future cases.</p> <p>13 Thank you.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Mr. Stanley, do you have anything</p> <p>15 to add after Mr. Sloan made those comments?</p> <p>16 MR. STANLEY: Yes. The -- the implications as to</p> <p>17 future cases is going to be there, especially if the Court</p> <p>18 of Appeals opinion is reported.</p> <p>19 You know, it used to be -- when I was first called</p> <p>20 to the Bar, oh, sometime before the flood, courts were</p> <p>21 hostile to arbitration especially where public policy issues</p> <p>22 were involved. That has changed completely during my career</p> <p>23 to a place where the courts are extremely deferential to</p> <p>24 arbitration. Basically it takes something off of their</p> <p>25 plate and leaves it in somebody -- a private party's lap.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">44</p> <p>1 And in my opinion, that pendulum has swung too far,</p> <p>2 especially where public policy issues are concerned.</p> <p>3 It's very common for companies of various kinds to</p> <p>4 have arbitration clauses in their contracts. If you are</p> <p>5 going to be involved with their services, you have to in</p> <p>6 effect sign their form that says you can't go to court, if</p> <p>7 there is a dispute it's going to go to arbitration. That</p> <p>8 kind of a clause was in The Power of Fives' contract that</p> <p>9 they presented to Mr. Sloan and that's why a court has not</p> <p>10 actually been heard on the whole issue of the legality of</p> <p>11 The Power of Fives' contract.</p> <p>12 So it's -- it's a problem for the appeal that</p> <p>13 courts have adopted such a deferential attitude toward the</p> <p>14 arbitrator. In effect, the court could say, well, public</p> <p>15 policy can be disregarded by the arbitrator and, sorry, the</p> <p>16 courts can't do anything about it; and then as long as you</p> <p>17 have operators like Power of Fives that have arbitration</p> <p>18 clauses in their form contracts, you're never going to get a</p> <p>19 court to say whether their contract was legal or not legal,</p> <p>20 it will always be arbitrators.</p> <p>21 But anyway, that's one of the -- the issues</p> <p>22 involved in Mr. Sloan's appeal, but it's also a matter of</p> <p>23 concern I would think to the Commission. If there's ever</p> <p>24 going to be a chance to address some of these concerns in a</p> <p>25 judicial context, the only way for the Commission to have</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">45</p> <p>1 its perspective heard may be through an amicus brief and in</p> <p>2 a case of this kind.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Stanley.</p> <p>4 I -- I don't have any questions for Mr. Stanley or</p> <p>5 Mr. Sloan.</p> <p>6 Do any of my fellow Commissioners have any</p> <p>7 questions?</p> <p>8 (No response.)</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. All right. Hearing none, I</p> <p>10 guess I would suggest that we do a very brief executive</p> <p>11 session to speak with Ms. Coady on this request. I don't --</p> <p>12 we don't need a motion for that, I think we can just -- I</p> <p>13 can call that, correct, Tom?</p> <p>14 MR. COLLINS: Mr. Chairman --</p> <p>15 MS. COADY: I'm sorry, an executive session does</p> <p>16 require a motion and it requires a majority vote to go into</p> <p>17 executive session.</p> <p>18 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. I had that wrong, I</p> <p>19 apologize.</p> <p>20 MR. COLLINS: You can -- you can adjourn it. You</p> <p>21 can adjourn it yourself.</p> <p>22 CHAIRMAN MEYER: I can adjourn it, I just can't</p> <p>23 start it.</p> <p>24 Great. Thank you.</p> <p>25 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Mr. Chairman?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">46</p> <p>1 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yes.</p> <p>2 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I move that we go into</p> <p>3 executive session to discuss this as you said.</p> <p>4 CHAIRMAN MEYER: All right. I have a motion. Is</p> <p>5 there a second?</p> <p>6 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Commissioner Kimble. Second.</p> <p>7 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Great.</p> <p>8 MS. COADY: I -- I'm sorry, I just want to be clear</p> <p>9 that the motion is to go into executive session to receive</p> <p>10 legal advice on this -- this matter?</p> <p>11 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Yes.</p> <p>12 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you.</p> <p>13 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Thank you.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. So we have a motion that --</p> <p>15 and we have a second, so now we'll take a vote. We're going</p> <p>16 to do the roll-call vote.</p> <p>17 Ms. Chan.</p> <p>18 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I vote aye.</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Mr. Kimble.</p> <p>20 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Aye.</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Mr. Paton.</p> <p>22 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.</p> <p>23 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Mr. Titla.</p> <p>24 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Aye.</p> <p>25 CHAIRMAN MEYER: And I'll vote aye as well.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">47</p> <p>1 So that motion passes 5-0. We're going to go into</p> <p>2 executive session.</p> <p>3 It's been a while since we've done this on --</p> <p>4 virtually. Do we end the meeting? How do we -- how do we</p> <p>5 do this?</p> <p>6 MS. HERRING: The live stream will continue and</p> <p>7 those that are to participate in the executive session will</p> <p>8 receive an invitation to join a breakout room.</p> <p>9 So just to confirm, I have Monique, the</p> <p>10 Commissioners, our court reporter, and Tom Collins.</p> <p>11 Is there anyone else that should be joining the</p> <p>12 executive session?</p> <p>13 MS. KARLSON: Tom should not be joining the</p> <p>14 executive session.</p> <p>15 MS. HERRING: Thank you.</p> <p>16 Okay. So then everyone, as I mentioned, will</p> <p>17 receive an invitation to join the breakout; the live stream</p> <p>18 will continue on Zoom for those staying in this Zoom</p> <p>19 meeting; and once those return from the breakout room we can</p> <p>20 go ahead and continue the meeting.</p> <p>21 MS. COADY: So do we need to leave this meeting</p> <p>22 before we join the breakout?</p> <p>23 MS. HERRING: No. So those invited will see an</p> <p>24 invitation to a breakout room, so I'll open that right now.</p> <p>25 (Whereupon the proceeding is in executive session</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">48</p> <p>1 from 10:44 a.m. until 11:06 a.m.)</p> <p>2</p> <p>3 * * * * *</p> <p>4</p> <p>5 (Whereupon all members of the public are present</p> <p>6 and the proceeding resumes in general session.)</p> <p>7 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. We are back. Is everyone</p> <p>8 else still there?</p> <p>9 MS. HERRING: We are here.</p> <p>10 CHAIRMAN MEYER: And do I need to reopen the</p> <p>11 meeting or do we just...</p> <p>12 MS. COADY: You could announce the time, the</p> <p>13 meeting -- we're out of executive session and the meeting is</p> <p>14 reconvening at 11:06 a.m.</p> <p>15 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. So this Damien Meyer, we</p> <p>16 have ended our executive session.</p> <p>17 It's now 11:07 by my watch and we are back in</p> <p>18 general session.</p> <p>19 We did -- we did have executive session and</p> <p>20 obtained advice from counsel.</p> <p>21 I just wanted to comment briefly on the request and</p> <p>22 that is, you know, I -- I think the Commission has made its</p> <p>23 position clear on -- on our record regarding your position</p> <p>24 as to the dispute between Mr. Sloan and Party of Five</p> <p>25 (verbatim); there are ongoing proceedings between the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">49</p> <p>1 Commission and Party of Five, and at the time I don't think</p> <p>2 it's appropriate for the Commission -- or in the interest of</p> <p>3 the Commission to consider filing an amicus brief.</p> <p>4 So at this time I -- you know, I don't -- I don't</p> <p>5 think this is something that the Commission should get</p> <p>6 involved in. That's my position and I open it up to any</p> <p>7 other Commissioners if they want to question me on that or</p> <p>8 have a -- you know, offer their own opinions but that's</p> <p>9 where I am.</p> <p>10 And if no one else has anything to offer I'm happy</p> <p>11 to entertain a motion.</p> <p>12 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Mr. Chairman, I'll just have a</p> <p>13 -- make a brief comment and then, you know, as you</p> <p>14 mentioned, let the other Commissioners if they wish to make</p> <p>15 a statement.</p> <p>16 You know, I would echo what you said. My concerns</p> <p>17 today are twofold. I don't want to give Mr. Sloan and his</p> <p>18 counsel, you know, false hope of how I'm viewing things</p> <p>19 today because, you know, if we continued this, I think there</p> <p>20 might be a belief on their part that we would -- and I don't</p> <p>21 know how the vote is going to go, but for myself I don't</p> <p>22 think I would support an amicus brief filing going forward</p> <p>23 based on what we've heard today; and, you know, that's</p> <p>24 something that is the result of thinking about the</p> <p>25 Commission's interest, the pending cases that we've had and</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

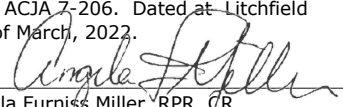

<p style="text-align: right;">50</p> <p>1 have going on, and just the fact that it's not something</p> <p>2 that would be consistent with what the Commission has done</p> <p>3 in the past, you know, to -- to my experience being on the</p> <p>4 Commission.</p> <p>5 I think it would be unusual for an amicus brief and</p> <p>6 I just don't believe it's our role to do so, even though I</p> <p>7 appreciate the arguments that Mr. Sloan and Mr. Stanley have</p> <p>8 made today.</p> <p>9 But I -- I believe that perhaps our transcripts</p> <p>10 could be of help to them in their case. I mean, this is all</p> <p>11 public record of what has occurred, and if they wish to use</p> <p>12 that in their arguments, certainly Power of Fives may wish</p> <p>13 to use it in their arguments, I don't know. But that --</p> <p>14 that's my feelings as of right now.</p> <p>15 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>16 Any other Commissioners have any comments or can I</p> <p>17 entertain a motion?</p> <p>18 COMMISSIONER CHAN: If there's no comments, I will</p> <p>19 make a motion that --</p> <p>20 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Go ahead, Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>21 COMMISSIONER CHAN: -- that based on the current</p> <p>22 information we have, not to file an amicus brief in this</p> <p>23 matter.</p> <p>24 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Just so I understand the</p> <p>25 motion, your motion is: Based upon the current information</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">51</p> <p>1 before the Commission, you move that the Commission not file</p> <p>2 an amicus brief in this pending litigation, Sloan v.</p> <p>3 Party -- sorry --</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Power of Fives.</p> <p>5 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Power of Five (verbatim), thank</p> <p>6 you.</p> <p>7 Do I understand your motion correctly?</p> <p>8 COMMISSIONER CHAN: That is exactly what I wish to</p> <p>9 convey.</p> <p>10 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. And just to clear that</p> <p>11 motion up, I'm sorry.</p> <p>12 The motion is, Amy, that based on the information</p> <p>13 available now, you move that the Commission not file an</p> <p>14 amicus brief in the action of The Power of Fives, LLC versus</p> <p>15 Sloan; is that correct?</p> <p>16 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Correct.</p> <p>17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Is there a second to that</p> <p>18 motion?</p> <p>19 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Mr. Chairman, this is</p> <p>20 Commissioner Kimble. I second the motion.</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay.</p> <p>22 Okay. We have a motion and then we have a second.</p> <p>23 So we'll go ahead and vote and I'm going to call the roll.</p> <p>24 I'm going to start with Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>25 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I vote aye.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">52</p> <p>1 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Kimble.</p> <p>2 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Aye.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.</p> <p>5 CHAIRMAN MEYER: And Commissioner Titla.</p> <p>6 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Aye.</p> <p>7 CHAIRMAN MEYER: And I vote aye as well.</p> <p>8 So we have the motion carries 5-0.</p> <p>9 So with that we'll move on to Agenda Item</p> <p>10 Number VI, which we've already I think sort of discussed a</p> <p>11 bit, but that is discussion and possible action on 2022</p> <p>12 legislative bills on the topics of elections, voting,</p> <p>13 administration, and campaign finance.</p> <p>14 Today is actually the 74th day of the legislative</p> <p>15 session. You may have read recently that a number of</p> <p>16 election bills have stalled in the State Senate, but there</p> <p>17 are still a number of measures out there that raise</p> <p>18 concerns. Staff has a brief update, and if there's any</p> <p>19 questions we'll ask those after the update.</p> <p>20 And I apologize for -- for my eagerness earlier to</p> <p>21 jump ahead on this topic. But please enlighten us, staff</p> <p>22 members.</p> <p>23 MR. COLLINS: Yes, Mr. Chairman, Commissioners. As</p> <p>24 you -- as Mr. Chairman, as you noted, you know, there are a</p> <p>25 number of bills and I think Julian has done a good job of</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">53</p> <p>1 compiling. I think there was something like 14 bills that</p> <p>2 failed on the floor of the Senate in the last two weeks,</p> <p>3 many of which were of -- of I think significant concern to</p> <p>4 the Commission, certainly to the election administratives</p> <p>5 (verbatim) and county recorders of the state.</p> <p>6 That said, I wanted to highlight a couple of bills</p> <p>7 specifically for you. One I think Mike mentioned and we can</p> <p>8 circle back to, is this -- the bill that's now offered to</p> <p>9 strike in the Senate, this is what I think -- I don't know</p> <p>10 who did it, but dubbed the "Kraken Bill." This is the sort</p> <p>11 of notion that the sponsor said his intention was to bring</p> <p>12 elections back to 1958, which for those of us who, you know,</p> <p>13 have a history and know a little bit about history, that is</p> <p>14 before, you know, basically the Voting Rights Act, and</p> <p>15 that's what the implication of that statement is clearly and</p> <p>16 obviously.</p> <p>17 That bill, however, as, you know, County Recorder</p> <p>18 Hansen articulated, in addition to raising a number of</p> <p>19 obvious civil rights issues and -- and issues of fair law</p> <p>20 also, just doesn't work. It is literally unworkable.</p> <p>21 When -- when the county -- County Association's Lobbyist Jen</p> <p>22 Marson testified on it this week, you know, she basically</p> <p>23 told the Senate that it would be impossible -- and it would</p> <p>24 be impossible -- to count -- count votes by hand at the</p> <p>25 precinct level in 24 hours.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">54</p> <p>1 I mean, it's a -- it's -- it's monumentally stupid.</p> <p>2 My hope is that knowing that this would destroy the</p> <p>3 entire election process, that the Senate will not pass it</p> <p>4 out and that certainly the Governor won't -- wouldn't sign</p> <p>5 it. But we are keeping an eye on it; obviously it was a</p> <p>6 bill that was dead in the House and got revived.</p> <p>7 The -- the other bill I think that is worth</p> <p>8 pointing out and it's timely and I do have a request about</p> <p>9 it, there's a bill called House Bill 2492. House Bill 2492</p> <p>10 does a number of things related to proof of citizenship.</p> <p>11 By way of background, in 2004 voters passed at the</p> <p>12 ballot a referendum placed on the ballot by the legislature</p> <p>13 that created a requirement for a voter ID provision in our</p> <p>14 state law and additionally created a -- what is referred to</p> <p>15 as documentary proof of citizenship requirement for voters</p> <p>16 seeking to register to vote.</p> <p>17 Just, you know, as a side note, you know,</p> <p>18 Commissioner Chan, when she was election director and my- --</p> <p>19 and when I was an attorney at the Attorney General's office,</p> <p>20 were both involved in litigating this issue for years.</p> <p>21 We -- the bill, 2492, seeks to revamp this</p> <p>22 provision particularly around the citizenship proof issue,</p> <p>23 and it has some really deeply problematic components.</p> <p>24 Whereas in 2004 when voters passed this initiative, they</p> <p>25 expressly determined that people who had received their --</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">55</p> <p>1 who established -- who had essentially a driver's license on</p> <p>2 file in -- from 1996 forward or backwards and were already</p> <p>3 registered, did not need to provide this additional proof of</p> <p>4 citizenship.</p> <p>5 The way that this bill is crafted it says that</p> <p>6 notwithstanding any other law, in order for a person to vote</p> <p>7 in the -- in the presidential election who hasn't</p> <p>8 provided -- who has not provided this, they would have to</p> <p>9 provide it.</p> <p>10 The issue there is, number one, it expressly</p> <p>11 disenfranchises people who are qualified to vote under</p> <p>12 federal law which has been established by a case that -- I</p> <p>13 mean, that we lost in 2013; and secondly, it would -- by</p> <p>14 notwithstanding that, it would have I think an obvious</p> <p>15 impact on what voters enacted in 2004, which brings in a</p> <p>16 Voter Protection Act issue.</p> <p>17 The third point I'm concerned about is it's very</p> <p>18 confusing. You know, from a voter education perspective</p> <p>19 given all the other things we're dealing with, this would</p> <p>20 inject a whole level of uncertainty and education around who</p> <p>21 is qualified, who is not, and it would center that issue</p> <p>22 around the presidential election which is just -- it's --</p> <p>23 it's -- the potential downside is quite -- quite</p> <p>24 significant.</p> <p>25 I can -- so that's -- that's the upside of that</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">56</p> <p>1 bill.</p> <p>2 I -- I can tell you that the, you know, the</p> <p>3 election -- the County Association has -- has weighed in</p> <p>4 against the bill. I know that the county recorder -- some</p> <p>5 of the county recorders are contemplating and will ask for a</p> <p>6 veto from Governor Ducey, and the Secretary of State's</p> <p>7 office -- or Secretary of State herself, rather, has called</p> <p>8 the Governor to veto this bill.</p> <p>9 Because it implicates the Voter Protection Act, the</p> <p>10 fundamental right to vote, and because it triggers a real</p> <p>11 serious voter education/voter confusion systemic risk issue,</p> <p>12 I actually think in this particular case we may -- I -- I</p> <p>13 think it would be worth communicating to the Governor's</p> <p>14 office our concerns about the bill.</p> <p>15 The fact that it got out of the Senate,</p> <p>16 understandably that makes this not a bipartisan situation,</p> <p>17 this was a party-line vote. However, the legal and systemic</p> <p>18 risk issues here are significant and it's very hard for me</p> <p>19 to sit here and say in view of the bipartisan County</p> <p>20 Association position, that -- that it -- that it's not worth</p> <p>21 communicating to the Governor's office in some way on behalf</p> <p>22 of the Commission.</p> <p>23 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>24 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I just wanted to mention. You</p> <p>25 know, Tom, just to kind of put additional more personal</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">57</p> <p>1 perspective on it, I mean I've been registered to vote in</p> <p>2 Arizona since I was 18, and that is well before the</p> <p>3 requirement for proof of citizenship, it was when we just</p> <p>4 swore that we were citizens and, you know, it was under the</p> <p>5 penalty of perjury.</p> <p>6 So I'm one of the people affected by this bill and</p> <p>7 I imagine quite a few of us others on this, you know, Zoom</p> <p>8 are probably affected by this bill.</p> <p>9 To me that is a huge disenfranchisement hurdle for</p> <p>10 folks registering in addition to the other issues that are</p> <p>11 associated with it. So I just wanted to make sure that</p> <p>12 that's kind of, you know, out there, that we all understand</p> <p>13 how far this reaches.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Sure.</p> <p>15 So any -- any other questions or comments by other</p> <p>16 Commissioners?</p> <p>17 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Mr. Chairman.</p> <p>18 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Kimble.</p> <p>19 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Tom, I want to make sure I</p> <p>20 understand where this bill is. You said it passed the</p> <p>21 Senate; is that right? The paperwork that you sent said it</p> <p>22 passed the House.</p> <p>23 MR. COLLINS: Yeah. Mr. Chairman, Commissioner</p> <p>24 Kimble, thank you. Yes, it passed the Senate literally</p> <p>25 yesterday, so it has now been --</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">58</p> <p>1 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: It did.</p> <p>2 MR. COLLINS: -- it is going to be transmitted to</p> <p>3 the Governor. So, yeah, that is breaking news.</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Okay.</p> <p>5 MR. COLLINS: Yeah, it --</p> <p>6 CHAIRMAN MEYER: What's the number of this?</p> <p>7 MR. COLLINS: -- happened about 5 o'clock yesterday</p> <p>8 afternoon.</p> <p>9 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Someone asked what number it</p> <p>10 is. It's H2492.</p> <p>11 And one other thing, is there an exception for</p> <p>12 people who have the new driver's license with the gold star,</p> <p>13 which I guess you have to show proof of citizenship to get</p> <p>14 which allows you to get on an airplane?</p> <p>15 MR. COLLINS: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Kimble,</p> <p>16 that I -- I do not think there's an exception anywhere.</p> <p>17 What -- in fact, what -- the way I read the bill and -- is</p> <p>18 that it -- you would still have to present that.</p> <p>19 So in other words, the bill is, as I read it, is</p> <p>20 not super clear on what additional procedures might be in</p> <p>21 place. For example, it expands and requires prosecution of</p> <p>22 folks who fill out the paperwork wrong and who are not --</p> <p>23 turn out to be citizens, but it doesn't really articulate</p> <p>24 very well what precisely would be looked at.</p> <p>25 There's another bill that's already on the ballot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">59</p> <p>1 that has to do a little bit more with changing the</p> <p>2 technicality of showing ID, but this bill in that sense I</p> <p>3 don't think it creates those exceptions at all. If anything</p> <p>4 what it does is eliminates standing exceptions that exist.</p> <p>5 So while I -- I certainly believe that it is likely</p> <p>6 that under the bill if someone presented that information to</p> <p>7 the -- to the County Recorder in order to register, the</p> <p>8 notwithstanding clause on the bill in my view makes it</p> <p>9 difficult to avoid at least having to have a new presentment</p> <p>10 potentially of that information.</p> <p>11 Now, it may be and I'm not -- I'm not enough of</p> <p>12 nuanced into what the election administrators' process would</p> <p>13 be if this were to get signed to -- you know, for example,</p> <p>14 there are various databases against which the counties can</p> <p>15 and do compare information that they receive from voters,</p> <p>16 but the -- the -- so that's where it really becomes a</p> <p>17 problem of uncertainty.</p> <p>18 In other words, the plain language of the bill</p> <p>19 says: Notwithstanding any other law, before the next</p> <p>20 presidential election everyone must have complied with this</p> <p>21 section of statute they did not have to previously apply --</p> <p>22 comply with. And so that -- that to me to your point really</p> <p>23 just raises any number of permutations of how that would be</p> <p>24 confusing for no real gain, if you will, in terms of the</p> <p>25 legitimacy of our voter roles.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">60</p> <p>1 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: So just to be clear, so this</p> <p>2 is now being transmitted to the Governor, and what are you</p> <p>3 asking or suggesting that we do?</p> <p>4 Lobby the Governor not to sign it?</p> <p>5 MR. COLLINS: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Kimble,</p> <p>6 yes, I think -- I mean, I think that it's -- I would -- I</p> <p>7 would -- I mean, essentially we would communicate with the</p> <p>8 Governor's general counsel's office and say, look, these are</p> <p>9 serious issues and -- and this bill is not the -- the --</p> <p>10 this bill is essentially not ready for prime time.</p> <p>11 I think that that's -- I mean, we do have and we</p> <p>12 mentioned at the last meeting, we have expressed authority</p> <p>13 to make recommendations on policy issues, not everybody has</p> <p>14 that at the state level, and so it -- it seems to me that</p> <p>15 this falls within the -- the area in which it certainly</p> <p>16 couldn't hurt.</p> <p>17 I don't think that this necessarily needs to be</p> <p>18 a -- you know, I'm not talking about a press release or</p> <p>19 anything like that per se, I think it's simply a matter of</p> <p>20 saying to the Governor's office, look, we have experience in</p> <p>21 voter education, we have experience in the VPA, and we</p> <p>22 have -- in this case we have experience with the</p> <p>23 administration of this proof of citizenship law in Arizona</p> <p>24 over the course of the last, you know, 18 years -- which is</p> <p>25 a shocking amount of time -- and so, you know, given that</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">61</p> <p>1 perspective, you know, this -- this bill, it would be -- it</p> <p>2 would be better for the Governor's office to consider</p> <p>3 vetoing this bill than it would be for the Governor's office</p> <p>4 to let this bill go into law and have the courts sort it</p> <p>5 out.</p> <p>6 The provisions of the bill I should say have been,</p> <p>7 you know, as we've talked -- I've talked about here, the</p> <p>8 legislature heard from their own attorneys that there are</p> <p>9 serious constitutional preemption and other problems with</p> <p>10 the bill, they know that. You know, having worked through</p> <p>11 this process on any number of bills is, you know, it is</p> <p>12 often easier to simply let the court sort it out, right?</p> <p>13 That often becomes a rationale for maybe letting something</p> <p>14 happen that wouldn't otherwise.</p> <p>15 In this particular case I think that it puts the</p> <p>16 courts in a particularly terrible position and it's not</p> <p>17 necessarily a position that we particularly want the courts</p> <p>18 to be put in, because I can just tell you from a narrative</p> <p>19 perspective, I would anticipate some people who support this</p> <p>20 law taking the judiciary to task for, in their view, not</p> <p>21 requiring people to prove citizenship and therefore creating</p> <p>22 somehow a -- falsely creating an impression that noncitizens</p> <p>23 will be voting in the 2024 presidential election.</p> <p>24 That -- that to me is a significant enough</p> <p>25 confusion issue that letting the Court sort it out is not --</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">62</p> <p>1 is not a cost-free proposition for the election system.</p> <p>2 Even if it's a relatively low-cost problem -- solution to</p> <p>3 the political actors in this case.</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Mr. Chairman.</p> <p>5 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Go ahead, Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>6 COMMISSIONER CHAN: From my -- I would support</p> <p>7 sending a veto letter to this bill. I think it's important,</p> <p>8 so.</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Anyone else have any comments?</p> <p>10 COMMISSIONER PATON: This is Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>11 This is one item that I think is -- it's a kooky thing and I</p> <p>12 think we should submit a letter to the Governor.</p> <p>13 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Commissioner Titla, any</p> <p>14 comments?</p> <p>15 (No response.)</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. All right.</p> <p>17 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Yeah, I -- yeah, I agree with</p> <p>18 the comments that the Commissioners have made regarding this</p> <p>19 bill. Sounds like a crazy bill. I don't see how seemingly</p> <p>20 intelligent people at the legislature would come up with</p> <p>21 this kind of kooky ideas and bills. I don't know what to</p> <p>22 say. This flabbergasts me.</p> <p>23 So I will leave it at that, but I agree with you</p> <p>24 all. Thank you.</p> <p>25 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Kimble?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">63</p> <p>1 (No response.)</p> <p>2 CHAIRMAN MEYER: No comment? Thank you.</p> <p>3 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: No, nothing else. Thank you.</p> <p>4 CHAIRMAN MEYER: All right. So Tom, do you need --</p> <p>5 do you need a motion or just -- this is just enough to ask</p> <p>6 you to do this, correct? Because I support -- I'm with</p> <p>7 Commissioner Chan and Commissioner Titla and I believe</p> <p>8 Commissioner Kimble as well, just to confirm and I see him</p> <p>9 nodding --</p> <p>10 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Yes.</p> <p>11 CHAIRMAN MEYER: -- that we would like you to</p> <p>12 send -- send a letter to the Governor's office.</p> <p>13 MS. KARLSON: Yeah.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Or take whatever, you know,</p> <p>15 lobbying measures I think you see fit on this.</p> <p>16 MR. COLLINS: Sure. Mr. Chairman, I mean, my view</p> <p>17 is the record is clear and there is not a requirement to</p> <p>18 vote on this, so.</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay.</p> <p>20 So that's Agenda VI. Are there any other bills we</p> <p>21 want to discuss on Agenda Item VI?</p> <p>22 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Could I just make one other</p> <p>23 comment, Mr. Chairman?</p> <p>24 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yes.</p> <p>25 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: I think it would be helpful</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">64</p> <p>1 to point out in a letter or whatever form of communication</p> <p>2 this take -- this takes, that the Commission unanimously</p> <p>3 supports you in this, Commissioners of both political</p> <p>4 parties, and no political parties support you in this.</p> <p>5 MR. COLLINS: Mr. -- Mr. Chairman I -- I think that</p> <p>6 was a question. I mean, again, I -- I think we can say that</p> <p>7 based on this record --</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Yeah.</p> <p>9 MR. COLLINS: -- without the -- without helping.</p> <p>10 But -- and before Mr. Chairman before --</p> <p>11 Mr. Chairman, before we move on, there's one other bill I</p> <p>12 want to highlight that I think is important. I apologize,</p> <p>13 there's just one more bill.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Oh. No, that's okay.</p> <p>15 MR. COLLINS: But I want to make sure, I think I</p> <p>16 answered Mr. Kimble's question.</p> <p>17 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Yes, you did. Thank you.</p> <p>18 MR. COLLINS: Okay.</p> <p>19 The other bill that's out there and, you know,</p> <p>20 we're tracking it yesterday and we're not sure exactly where</p> <p>21 it's going but it's -- it's a Hispanic concurrent resolution</p> <p>22 that would again make a number of changes to early voting,</p> <p>23 limiting early voting and -- and create -- it's called</p> <p>24 SCR1032.</p> <p>25 The reason why that bill matters and we -- we will</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">65</p> <p>1 see where it goes, but I just want to put it on your</p> <p>2 radar -- is it requires the Clean -- it would go to the</p> <p>3 voters and it would require among other things the Clean</p> <p>4 Elections Commission to essentially pick up the tab for all</p> <p>5 costs associated with eliminating early voting in the state.</p> <p>6 So it -- it's a -- we'll see if that gets any legs.</p> <p>7 It's got a lot of real serious technical problems like --</p> <p>8 like the other bills we talked about here. It's not -- you</p> <p>9 know, just -- it's something we're tracking and I want</p> <p>10 you-all to be aware of.</p> <p>11 It's not a bill that would go through the Governor,</p> <p>12 and that -- that's just an important thing to -- to -- for</p> <p>13 you-all to be aware of because of it being a referendum.</p> <p>14 So that was the other bill that I wanted to make</p> <p>15 sure that we got mentioned.</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay.</p> <p>17 Okay. Any questions or comments on that bill?</p> <p>18 Do you need directive from us on that, Tom?</p> <p>19 (No response.)</p> <p>20 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay.</p> <p>21 MR. COLLINS: No. No, Mr. Chairman. Not at this</p> <p>22 time.</p> <p>23 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Any other questions or comments on</p> <p>24 Agenda Item VI before we move on?</p> <p>25 Okay. Agenda Item Number VII, discussion and</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">66</p> <p>1 possible action on E-Qual electronic system for candidate 2 petitions, candidate qualifications for the ballot and 3 qualifying contributions for participating candidates. 4 As expected last week, the Secretary of State's 5 office took the E-Qual electronic petition system offline to 6 legislative candidates to allow the updated districts based 7 on changes to the voter registration system because of 8 redistricting. 9 Staff, do you have a quick update on where things 10 stand? Tom, please fill us in. 11 MR. COLLINS: Yeah, yes. Mr. Chairman, 12 Commissioners, thank you. 13 Just real briefly, I touched on this in the 14 Executive Director's report portion of the meeting. You 15 know, the issues surrounding how the E-Qual system, so -- so 16 in 2011 the legislature authorized and the Secretary of 17 State's office started implement (verbatim) a way for people 18 to sign petitions for candidates and to give qualifying 19 contributions to clean candidates through an electronic 20 portal called E-Qual. 21 In December we learned that -- that the 22 redistricting would have some complicating factors because 23 of the way the E-Qual pings off of this program called AVID. 24 There's two computer programs at issue: The E-Qual system, 25 which then is locked into AVID which is the voter</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">67</p> <p>1 registration system. 2 The reason it's locked into the voter registration 3 system is that what E-Qual does is it pings the voter's 4 information off of the voter registration system in order to 5 determine if that voter is, in fact, eligible to sign a 6 petition. 7 With legislative districts obviously that's more 8 complicated than statewide because of the issues with the, 9 you know -- so this year being redistricting year, you know, 10 there is -- there are -- there is some interaction there. 11 In December we learned that -- that would have to 12 be taken -- that that -- that those changes that require 13 action at the county level would require the electronic -- 14 the E-Qual system to come offline. The Secretary's office 15 starting in December then started communicating to 16 candidates about that; we've tried to amplify that to 17 candidates. 18 I know that, you know, I saw and I think that -- 19 and I assume it was widespread although that's certainly 20 anecdotally, efforts by campaign parties and others to 21 ensure folks understood that this deadline was approaching. 22 And so the Secretary's office, you know, 23 communicated I want to say I think 11 times or something 24 like that, I can't remember the precise number, with 25 candidates.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">68</p> <p>1 You know, the reason -- this did cause, you know, 2 concern I think at the outset because, you know, it -- it 3 was not communicated early enough perhaps than it should 4 have been; I certainly think that. But, you know, and I 5 also -- we made clear, particularly to the press, although 6 it never made it into in any story, that we did not want to 7 exaggerate the scope of the problem. 8 And -- and so -- and so now that we are now past 9 the date for the switchover, I'm hopeful -- and I said to 10 the press again although this did make the paper, that I'm 11 hopeful that this will not be a big deal. We have not 12 received to my knowledge any complaints ourself. 13 This situation sort of became more tenuous or 14 problematic, there was interaction with the Attorney 15 General's office election integrity unit and the Secretary's 16 office. We talked about the last couple of months, first 17 the Attorney General's Office sent a letter to the 18 Secretary's office threatening some form of prosecution, the 19 Secretary's office then sued the Attorney General's office. 20 That case is still pending, however -- and then the Attorney 21 General's office last week began soliciting complaints from 22 anyone who was not able to use the E-Qual system that wanted 23 to. 24 No, I have not seen any update yet about whether or 25 not they have received any complaints but, again, we have</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">69</p> <p>1 not. 2 We don't administrate the E-Qual system, don't get 3 me wrong; we are not the right place to make complaints, but 4 we are a place where people complain. 5 And so we hope at this point that this will be 6 behind us. We don't have a firm date yet as to when the 7 system may come back online for qualifying contributions. 8 We know candidates have been -- since the window was open, 9 candidates have been filing their petitions. The time to 10 qualify for clean elections funding is a little longer than 11 the time to qualify for the ballot, so as we get updated 12 about that, you know, we will communicate that or attempt to 13 amplify the Secretary's communication on that issue. 14 So that concludes my report on this. If -- if -- 15 if, Mr. Chairman, anyone has any questions about that. 16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: So Tom, are we still sort of in 17 observation mode on this, then? We just sit back and -- go 18 ahead. 19 MR. COLLINS: Mr. Chairman, yes. My -- my view at 20 this point is that, you know, look, we've communicated with 21 the -- I should say I have communicated with the county, 22 with -- with the -- with some of the bigger counties; I've 23 communicated with Yavapai, I've communicated with Maricopa. 24 I have not seen any evidence that there's anything that is 25 going to hang up candidates in some way that we are not</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

<p>70</p> <p>1 anticipating, so.</p> <p>2 And certainly given that the -- the -- the window</p> <p>3 or the -- the system came offline and we have not heard</p> <p>4 anything really makes me hope that this is not a big -- just</p> <p>5 becomes not a big deal.</p> <p>6 So I -- I certainly -- what I don't think at this</p> <p>7 point, given the Attorney General's actions, that it would</p> <p>8 benefit us or anyone at this point to try to -- to create</p> <p>9 any further, you know, consternation about this. You know,</p> <p>10 our main point is just to try to make sure folks have the</p> <p>11 information from their county recorders and secretary's</p> <p>12 office they need; and, you know, if something comes up, you</p> <p>13 know, I mean, it's always possible. But there's nothing</p> <p>14 that we would need to do affirmatively at that -- at this</p> <p>15 point that I'm -- that I'm aware of.</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Any questions or comments for Tom</p> <p>17 on this issue?</p> <p>18 (No response.)</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. Thank you, Tom.</p> <p>20 We'll move on to Agenda Item Number VII, which is</p> <p>21 public comment.</p> <p>22 This is the time for consideration of comments and</p> <p>23 suggestions from the public. Action taken as a result of</p> <p>24 public comment will be limited to directing staff to study</p> <p>25 the matter or rescheduling the matter for further</p> <p>Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p>71</p> <p>1 consideration and decision at a later date or responding to</p> <p>2 criticism.</p> <p>3 Does any member of the public wish to make comments</p> <p>4 at this time?</p> <p>5 You may also send comments to the Commission by</p> <p>6 mail or e-mail at CCEC@azcleelections.gov.</p> <p>7 Is there anyone on the line for public comment?</p> <p>8 (No response.)</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN MEYER: I don't see anyone but -- anyone</p> <p>10 there? Please let me know.</p> <p>11 Okay. So no one here for public comment.</p> <p>12 Agenda Item Number IX is adjournment. Is there a</p> <p>13 motion to adjourn?</p> <p>14 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Mr. Chair.</p> <p>15 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Mr. Chairman.</p> <p>16 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Motion to adjourn.</p> <p>17 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Commissioner Titla,</p> <p>18 motion to adjourn.</p> <p>19 Is there a second?</p> <p>20 COMMISSIONER CHAN: I'll second it.</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN MEYER: All right. Commissioner Chan,</p> <p>22 thank you.</p> <p>23 We have a motion to adjourn, it's been seconded.</p> <p>24 I'm going to call the roll. Commissioner Kimble.</p> <p>25 COMMISSIONER KIMBLE: Aye.</p> <p>Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>
<p>72</p> <p>1 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>2 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.</p> <p>5 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Commissioner Titla.</p> <p>6 Commissioner Titla.</p> <p>7 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Aye.</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Okay. And I vote aye as well, so</p> <p>9 the motion --</p> <p>10 COMMISSIONER TITLA: Aye.</p> <p>11 CHAIRMAN MEYER: Thank you, Commissioner Titla, I</p> <p>12 got you.</p> <p>13 I vote aye as well.</p> <p>14 Motion carries 5 to 0. We are adjourned. Thank</p> <p>15 you, everybody.</p> <p>16 (Whereupon the meeting concludes at 11:41 a.m.)</p> <p>17</p> <p>18</p> <p>19</p> <p>20</p> <p>21</p> <p>22</p> <p>23</p> <p>24</p> <p>25</p> <p>Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>	<p>73</p> <p>1 CERTIFICATE</p> <p>2</p> <p>3 STATE OF ARIZONA)</p> <p>4) ss.</p> <p>5 COUNTY OF MARICOPA)</p> <p>6</p> <p>7 BE IT KNOWN that the foregoing proceedings were</p> <p>8 taken before me, Angela Furniss Miller, Certified Reporter</p> <p>9 No. 50127, all done to the best of my skill and ability;</p> <p>10 that the proceedings were taken down by me in shorthand and</p> <p>11 thereafter reduced to print under my direction.</p> <p>12</p> <p>13 I CERTIFY that I am in no way related to any of the</p> <p>14 parties hereto nor am I in any way interested in the outcome</p> <p>15 thereof.</p> <p>16</p> <p>17 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I have complied with the</p> <p>18 requirements set forth in ACJA 7-206. Dated at Litchfield</p> <p>19 Park, Arizona, this 29th of March, 2022.</p> <p>20</p> <p>21  Angela Furniss Miller, RPR, CR CERTIFIED REPORTER (AZ50127)</p> <p>22</p> <p>23 * * *</p> <p>24</p> <p>25 I CERTIFY that Miller Certified Reporting, LLC, has</p> <p>complied with the requirements set forth in ACJA 7-201 and</p> <p>7-206. Dated at LITCHFIELD PARK, Arizona, this 29th of</p> <p>March, 2022.</p> <p> Miller Certified Reporting, LLC Arizona RRF No. R1058</p> <p>Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p>

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CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
May 19, 2022

Announcements:

Avery was selected as a Flinn-Brown Fellow with the Arizona Center for Civic Leadership. As a Fellow, Avery will participate in a 12-session policy institute that offers unparalleled rigorous learning about Arizona policy and politics—and connections with top state leaders and policy experts. The Academy begins in August and concludes with the annual Flinn-Brown Convention in November, a day-long professional-development gathering for the entire Flinn-Brown Network. Twenty-seven leaders across the state, were selected from a highly competitive pool for the civic leadership academy. Avery is the fourth fellow to come from Clean Elections.

Staff is working on the Voter Education Guide, which will begin arriving in mailboxes the week of June 24th. There are 35 statewide candidates and 197 legislative candidates. The voter education guide is especially important for voters this year as the guide will identify their new legislative district since redistricting and the candidates seeking election in those new districts.

Primary election debates are underway. Legislative debates are streamed live on YouTube and statewide debates are broadcast on AZ PBS. The debate schedule and videos of past debates are available on the Clean Elections website.

CCEC is sponsoring the Navajo Voters Coalition Conference on Friday, June 17th in conjunction with the Navajo Nation.

Independent Expenditure reports for state and legislative offices can be filed with the Secretary of State's office. Filers need to contact 602-542-8683 or campaignfinance@azsos.gov for questions on how to file.

Voter Education:

- Staff recorded voter education videos in American Sign Language in partnership with the Arizona Center for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing.
- Gina presented to AARP members during their event, "Virtual Day at the Legislature", regarding the midterm elections.
- To highlight the importance of debates, the candidate statement pamphlet and the importance of participation, staff has been coordinating a multi-faceted outreach campaign. The effort includes:
 - Working with OH Predictive Insights we developed a survey of voters around the state on issues they want to hear more information about from candidates.
 - Recorded voter education videos with subject matter experts in the fields of healthcare, k-12 education, water and the budget. These subjects were identified as top priorities for voters and help connect voters to what matters most to them and the voting process.
 - Working with the Center for the Future of Arizona to create a resource hub for voters and candidates on the Clean Elections website to access data regarding the top issues and priorities for voters.

- The survey and other aspects of this outreach effort have been featured in Independent News Media news websites, Cronkite News, Yuma Public Radio (KAWC), Arizona PBS, Arizona Radio News.

Outreach:

- Gina presented to the ASU Spirit of Service Scholars (a program at the Watts College of Public Service & Community Solutions) about the midterm elections.
- Avery participated in the MCC Community event at Mesa and Red Mountain campuses to inform and register college student voters
- The Voter Ed team attended the Election Officials of AZ Virtual Spring Conference
- Gina and Avery collaborated with the Arizona Department of Education for the 9th Annual Civic Learning Conference
- Avery continued to represent the Commission among election stakeholders including: African American Legislative Committee, Secretary of State's Voter Outreach Council, Secretary of State Youth Committee. Gina and Avery meet bi-monthly with Arizona Native Vote communication group
- Avery continues to collaborate with the ASU Design Studio for Community Solutions working with High School students from the Maryvale area
- Avery met with Vivian Chang, Civic Engagement & Racial Justice Director, with the Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance to talk about civic engagement in the Asian American community. He also met with National Field Director of the Asian & Pacific Islander American Vote organization, Raymond Partolan to discuss civic engagement.
- Avery is collaborating with June Shorthair of the Phoenix Indian Center to create an PHX Indian Center VR & Candidate Forum Event
- Avery appeared at the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community's May The Vote Be With You Event to educate the community on Clean Elections voter resources. He also appeared at the AZ Townhall "Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness" Background Report Launch. Tom and Avery participated in the Celebrate Mesa 2022 event.

Administration and Enforcement

- **Upcoming Office Relocation**
Due to the DOA building consolidation project, our office, the AZ Pharmacy Board and State Land Dept. will be relocating to the 1110 W. Washington building on Friday, July 22nd. Paula & Mike are currently working with the General Services Division (GSD) project reps on space planning, design and move logistics.

- **Legal**

- Legacy Foundation Action Fund v. Clean Elections
 - Petition for Review filed 2.18.2022
 - Commission's response filed last month.
- The Power of Fives, LLC v. Clean Elections, CV2021-015826, Superior Court for Maricopa County
 - Pending.
- Election cases involving Arizona
 - Senate ballot review questions remain active.
 - Oral argument was held earlier this month in a public records related matter. Fann et al. v. Kemp (American Oversight), CV-22-0018-PR.
 - The Attorney General's Office issued what it calls an Interim Report based on its inquiries into the 2020 election. <https://www.azag.gov/sites/default/files/2022-04/2022-04-06%20Fann%20letter.pdf>. Maricopa County and the Maricopa County Recorder issued a response. <https://www.maricopa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/75204/Recorder-BOS-AG-Response-with-Exhibits-5-3-22>
 - The Attorney General filed a lawsuit along with the Yavapai County GOP and a voter over the Election Procedures Manual. The manual, which is drafted by the Secretary of State's Office, was submitted last year. The Attorney General did not sign off on it. In the lawsuit he seeks to compel the inclusion of some policies and prevent the inclusion of others. The matter is still pending.
 - Arizona Republican Party v. Hobbs, No. CV-22-0048-SA.
 - Special Action filed by the Republican Party seeking to end ballot by mail among other things was rejected by the Arizona Supreme Court.
 - Hansen v. Finchem, No. CV-22-0099-AP/EL.
 - In an order, the Arizona Supreme Court affirmed the Superior Court conclusion that the state statute at issue did not allow the disqualification of candidates for Congress or the Secretary of State for alleged violation of the 14th Amendment Disqualification Clause. <https://arizonaslaw.blogspot.com/2022/05/update-az-supreme-court-denies-1st-of-3.html>
- Recent federal court actions.
 - A federal lawsuit was filed by some statewide candidates attempting to block the use of electronic ballot tabulation machines. That Complaint is pending.
 - A number of plaintiffs have filed actions seeking to enjoin HB2492, the proof of citizenship measure that passed in March.

- Post remand motions in a Democratic challenge to the order in which candidates appear on the ballot is pending.
- A tentative order from the district court on challenges to the 2020 measures changing the PEVL to the AEVL (placing limits on how long a person can stay on the early voting list when they have not voted early) and to a measure on signature curing for mail ballots was issued Tuesday. The tentative ruling largely supports the state's argument that burdens on specific groups of voters of these measures are not distinguishable from other general externalities voters encounter, and that other states have more restrictive measures (or offer limited options). Other claims the court suggested were likely to survive a motion to dismiss.
- For more details on any of these, contact Tom.
- Campaign finance
 - Federal Election Comm'n v. Ted Cruz for Senate, 596 U.S. ____ (2022). In a 6-3 decision the Court held part of McCain Feingold that restricted the timing of a candidate seeking repayment of their own personal loans to campaign was an unconstitutional infringement on the right to free speech.

Appointments

- No additional information at this time

Secretary of State

- Gina presented and served as a facilitator during the Secretary of State's Office table top exercise (TTX) on election security. County Recorders, Election Directors, Board of Supervisors, County and State IT, and various law enforcement agencies at the state and federal level were present for this all-day exercise. The TTX was created by Ken Matta and designed to walk election officials and others through worst case scenarios that could impact an election.
- Amy and Tom will present to election law lawyers at the State Bar of Arizona's biennial Election Law CLE. Other election administrators scheduled to speak include Recorders Leslie Hoffman and Stephen Richer, as well as Cochise County's Lisa Marra.

Enforcement

- MUR 21-01, TPOF, pending.
- MUR 21-02, Freedom's Future Fund, pending.

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
HB2839: candidate nominations; signatures; redistricting	Rep. Bowers (R)	Substitute for SB1719	For various elective candidates, nomination petitions are to be signed by a specified number of qualified signers that is equal to the requirements detailed in statute. If new boundaries for congressional, legislative or supervisorial districts or justice or election precincts are established and effective subsequent to January 2 of the year of a general election and before the date for filing of nomination petitions, the required number of signatures is modified. The basis for determining the required number of nomination petition signatures in that case is the number of qualified signers in the elective office, district or precinct that was effective on January 2 of the year of a general election	None.	Passed House Final Read 58-0. Passed Senate Third Read 27-0-3. Transmitted to Governor 3/3. Signed by the Governor on 3/3/2022 with Emergency Declaration.
H2492: voter registration; verification; citizenship	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	Except for a form produced by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, any application for voter registration is required to be accompanied by satisfactory evidence of citizenship, and the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to reject any application for registration that is not accompanied by satisfactory evidence of citizenship. A county recorder or other officer in charge of elections who fails to reject an application for registration in these circumstances is guilty of a class 6 (lowest) felony. The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to use all available resources to verify the citizenship status of an applicant for voter registration. A person who registers to vote is required to provide an identifying document that establishes proof of location of residence. A person who has registered to vote and who has not provided satisfactory evidence of citizenship is not eligible to vote in presidential elections. A person who has not provided satisfactory evidence of citizenship and who is eligible to vote only for federal offices is not eligible to receive an early ballot by mail. Amendment: Removes 30 day notice return stipulation, must prove citizenship to vote in the PPE or by mail, AG must prosecute individuals who are found not to be U.S. Citizens. County Recorder to provide voter registration verification	Voter Education for changes to voter registration requirements and mail ballot eligibility. Concern over possible retroactivity citizenship check.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 5-2, Passed House 31-26. DP Senate Jud. 5-3. PFC Senate Rules. Passed Senate Floor 16-12-2. Signed by the Governor 3/30/22.

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
S1355: campaign finance report; due date	Sen. Livingston (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The due date for campaign finance reports covering a calendar quarter without an election is moved to the 3rd Monday in the month after the calendar quarter, instead of the 15th day after the calendar quarter.	Campaign finance due date change.	Senate Government 7-0, Rules PFC, Senate 29-0-1, House Government DP 11-0, House Rules C&P 7-0. Passed Senate Floor 53-0-7. Signed by the Governor on 4/26/2022.
SCR1012: voter identification; affidavit; procedure	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to modify the type of identification that a voter may present in order to receive a ballot to require one valid and unexpired form of identification that includes a photograph, and to require a second form of identification if the photo identification does not have an address or the address does not match the address in the precinct register. The Department of Transportation is prohibited from charging a fee for issuing a nonoperating identification license if a person attests on the application that the person has applied for the license in order to comply with any legal requirements related to registering to vote or voting. Early ballot affidavits must require the voter to provide the voter's "early voter identification" (defined as the voter's Arizona driver license or nonoperating identification number, the last four digits of the voter's social security number, or the unique identifying number in the statewide electronic voter registration database as assigned by the Secretary of State) number and the voter's date of birth and signature. Any qualified Arizona voter has standing to file a special action to require any official to enforce the requirements of this legislation if the official has a legal duty to do so, and to file a declaratory judgment action to determine the proper construction of this legislation. Applies to elections beginning no later than the 2024 primary election. Severability clause.	Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Pass Senate 16-12. Passed House 31-26. Transmitted to Secretary of State 3/01/2022.

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
H2238: ballot drop boxes; prohibition	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	County Recorder or other election official may not use unmonitored ballot drop boxes. Amendment: Video surveillance 24hrs/day. Maintain records for 4 years. Select locations okay. Amendment: Counties to provide staff to monitor drop boxes inside a government building/and or other site used by the County Recorder or officer in charge of the Elections.	Concern over language that may inhibit the use of the Pinal Voter Education Van.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 5-3, Passed House 31-27. DP Senate Gov. 4-3. Senate Rules PFC.
H2289: challengers; polling places; tabulation observation S/E relating to elections; identification; revisions; tabulation; mail-in	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	The county chairman of each political party is required, instead of allowed, to designate a party agent or representative who may act as challengers for the party. One challenger for each political party is required to be present at each voting place, and the party representative is required to remain in the polling place until completion of the tabulation of votes and transmittal or delivery of the results to the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections. Prohibits the use of electronic voting and tabulating devices, unless required to comply with accessibility requirements. Requires paper ballots to be used in all elections and counted by hand and returns to be made within 24 hours of polls closing. Restricts eligibility to vote an absentee ballot to only an elector that meets one of four specified criteria and repeals the Active Early Voting List (AEVL). Repeals authorization and requirements related to voting centers, emergency voting centers, on-site early voting, the duplication of ballots and electronic vote adjudication.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28. DP/SE Senate Gov 4-3,
H2023: Electronic Ballot Images; Public Record	Rep. Finchem (R)		After the polls are closed, the officer in charge of elections is required to make available to the public an online copy of any digital images of ballots in a manner that allows the images to be searchable by precinct but that precludes any alteration of the images. States that the digital images of the ballots are public records.	Possible education to not put any identifying material on ballots.	
H2041: ballot fraud countermeasures; paper; ink	Rep. Biasiucci (R)	House: Government, Rules	Any vendor that provides fraud countermeasures that are contained in and on the paper used for ballots is required to be ISO 27001 certified, ISO 17025 certified, or ISO 9001:2015 certified. Ballot fraud countermeasures are required to include all of a list of 19 specified features, including watermarking, secure holographic foil, security inks, invisible ultraviolet microtext, a serialized black QR code, and a paper receipt for the voter. The Legislature is required to appropriate sufficient monies to the State Treasurer to provide counties with the ballot paper prescribed by this legislation. Applies to the regular general election in 2022 and all elections held in 2024 and later. Appropriates an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the State Treasurer for the purchase of antifraud ballot paper meeting these requirements.	None. Unique barcode tracking to vote brings up questions regarding State Constitution, Article 7, Section 1.	Government: Held

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H2059: early voting; boxes; observers; electioneering	Rep. Blackman (R)	House: Government, Rules	County recorders or other officers in charge of elections are prohibited from using an unmonitored drop box for receiving voted early ballots. For any drop boxes that are used to receive voted early ballots, the county board of supervisors is required to furnish three notices that electioneering is prohibited within 75 feet of the drop box. Voters who have delivered their ballots are required to promptly move outside the 75-foot limit. Increases the criminal classification of a list of unlawful acts by voters, including electioneering within the 75-foot limit, hindering the voting of others, and voting in a county in which the voter no longer resides, to a class 6 (lowest) felony, from a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	None.	
H2071: early ballots; postmark date; receipt	Rep. Cook (R)	House: Government, Rules	An early ballot and affidavit that is postmarked by U.S. mail on or before the sixth day before election day is valid and eligible to be counted if received no later than five days after election day. Effective January 1, 2023.	Voter Education.	
H2077: candidates; school; local; electronic signatures	Rep. Pawlik (D)		The list of candidates that may gather petition signatures through a secure internet portal system provided by the Secretary of State is expanded to include candidates for school board office and any office for which a county administers the election.	None.	
H2078: initiative; referendum; signatures; electronic submittal	Rep. Pawlik (D)		The Secretary of State is required to provide a system for qualified electors to sign initiative and referendum petitions by way of a secure internet portal. The system is required to verify the qualified elector's identity and allow only qualified electors who are eligible to sign the initiative or referendum petition to do so. The person or organization that files the application for initiative or referendum petition may choose to collect up to one-half of the number of signatures required by use of the online signature collection system.	None.	
H2080: hand count; electronic tabulation verification	Rep. Finchem (R)		For the regular primary and general elections, all ballots are required to be counted by hand, and machines or devices for electronic tabulation of ballots can be used only for quality control checks or to otherwise verify the hand count of ballots. When the court orders a recount of votes that were tabulated by hand, the recount must be a hand count and the court is allowed to order the use of tabulating equipment to verify the results of the hand recount. Effective January 1, 2023.	Depending on administration, may require voter education efforts pertaining to the length of time it will take to tabulate vote totals.	
H2092: ballot measure amendments	Rep. Salman (D)		Various changes to statutes relating to initiative and referendum measures. Repeals statute requiring constitutional and statutory requirements for statewide initiative measures to be strictly construed and requiring persons using the initiative process to strictly comply with those constitutional and statutory requirements. At any time before a person or organization submits an application for initiative petition or referendum petition, a political committee that intends to file that application is allowed to submit the proposed description of the principal provisions of the measure to the Attorney General for a determination of whether the description is lawful and sufficient. The Attorney General is required to approve or reject the description within ten days after submittal. If rejected, the Attorney General must state the reasons for the rejection. If approved, any challenge to the description must be filed in the superior court within ten days after the Attorney General's approval. Repeals statute allowing a political committee that intends to support or oppose an initiative or referendum measure to submit a copy of the text of the proposed law, referral or constitutional amendment to the director of the Legislative Council to prepare recommendations to improve the text of the proposed measure. Contains a legislative intent clause.	None.	
H2094: early ballot collection; limitations; repeal	Rep. Salman (D)		It is no longer a class 6 (lowest) felony to knowingly collect voted or unvoted early ballots from another person.	None.	

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H2109: election celebration day	Rep. Biasiucci (R)	House: Government, Rules	The day of the general election, every other year, is designated Election Celebration Day, which is not a legal holiday.	None.	
H2170: election mailings; third-party disclosures	Rep. Kavanagh (R)	House: Government, Rules	Requires the words not from a government agency to be included on official election-related documents from the county recorder or Secretary of State that are delivered by a third-party.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 32-27. Passed Senate Gov. 4-3.
H2194: national popular vote; interstate agreement	Rep. Powers Hannley (D)		Establishes an agreement among the states to elect the U.S. President by national popular vote.	Requires other states to agree to forgo the electoral process. None impact at the moment.	
H2236: voter registration; request required	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	Individual must request to register to vote, prohibition on automatic registration. Amendment: specifies that unless otherwise provided by law, a person must affirmatively request to register to vote.	Codifying Opt-In system.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 31-28-1. DP Senate Gov. 4-3.
H2237: same day voter registration; prohibition	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	No election day registration in order to vote in that election. Any person who violates this would be guilty of a class 6 misdemeanor.	None. Redundant as language already prohibits voter registration 29 days prior to election.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 31-28-1. DP Senate Gov. 4-3. Senate COW DP.
H2238: ballot drop boxes; prohibition	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	County Recorder or other election official may not use unmonitored ballot drop boxes. Amendment: Video surveillance 24hrs/day. Maintain records for 4 years. Select locations okay. Amendment: Counties to provide staff to monitor drop boxes inside a government building/and or other site used by the County Recorder or officer in charge of the Elections.	Concern over language that may inhibit the use of the Pinal Voter Education Van.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 5-3. Passed House 31-27. DP Senate Gov. 4-3. Senate Rules PFC.
H2239: electronic ballot adjudication; prohibition	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	The county board of supervisors and officer in charge of elections are prohibited from using an electronic vote adjudication. A duplicate copy of a damaged or defective ballot must be made by hand.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0,
H2240: elections; voting center prohibited	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	County boards of supervisors and any officer in charge of elections are prohibited from authorizing, establishing or using a voting center at which a voter who is a registered voter and resident anywhere in that county is allowed to receive the appropriate ballot for that specific voter.	Education on proper location to vote.	
H2241: early ballot drop off; identification	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	For any voter or voter's agent who delivers one or more voted early ballots in affidavit envelopes at any polling place or voting center, the election board must require the person to present identification for his/her own early ballot, and to attest in writing that he/she is the voter's family member, household member or caregiver for another person's early ballot. Knowing violations are a class 6 (lowest) felony.	Voter Education about ballot drop off procedures.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0,
H2242: voter registrations; validation requirement	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	After receiving a voter registration form, the county recorder is required to verify that the name, address, date of birth and driver license number of the registrant are valid and accurate. After receiving voter registration information for the statewide database, the Secretary of State is required to verify that the name, address, date of birth and driver license number of the registrant are valid and accurate. A person who willfully fails to comply with these requirements is guilty of a class 6 (lowest) felony.	None.	
H2243: voter registration; state residency; cancellation	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	The voter registration form is required to contain a statement that if the registrant permanently moves to another state after registering to vote in Arizona, the registrant's voter registration will be canceled.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 31-28. DP Senate Gov. 4-3.
H2244: auditor general; election systems; audits	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Appropriations, Rules	The Auditor General is required to conduct systems and procedures audits of offices conducting the general election. Appropriates \$800,000 from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Auditor General for these audits.	None.	
H2245: in-person early voting; time period	Rep. Finchem (R)	House: Government, Rules	On-site early voting locations, voting centers, and emergency voting centers may be used for in-person early voting only during the period beginning on the Saturday before election day for a primary or general election and continuing through the Monday before election day for a primary or general election and cannot be used for in-person early voting for any other election or time period.	Limits early voting to the 3 days prior to an Election.	
H2259: voting rights; felonies; automatic restoration	Rep. Espinoza (D)		A person's right to vote is automatically restored on the person's discharge of probation or absolute discharge from imprisonment.	Update Voter Education.	

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H2270: officials; political action committee prohibition	Rep. Bolick (R)		An individual who is an election officer or employee or who oversees any significant aspect of election operations is prohibited from being a chairperson, treasurer or other member of a political action committee. Does not apply to an individual's membership in a candidate committee for that individual's own candidacy.	None.	
H2282: prohibition; photo radar	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Transportation, Rules	State agencies and local authorities are prohibited from using a photo enforcement system to identify violators of traffic control devices and speed regulations. Statutes authorizing and regulating photo enforcement are repealed.	Slight impact to funding, most photo enforcement systems have already diminished in use quite heavily.	
H2283: polling places; schools; district boards	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	The officer in charge of elections is required to prioritize public schools and fire stations as polling places. School district governing boards and the governing board or body that supervises the fire stations are required to assist the county board of supervisors and the officer in charge of elections in selecting and coordinating schools and fire stations to be used as polling places. School principals are no longer authorized to deny a request to provide space for use as a polling place in specified circumstances.	None.	
H2287: precincts; combination; prohibition	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	For the purpose of establishing polling places, adjacent precincts are prohibited from being combined.	None.	
H2288: emergency voting; registration update; prohibition	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	County boards of supervisors are no longer allowed to authorize the use of emergency voting centers. County recorders and other officers in charge of elections are no longer authorized to provide for emergency balloting for person who experience an emergency immediately preceding an election.	Voter Education updates.	
H2289: challengers; polling places; tabulation-observation S/E relating to elections; identification; revisions; tabulation; mail-in	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	The county chairman of each political party is required, instead of allowed, to designate a party agent or representative who may act as challengers for the party. One challenger for each political party is required to be present at each voting place, and the party representative is required to remain in the polling place until completion of the tabulation of votes and transmittal or delivery of the results to the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections. Prohibits the use of electronic voting and tabulating devices, unless required to comply with accessibility requirements. Requires paper ballots to be used in all elections and counted by hand and returns to be made within 24 hours of polls closing. Restricts eligibility to vote an absentee ballot to only an elector that meets one of four specified criteria and repeals the Active Early Voting List (AEVL). Repeals authorization and requirements related to voting centers, emergency voting centers, on-site early voting, the duplication of ballots and electronic vote adjudication.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28. DP/SE Senate Gov 4-3,
H2295: election day; celebration	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	The first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every even-numbered year must be observed as Election Celebration Day, which is not a legal holiday.	None.	
H2296: government-issued voter identification; requirement	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	Strikes list 2 from acceptable form of ID in order to vote.	Voter education required to inform people of the limited options they will have to procure ID at the polls. Should require a 3/4 vote.	
H2357: election board clerks; party affiliation	Rep. Biasiucci (R)	House: Government, Rules	The inspector, marshal, and judges AND CLERKS shall not have changed their political party affiliation or their no party preference affiliation since the last preceding general election	None.	
H2376: election procedures; review; commission	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	Establishes a 13-member Election Integrity Commission and requires the Commission to biennially conduct a review of election laws and procedures to ensure statewide election integrity, beginning in 2023. The Commission is required to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the Secretary of State, and the Legislature by December 1 of each odd-numbered year. The Commission terminates on July 1, 2032.	None.	

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H2377: voting; seventy-five foot limit; photographs	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	While within the 75-foot limit of the polls, a person is allowed to take photographs or videos of him/herself, his/her own ballot, and any election worker.	None. Procedural change, privacy issues.	Government Failed 6-7
H2378: election lawsuits; settlements; approvals	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	A county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is authorized to join in any election-related civil action that materially affects the county recorder or officer.	Do not believe the Commission falls into this category.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28. DP Senate Jud. 5-3, PFC Rules.
H2379: election procedures manual; statutory conflict	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	The election instructions and procedures manual is required to provide for transparency and election security to the maximum extent allowed by law. If any provision of the manual conflicts with any statute, the provision of the instructions and procedures manual is unenforceable and the statute prevails. Amendments: Allows, rather than requires, the Legislature to provide for experts in electronic voting systems and procedures and in electronic voting system security to field check and review electronic voting systems and recommend needed statutory and procedural changes. 2. Requires the SOS to report to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate on any recommended statutory and procedural changes to electronic voting systems and procedures and to electronic voting system security.	None. State law > EPM.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 31-28-1. DP Senate Gov. 4-3. DPA Senate COW.
H2380: early ballots; delivery; penalties	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	The criminal classification for knowingly collecting voted or unvoted early ballots from another person is increased to a class 4 (lower mid-level) felony, from a class 6 (lowest) felony. Any person is allowed to submit a complaint to the Election Integrity Unit of the Office of the Attorney General regarding a possible violation of the prohibition on collected early ballots. The Attorney General is authorized to investigate the complaint and make findings, including a determination on whether to file charges. The Attorney General is required to report on these activities to the Governor and the Legislature by February 1 each year.	None.	
H2385: auditor general; voter registration database	Rep. Kaiser (R)	House: Government, Rules	The Auditor General is required to review the processes and statutory requirements for maintaining the statewide voter registration database, county early voting lists and county voter registration databases. The Secretary of State and county recorders are required to provide specified information to the Auditor General. The Auditor General is required to report its findings to the Legislature by June 30 of each even-numbered year. Appropriates \$500,000 from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Auditor General for this purpose.	None.	
H2402: automatic voter registration; same day.	Rep. Solorio (D)		A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register during the 28 days immediately preceding an election and is eligible to vote in that election if the person has been a resident of the county and the precinct in which the person resides for at least 29 days immediately preceding the election. A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register on Election Day at the polling place for the precinct in which that person maintains residence. A person who registers to vote under these provisions may vote only with a provisional ballot and does not qualify a person to vote in a partisan primary election. Every person who is applying for a driver license or renewal, including a nonoperating identification license or renewal, or who is making changes to drive license information and who is otherwise qualified to register to vote must be registered to vote automatically on completion of the license application unless the applicant clearly expresses a decision not to register. A person who is not qualified to register to vote and who unknowingly registers under this provision is not guilty of false registration or false swearing. Effective January 1, 2023.	Procedure change. Voter Education efforts.	

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H2430: secretary of state; nonpartisan office	Rep. Shah (D)	House: Government, Rules	The election for the office of Secretary of State is moved to the nonpartisan section of the ballot, and signature requirements are modified to reflect the change. Effective January 1, 2023.	None.	
H2435: county recorder; nonpartisan office	Rep. Shah (D)	House: Government, Rules	The election for the office of county recorder is moved to the nonpartisan section of the ballot, and signature requirements are modified to reflect the change.	None.	
H2443: campaign finance; contributions limits	Rep. Powers Hannley (D)		Various changes to campaign contribution limits. Decreases campaign contribution limits to \$390 to a candidate committee for municipal, county or district office, to \$488 to a candidate committee for legislative office, and to \$1,010 to a candidate committee for statewide office, all from \$6,250, from an individual or political action committee without mega PAC status. Campaign contribution limits apply as an aggregate total for the combined primary and general election, instead of per "election cycle" (defined). Individuals are prohibited from contributing more than an aggregate total of \$5,610 in a calendar year to state and local candidate committees and political action committees that contribute to candidate committees. Partnerships are prohibited from contributing monies in the name of the partnership. Candidate committees are prohibited from accepting contributions from all political action committees other than a political party as an aggregate total for the combined primary and general election of more than \$10,020 to a candidate committee for municipal, county or district office, \$16,150 to a candidate committee for legislative office, and \$100,110 to a candidate for statewide office. A candidate committee for a candidate that is a political party nominee is prohibited from accepting contributions as an aggregate total for the combined primary and general election from a political party of more than \$10,020 to a candidate committee for an office other than a statewide office, and \$100,110 to a candidate committee for a statewide office.	None.	
H2444: clean elections; county candidates	Rep. Powers Hannley (D)	House: Government, Rules	Applies clean elections laws to candidates for county board of supervisors, county assessor, county attorney, county recorder, county school superintendent, county sheriff and county treasurer. Establishes primary election spending limits for candidates for county offices based on county population. Due to voter protection, this bill requires a 3/4 vote of each house of the Legislature for enactment.	Add county offices to public financing program.	
H2469: early ballots; polling place; tabulation	Rep. Carroll (R)	House: Government, Rules	A voter who has the envelope containing the completed early ballot and completed affidavit, who appears at that voter's designated polling location on election day and whose identification is verified and confirmed is allowed to remove the completed ballot from the envelope and deposit the ballot in the ballot tabulation equipment in that polling place and to discard the envelope and completed affidavit.	Voter Education amendments.	Government DP 9-2-1, Rules DP 8-0

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H2476: presidential electors; congressional districts; at-large	Rep. Carroll (R)		Each political party that is qualified for representation on an official party ballot at the primary election and accorded a column on the general election ballot is required to designate one presidential elector for each congressional district and two presidential electors as at-large presidential electors. A presidential elector who is designated for a congressional district is not required to be a resident of that congressional district. Presidential electors who are designated for a congressional district are required to cast their electoral college votes for the candidates for president and vice president who jointly received the highest number of votes in that congressional district as prescribed in the statewide canvass. The two at-large presidential electors are required to cast their electoral college votes for the candidates for president and vice-president who jointly received the highest number of votes from an aggregate vote of all the members of the State Legislature voting as a single body.	Adds 2 votes to the electoral college based on voting via the State Legislator for the office of President and Vice-President.	
H2491: elections; signature matching requirements	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to apply an unspecified factor (blank in original) signature verification process as prescribed in the Secretary of State's election procedures manual. A person who violates this requirement is guilty of a class 5 (second-lowest) felony.	Add a process for blank affidavit envelopes. None.	
H2492: voter registration; verification; citizenship	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	Except for a form produced by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, any application for voter registration is required to be accompanied by satisfactory evidence of citizenship, and the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to reject any application for registration that is not accompanied by satisfactory evidence of citizenship. A county recorder or other officer in charge of elections who fails to reject an application for registration in these circumstances is guilty of a class 6 (lowest) felony. The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to use all available resources to verify the citizenship status of an applicant for voter registration. A person who registers to vote is required to provide an identifying document that establishes proof of location of residence. A person who has registered to vote and who has not provided satisfactory evidence of citizenship is not eligible to vote in presidential elections. A person who has not provided satisfactory evidence of citizenship and who is eligible to vote only for federal offices is not eligible to receive an early ballot by mail. Amendment: Removes 30 day notice return stipulation, must prove citizenship to vote in the PPE or by mail, AG must prosecute individuals who are found not to be U.S. Citizens. County Recorder to cancels ones registration upon evidence of non-citizenship, notify voters to complete incomplete registration forms, must provide citizenship in order to register to vote, etc...	Voter Education for changes to voter registration requirements and mail ballot eligibility. Concern over possible retroactivity citizenship check.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 5-2, Passed House 31-26. DP Senate Jud. 5-3. PFC Senate Rules. Passed Senate Floor 16-12-2. Signed by the Governor 3/30/22.
H2493: election integrity fund	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Appropriations, Rules	Appropriates \$12 million from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the newly established Election Integrity Fund, to be used to pay county recorders for election security, cybersecurity measures and improvements, and reimbursements for postelection hand tabulations. Amendments: removes the monies in the Election Integrity Fund to also be used for reimbursements for postelection hand tabulations.	None.	Government DP 8-4, W/D from Approp. Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 56-2. DPA Senate Gov 4-3. DPA Senate Approp 10-0.
H2494: voter registration events; posting	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	The Secretary of State and each county recorder is required to post on their public websites a list of each event that the Office of the Secretary of State or the county recorder attends and provides voter registration services. Amendment: Include location, title, and groups affiliated with the event.	None.	Government DP 7-5, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28. DP Senate Gov. 4-3, PFC Senate Rules.

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H2567: nominating petitions; multiple petition signatures	Rep. Carter (R)	House: Government, Rules	Signers of nomination petitions are allowed to sign an unlimited number of candidate petitions, instead of being limited to signing only one petition for the same office.	None.	
H2571: early voting; limitations; hand count	Rep. Blackman (R)	House: Government, Rules	Qualified electors are only allowed to vote by early ballot if the elector expects to be absent from the precinct at the time of the election, the elector cannot attend the polls on election day because of the tenets of his/her religion, or the elector is an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter or the spouse or household member of the absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter. County recorders are no longer authorized to establish on-site early voting locations. All ballots are required to be counted by hand, and electronic tabulating machines or equipment are prohibited. Effective January 1, 2023.	Voter Education changes.	
H2577: voter identification; ballots; delivery; process	Rep. Blackman (R)	House: Government, Rules	A county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is prohibited from using an unmonitored drop box for receiving voted early ballots. A qualified elector is required to request any early or absentee ballot and a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is prohibited from providing an early or absentee ballot without a specific request from the voter for a single specific election. A qualified elector is required to vote in a polling place or voting center, except that an elector with an early or absentee ballot may return the ballot by mail or deliver the ballot in person to a polling place or voting center. Modifies the list of accepted forms of identification for voting. Due to voter protection, the voter identification changes require the affirmative vote of at least 3/4 of the members of each house of the Legislature for passage.	Voter Education changes.	
H2581: state candidates; nomination; fee	Rep. Cook (R)	House: Government, Rules	For any person who holds a statewide or legislative office and who submits a nomination paper for reelection to that same office, the person may pay a \$250 fee to the office of the Secretary of State for deposit in the general fund and the person is not required to submit a nomination petition or signatures.	For incumbents, they would pay a \$250 fee instead of having to gather nomination signatures or submit a nomination petition.	

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H2596: elections; revisions; mail-in; identification; tabulation	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: health and human services, educ, mil-pub safety, com, gov-elect, jud, trans, land-agri-rural affairs, ways-means, nat res-energy-water, appro.	For all primary and general elections, a voter is prohibited from receiving or voting a ballot unless the voter has presented valid state-issued identification. All voting is required to occur on election day only, except for absentee ballots. Voters are allowed to vote by absentee ballot only for one of a list of specified reasons. All ballots are required to be cast in person by the voter at the voter's election precinct polling place. All ballots are required to be paper ballots that include a hologram, an identifiable sequence marking or another similar system for preventing fraud, and must allow a voter to receive a uniquely marked or numbered ballot. All ballots must be counted by hand and canvassed and the returns made within 24 hours after the polls are closed. Repeals the active early voting list and all statutes relating to voting by mail. Deletes all references to electronic tabulation and prohibits the use of electronic voting systems other than for accessible voting technology. County boards of supervisors are prohibited from changing a polling place unless the voters in that precinct are notified by mail at least two years in advance. County boards of supervisors are prohibited from requiring a voter or any other person to wear a facial mask at a polling place or be vaccinated against or tested for a virus as a condition of entering a polling place. The Legislature is required to call itself into session to review the ballot tabulating process for the regular primary and general elections and to accept or reject the election results. If the Legislature rejects the election results, any qualified voter is authorized to file an action in the superior court to request that a new election be held. The Legislature is authorized to conduct an audit of election results for any regular primary or general election.	Aside from the complete overhaul to the logistics relating to elections, the most troubling portion of this bill suggests that the Legislature would be allowed to reject the election results and request a election be held via Superior Court. Would require updates to Voter Education.	
H2602: polling places; emergency voting centers	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	County boards of supervisors are allowed to authorize the use of emergency voting centers only on occurrence of a genuine emergency that makes it likely that large numbers of voters will be substantially impaired in their ability to vote on election day as compared to other elections. Amendment: Remove emergency requirement, allow electioneering outside 75 ft. limit, County to post polling/vote center locations 2 weeks prior to election day.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28. DPA Senate Gov. 4-3, PFC Senate Rules.
H2617: voter registration; cancellations; causes	Rep. Chaplik (R)	House: Government, Rules	When a county recorder receives information that a registered voter is not a U.S. citizen, has been issued a driver license from another state, or is otherwise not qualified to vote, the county recorder is required to cancel the person's voter registration. The county recorder is required to notify the person that the registration has been canceled and send the information to the county attorney and Attorney General for possible investigation. Each month the Secretary of State and the county recorder are required to compare the voter registration database to other government databases, including the driver license database and Social Security Administration database. Amendment: Replace <i>other state-issued ID</i> with an Arizona nonoperating ID, County Recorder must cancel a voters registration upon death.	Could have a negative impact on voter turnout, specifically out-of-state college residents.	DP House Gov. 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-26. DP Senate Gov. 4-3, PFC Senate Rules.
H2621: consent decree; prohibited S/E; settlement agreement; consent decree; prohibited	Rep. Parker (R)	House: Judicial, Rules	In any state court proceeding in which the constitutionality, legality or application of any provision of Title 16 (Elections) is challenged and a government entity is named as the defendant, the court is prohibited from approving or signing a consent decree. In any federal court proceeding in which the constitutionality, legality or application of any provision of Title 16 (Elections) is challenged, the state and any party representing the state are prohibited from entering into or signing a consent decree. Amendment: Exempts the language from applying to the Citizens Clean Elections Act.	None.	Judicial DP 6-4, Rules 5-2, Passed House 31-26.

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
H2640: candidate nomination signature requirements	Rep. Carter (R)	House: Government, Rules	Cuts in half the number of signatures required on nomination petitions for candidates for U.S. Senate, state offices, U.S. Congress, state legislature, county office, superior court judge, justice of the peace, constable, mayor or other citywide office, and various other specified offices.	None.	
H2641: candidate nomination petitions; signatures; county	Rep. Carter (R)	House: Government, Rules	A candidate for a statewide or legislative office is not required to state on the nomination petition the county of residence of the qualified electors who sign the candidate's petition or separate the nomination petitions by county when submitting petitions to the Secretary of State and may submit signatures from qualified electors from more than one county on the same nomination petition without penalty.	None.	
H2680: voter registration; same day	Rep. Hernandez (D)	House: Government, Rules	A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register during the 28 days immediately preceding an election and is eligible to vote in that election if the person has been a resident of the county and the precinct in which the person resides for at least 29 days immediately preceding the election. A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register on Election Day at the polling place for the precinct in which that person maintains residence. A person who registers to vote under these provisions may vote only with a provisional ballot and does not qualify a person to vote in a partisan primary election.		
H2703: auditor general; audits; county elections S/E: Secretary of State; secure online signature collection; candidates	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	The Auditor General is required to establish an audit team to perform election integrity audits of county recorder offices and county elections departments. Each election cycle, the Auditor General is required to choose through random selection two counties that have a population of less than one million persons and perform an election integrity audit on those counties. The Auditor General is required to perform an election integrity audit of each county with a population of one million or more persons (Maricopa and Pima) each election cycle. For the purpose of election integrity audits, the Auditor General is required to have access to any personnel and data from the county recorder's office and any county elections department, the Department of Transportation, and the Secretary of State that the Auditor General deems necessary to perform the audit, including voter registration data, and is required to have access to polling places, voting centers and central counting centers. The Auditor General is required to report election integrity audit findings and recommendations to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Secretary of State. These requirements self-repeal January 1, 2030. Appropriates an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Auditor General for election integrity audits. All provisions other than the appropriation become effective January 1, 2023. Emergency measure; Secretary of State shall continue operating and shall maintain full functionality and availability of the secure internet portal for online signature collection and submittal of qualifying contributions.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28. Passed Senate Gov. 4-3, PFC Senate Rules. DPA Senate COW.

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
H2710: registrations; counting procedures; observers; verification	Rep. Kavanagh (R)	House: Government, Rules	Various changes relating to election observers. The county chairperson of each political party may designate a party representative for a polling place, a voting center, a location at which electronic processing of ballots occurs, and a location used by any third-party vendor for physical or electronic processing of ballot materials, including ballot envelopes. If the county party chairperson fails to appoint a party representative for a location, the state party chairperson may make those appointments, and if the state party chairperson fails to appoint a party representative, the legislative district chairperson in the area in which the polling place, voting center or other location is located may make those appointments for a location. If the county party chairperson fails to designate a sufficient number of board workers to assist with a hand count, the state party chairperson is required to designate qualified electors to be board workers. If the state party chairperson fails to designate a sufficient number of board workers, the legislative district chairperson of the district in which the hand count is to occur is required to designate qualified electors to be board workers. If there are fewer than two persons for each audited precinct available to participate on behalf of each recognized political party after the county officer in charge of elections substitutes additional electors from any political party, the county officer in charge of elections is required to provide a sufficient number of permanent or temporary county employees to serve as board members for purposes of the hand count. Election observers are authorized to observe hand count locations and the electronic vote adjudication board's activities. Amendment: Requires SoS, County Recorder, and other officers in charge of elections to provide electronic access to voter registration information, strikes language related to party appointments	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 8-0, Passed House 31-26. DPA Senate Gov. 4-3, PFC Senate Rules.
H2743: elections; identification; revisions; mail-in; tabulation	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	For all primary and general elections, a voter is prohibited from receiving or voting a ballot unless the voter has presented valid state-issued identification. All voting is required to occur on election day only, except for absentee ballots. Voters are allowed to vote by absentee ballot only for one of a list of specified reasons. All ballots are required to be cast in person by the voter at the voter's election precinct polling place. All ballots are required to be paper ballots that include a hologram, an identifiable sequence marking or another similar system for preventing fraud, and must allow a voter to receive a uniquely marked or numbered ballot. All ballots must be counted by hand and canvassed and the returns made within 24 hours after the polls are closed. Repeals the active early voting list and all statutes relating to voting by mail. Deletes all references to electronic tabulation and prohibits the use of electronic voting systems other than for accessible voting technology. County boards of supervisors are prohibited from changing a polling place unless the voters in that precinct are notified by mail at least two years in advance. County boards of supervisors are prohibited from requiring a voter or any other person to wear a facial mask at a polling place or be vaccinated against or tested for a virus as a condition of entering a polling place. More.	Voter Education.	

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H2744: early ballot pick-up; mail return	Rep. Fillmore (R)	House: Government, Rules	Various changes relating to elections. The county recorder may only establish one on-site early voting location at the recorder's main office. Repeals the active early voting list. A voter wishing to vote by mail is required to appear personally at the on-site early voting location to pick up a mail-in ballot. Except for an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter, a voter is only allowed to return a voted early ballot by mail, and the county recorder's office is prohibited from accepting a voted early ballot that is returned by in-person delivery. County boards of supervisors are prohibited from establishing voting centers, which allow any voter in that county to receive the appropriate ballot for that voter on election day.	Voter Education.	
H2754: permanent early voting list	Rep. Bolding (D)	House: Government, Rules	The active early voting list is renamed the permanent early voting list. The county recorder is no longer required to remove a voter from the list if the voter fails to vote using an early ballot in all regular primary and general elections for two consecutive election cycles.	Voter Education.	
H2768: early voting; weekend hours	Rep. Salman (D)		On-site early voting locations, including the locations at the county recorder's office, are required to be open until 7:00PM on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday immediately preceding election day.	Voter Education.	
H2770: voting centers; board of supervisors	Rep. Salman (D)		Only on a specific resolution of the county board of supervisors, the board is permitted to authorize the use of additional types of voting locations by using voting centers and early voting drop-off centers. A voting center is deemed to be a polling place on election day, and may be used as an early voting location. When an election is ordered and voting centers are used, the county board of supervisors is required to appoint a voting center election board for each voting center consisting of at least one inspector, one marshal and as many judges or clerks as needed. Requires there to be an equal number of inspectors in the various voting centers in the county who are members of the two largest political parties. The board of supervisors is authorized to appoint a minor who is at least 16 years of age to serve as a clerk of elections if a list of specified circumstances apply. School districts and charter schools cannot be required to reduce average daily membership for any student who is absent as a result of service on a voting center election board, and cannot count the absence against any mandatory attendance requirements for the student. County recorders are authorized to make changes to the approved early voting locations and are required to notify the public as soon as practicable.	Voter Education.	

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
H2771: election procedures; registrations; campaign finance	Rep. Salman (D)		<p>Numerous changes to statutes relating to elections. For every person who provides proof of U.S. citizenship when applying for, renewing or replacing a driver license or nonoperating identification license, or updating the person's existing residence address or name on file with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), ADOT is required to electronically collect and transmit voter registration information to the Secretary of State for the purpose of registering the person to vote or updating an existing voter registration record. The Secretary of State and ADOT Director, after consulting with all county recorders, are required to adopt rules to implement a secure automatic electronic voter registration system that collects and transmits voter registration information. The Secretary of State is required to evaluate implementation of a secure automatic electronic voter registration system at other agencies, including the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS). By December 31, 2022, any agency that allows a person to affirmatively register to vote or to update the person's registration through the internet must allow the person to complete the registration without a driver license or nonoperating identification license and with any proof of citizenship that is valid under Arizona law.</p> <p>Eliminates the requirement for a voter to live in the boundaries of an election district for 29 days prior to an election to be eligible to vote in that election. By the 2022 primary election and for each election thereafter, each county recorder is required to designate at least one election official at each polling place, voting center or early voting location in the county to serve as a registration clerk to facilitate and enable eligible persons to register to vote on site on election day or during early voting. A registration clerk must be present for all hours during which a polling place, voting center or early voting location is open. Every qualified voter in Arizona has the right, after registering to vote, to vote a secret ballot in all elections for which that voter is eligible to vote. By December 31, 2024, the Secretary of State, county recorders and other officers in charge of elections are required to evaluate incorporating "risk-limiting audit" (defined) protocols into ballot hand count procedures. Reduces individual and political action committee contributions limits to \$1,000 to candidates for legislative, county, municipal or district office, from \$6,250, and to \$2,500 for candidates for statewide office, from \$6,250. Much more. Due to voter protection, several sections of this legislation require the affirmative vote of at least 3/4 of the members of each house of the Legislature for passage</p>		
H2772: ballot measures; foreign contributions; prohibition	Rep. Butler (D)	House: Government, Rules	<p>A political action committee that is formed for the purpose of supporting or opposing a ballot measure or that makes a ballot measure expenditure is prohibited from soliciting or accepting a contribution from a "foreign national" (defined). A foreign national is prohibited from contributing to a political action committee that is formed for the purpose of supporting or opposing a ballot measure or that makes a ballot measure expenditure.</p>	None.	

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H2777: elections; auditor general; attorney general	Rep. Finchem (R)	House: Government, Appropriations, Rules	On request of the House of Representatives or the Senate, the Auditor General is required to conduct one or more audits of county elections for state and federal offices. The audits may include reviews of voter rolls, election systems and processes, voting equipment, and certification of ballot tabulation equipment and recordkeeping equipment. Appropriates \$800,000 from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Auditor General for these purposes. Appropriates an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Office of the Attorney General for funding four additional attorneys for the election integrity unit.	None.	
H2778: electronic registration information center; prohibition	Rep. Finchem (R)	House: Government, Rules	The Secretary of State and the county recorder are prohibited from using an electronic voter registration information center.	None.	
H2780: voter lists; images; voting records	Rep. Kavanagh (R)	House: Government, Rules	Ten days before the primary and general election, the county recorder is required to publish a list of all voters who are eligible to vote in the election, including persons who are on the inactive voter list, and post this information on the county recorder's website with personally identifying information redacted. Five days before the county canvass, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to publish and post in digital format on the county's website a list of all persons who voted and their method of voting, all ballot images with the unique identifying number from the ballot, and the cast vote record in a sortable format. Early and provisional ballot tabulators are required to imprint a unique identification number on each early ballot tabulated so as to allow the ballot image to be linked to the physical ballot. Ballots are required to be separated, tabulated, and stored by precinct. Amendment: Removes unique identifying requirement.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules 5-3, Passed House 31-26. DPA Senate Gov. 4-3,
H2783: election law violations; procedures manual	Rep. Bolick (R)	House: Government, Rules	Increases the criminal classification for violations of any rule adopted by the Secretary of State as part of the election instructions and procedures manual, to a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor, from a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor. A person who violates statute in Title 16 (Elections) is guilty of a class 6 (lowest) felony, unless the statute defining the offense provides for a different classification. Amendment: A person who knowingly violates elections statutes is guilty of a class 6 felony.	Voter Education.	Government DP 7-6, Rules 7-0, Pass House 31-27.
H2785: attorney general; election complaints	Rep. Biasiucci (R)	House: Government, Rules	The Attorney General is authorized to enforce Title 16 (Elections) for any election for members of Congress, U.S. Senator, or presidential elector. Establishes a list of powers the Attorney General is authorized to exercise in order to carry out the duties of election law enforcement for any elected office, including issuing subpoenas and examining any computer, document, or record.	None.	
H2786: voter registrations; ballot requests; source	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	Only a political party, county recorder, or election official is authorized to distribute early ballot request forms to voters. For any signed preprinted request to amend a voter's registration information or request for an early ballot, the county recorder is prohibited from using that signature of the voter as the most recent exemplar for subsequent comparison if the submittal is on a printed document, card or other form that is not an official form printed by the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections. Amendment: Specifies that the signed preprinted request may not be used as the sole exemplar for signature comparison of the voter.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules 7-0, Passed House 31-26. DPA Senate Gov. 4-3,

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H2787: Maricopa county; division; new counties	Rep. Hoffman (R)	House: Government, Rules	Divides Maricopa County into four counties by modifying the Maricopa County boundaries and adding three new counties: Hohokam County, Mogollon County, and O'odham County. Maricopa County continues full jurisdictional operation for all four counties until a special election held within 120 days after the effective date of this legislation to elect new county boards of supervisors. Currently elected Maricopa County Supervisors continue in their capacity for the remainder of their term in whichever county their supervisory district is located. The elected boards of supervisors in the three new counties will determine an application process for municipalities to apply to be the county seat, which will be determined at a special election to be held within 120 days from the election of the boards of supervisors. The four counties are authorized to enter into a ten-year shared use agreement for the use of existing shared capital assets. Effective January 1, 2023.	Voter Education.	Government DP 7-6, Rules 8-0,
H2798: voter registration; social security list	Rep. John (R)	House: Government, Rules	Beginning 90 days before each primary election day and each general election day and continuing once each week until election day, the Secretary of State is required to obtain the full file of death information from the social security administration for the sole purpose of canceling the names of deceased persons from the statewide voter registration database. The name of each deceased person is required to promptly be canceled from the statewide voter registration database. The Secretary of State is required to notify the appropriate county recorder and the recorder is required to cancel the name of the person from the register.		
H2801: write-in candidates; filing date	Rep. Diaz (R)	House: Government, Rules	The deadline for filing a nomination paper to be a write-in candidate is moved to 5PM on the 76th day before the election, from 5PM on the 40th day before the election.		
HB2839: candidate nominations; signatures; redistricting	Rep. Bowers (R)	Substitute for SB1719	For various elective candidates, nomination petitions are to be signed by a specified number of qualified signers that is equal to the requirements detailed in statute. If new boundaries for congressional, legislative or supervisory districts or justice or election precincts are established and effective subsequent to January 2 of the year of a general election and before the date for filing of nomination petitions, the required number of signatures is modified. The basis for determining the required number of nomination petition signatures in that case is the number of qualified signers in the elective office, district or precinct that was effective on January 2 of the year of a general election	None.	Passed House Final Read 58-0. Passed Senate Third Read 27-0-3. Transmitted to Governor 3/3. Signed by the Governor on 3/3/2022 with Emergency Declaration.
HCR2014: initiative; referendum; signatures; legislative districts	Rep. Dunn (R)	House: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require statewide initiative measures to obtain signatures from 10 percent of the voters from each legislative district in order to propose a statewide measure and to obtain signatures from 15 percent of the voters from each legislative district in order to propose an amendment to the state Constitution. Also requires signatures from 5 percent of the voters from each legislative district in order to order a referendum of any measure enacted by the Legislature.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0,
HCR2015: initiatives; supermajority vote; requirements	Rep. Dunn (R)	House: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require approval by 60 percent of the votes cast on the measure for an initiative or referendum measure to become law, instead of a majority of the votes cast.	None.	Government DP 7-6, Rules DP 7-0, Passed House 31-28.

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HCR2025: government-issued voter identification NOW; voter identification; voting	Rep. Fillmore (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to delete the option for a voter to present, in order to receive a ballot and in lieu of government-issued photo identification, two different items that contain the name and address of the voter that reasonably appear to be the same as the name and address in the precinct register, including a utility bill, a bank or credit union statement, a valid Arizona vehicle registration, an Arizona vehicle insurance card, an Indian census card, tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification, a property tax statement, a recorder's certificate, a voter registration card, a valid government-issued identification, or any mailing that is labeled as "official election material."	Update to Voter Education.	Government DP 7-6, Rules 5-2,
HCR2033: decertifying Arizona's 2020 electors	Rep. Finchem (R)		The members of the Legislature notify the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives, and the members of Congress from Arizona that it is the justifiable position of the Arizona State Legislature to set aside the results of the Maricopa, Pima and Yuma County elections as irredeemably compromised and reclaim the 2020 presidential electors due to the irredeemably flawed nature of these elections that prevent the declaration of a clear winner of said presidential electors.	None.	
HCR2035: constitutional right to vote	Rep. Salman (D)		The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to declare that the right to vote is a fundamental right. Any law or regulation that burdens a citizen's fundamental right to vote is required to be narrowly tailored to further a compelling governmental interest. Deletes the prohibition on a person convicted of a felony being qualified to vote at any election.	None.	
HCR2037: campaign finance; source disclosure	Rep. Ligouri (D)		The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require any person that makes campaign expenditures of more than \$10,000, or \$20,000 for statewide campaigns, in a two-year election cycle to promptly disclose the identity of all "original sources" of "major contributions" (both defined) used to fund that expenditure, and to grant the Citizens Clean Elections Commission the authority to establish penalties to enforce this requirement. Severability clause. If approved by the voters, the amendment applies to all elections occurring after January 1, 2024.	Would require the Commission to set regulations and penalties for campaign expenditures in excess of \$20,000 for Statewide elections that are not properly disclosed, and \$10,000 for each other election.	
S/E S1476; ballots; identification	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government; Rules	Requires each ballot in an election to be consecutively numbered with a unique number. Requires ballots to be accounted for in a chain of custody document or log.	None.	Government DP 4-2-1, Rules PFC, Failed Senate 14-15.
S1008: elections; recount margin	Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Modifies the criteria that triggers an automatic election recount to require a recount when the margin between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for a particular office, or between the number of votes cast for and against a measure or proposition, is less than or equal to 0.5 percent of the number of votes cast for both candidates or on the measure or proposition. Previously, the difference in votes that triggered an automatic recount was the lesser of 0.1 percent or either a specified number of votes based on the office to be filled or 200 votes for a measure or proposition.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Senate 17-12-1, Passed House Gov. 12-0, C&P House Rules 8-0,
S1010: school districts; protesting; partisan elections	Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	All elections for school district governing board members in Arizona are required to be conducted using a partisan primary election followed by a general election on or after January 1, 2023. Also, a school district is prohibited from ejecting from school property or from the vicinity of any location where a school meeting is taking place, and from taking any other adverse action against a person or a group of people engaging in "peaceful protesting" (defined) after school hours and prohibits a school district from requiring people to apply for a permit or secure authorization for protesting.	Update to Voter Education.	Government Failed 4-4.

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S1012: registration database; federal voters; report	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Requires the Secretary of State to provide access to the statewide voter registration database to a person or entity that is designated by the Legislature and to the Election Integrity Unit of the Attorney General's Office for the purpose of determining whether voter registration list maintenance procedures comply with federal law with respect to federal-only voters. The person or entity designated by the Legislature is required to be qualified in more than one state to analyze a state's voter registration rolls for compliance with federal law, and is required to report its findings to the Legislature, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of State. Each county recorder is required to submit an annual report to the Legislature regarding federal-only voters, and information that must be included in the report is specified. The Attorney General and the County Attorney shall investigate and prosecute, as appropriate, any person who is ineligible to register to vote and who knowingly registers to vote.	None.	Government DP 4-2, Rules PFC, Senate 16-13-1, Transmit to House 2-9-22.
S1013: secretary of state; federal form	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	By December 31, 2022, the Secretary of State is required to submit to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission a request that the Commission include on the federal voter registration form Arizona's state-specific instructions to provide proof of citizenship.	None.	Government DP 4-2, Rules PFC, Senate 16-13-1, Transmit to House 2-9-22. Passed House Gov. 7-6, DP Rules 7-0.
S1017: state finance review; task force	Sen. Bowie (D)	Senate: Finance, Appropriations, Rules	Establishes a 22-member Citizens Finance Review Task Force to analyze the source of general fund and nongeneral fund revenues and expenditures as compared to other states, and make recommendations regarding the responsible retirement of existing state debt. The Task Force is required to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by September 30, 2023, and to present the report to a joint meeting of the legislative appropriations committees by January 31, 2024. Self-repeals October 1, 2024.	Possible task force the Commission may need to report to.	Finance DP 9-0,
S1027: election bureau; complaint; investigation	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Appropriations, Rules	Establishes the Bureau of Elections in the Office of the Governor to investigate allegations of fraud in any state, county, or local government election. Any qualified elector is permitted to submit a complaint to the Bureau. Establishes powers and duties of the Bureau, including impounding records, issuing subpoenas, and conducting hearings. The Bureau is required to publicly report its findings and conclusions and make any appropriate referrals to a prosecutorial agency. Appropriates \$5 million from the general fund in FY2022-23 to establish the Bureau.	Unknown.	
S1028: ballot paper; security measures	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Any vendor that provides fraud countermeasures that are contained in and on the paper used for ballots is required to be ISO 27001 certified, ISO 17025 certified, or ISO 9001:2015 certified. Ballot fraud countermeasures are required to include at least three of a list of ten specified features, including watermarking, security inks and unique barcodes.	None. Unique barcode tracking to vote brings up questions regarding State Constitution, Article 7, Section 1.	Government Held,
S1043: election day; state holiday	Sen. Rogers (R)		Adds the primary election day and the general election day to the list of official state holidays. A person entitled to vote at a primary election or general election held in Arizona is authorized to be absent from employment and is prohibited from being liable for any penalty or from having deductions made from their usual salary or wages. A person who refuses an employee these rights is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	Update to Voter Education.	

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S1054: election equipment; security; legislative review	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Beginning in 2022 and every two years thereafter, the committee appointed by the Secretary of State to investigate and test the various types of vote recording or tabulating machines or devices is required to provide for a detailed review of election equipment security for counties with a population of more than 500,000 persons that focuses on the actual equipment, software and other systems used in the most recent general election. An additional person who is an expert in election equipment security must conduct or assist with the review. On completion, the review must be presented to the standing committees of the Legislature with jurisdiction over election issues at a public meeting that is held by August 1 following the general election.	None.	Government DP 4-2, Rules PFC
S1055: election process; contractors and contracts	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	A contractor that enters into a contract with Arizona or any county to provide election-related equipment or services and that fails to perform its obligations under the terms of the contract is liable for liquidated damages in an amount equivalent to the amount paid under the contract, and is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Failed Senate 14-15.
S1056: misplaced ballots; invalidity; misdemeanor; damages	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Any ballots that are misplaced and not included in the initial tally at a polling place or counting center are invalid ballots and are prohibited from being counted. A person who misplaces a ballot is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor. If a provisional or early ballot that identifies the voter on the face of the affidavit or envelope is misplaced and cannot be counted, the voter of that misplaced ballot is authorized to file an action for damages against the governmental body administering the election for the loss of the right to vote. Amendment: Invalid ballot is one not in the chain of custody, rather than misplaced.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Failed Senate 14-15.
S1058: drive-up voting; prohibition	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The county recorder or officer in charge of elections is prohibited from allowing a voter to receive a ballot and vote from a vehicle or other conveyance, and from using a ballot drop box except inside a polling place or voting center or the county recorder's or election department's offices. Appropriately trained election workers are required to monitor ballot drop boxes.	Update to Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC
S1094: petition signatures; description; invalidity	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	A circulator of an initiative or referendum petition is required to either read the initiative or referendum description aloud to each person signing before that person signs or to allow the person sufficient time to read the description before the person signs. The circulator must inform the person that reading the description is required so that the person can understand the petition. Each person signing must affirm that the person has heard and understood or read and understood the description before signing the petition. For any person who signs without either hearing or reading the description, the circulator is required to draw a line through the person's signature and the signature is void and cannot be counted.	Will likely make the process for not only gathering signatures for voter initiatives and referendums more difficult, but also raises issues in regards to challenges of signature.	DP Senate Gov. 4-3. Passed Rules, Senate 16-12-2. Passed House Gov. 7-6, DP Rules 5-3,
S1119: electronic ballot images; public record	Sen. Borrelli (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	After the polls are closed, the officer in charge of elections is required to make available to the public an online copy of any digital images of ballots in a manner that allows the images to be searchable by precinct but that precludes any alteration of the images. States that the digital images of the ballots are public records.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 13-15.

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S1120: ballot fraud countermeasures; paper; ink.	Sen. Borrelli (R)	Senate: Government, Appropriations, Rules	Any vendor that provides fraud countermeasures that are contained in and on the paper used for ballots is required to be ISO 27001 certified, ISO 17025 certified, or ISO 9001:2015 certified. Ballot fraud countermeasures are required to include all of a list of 19 specified features, including watermarking, secure holographic foil, security inks, invisible ultraviolet microtext, a serialized black QR code, and a paper receipt for the voter. The Legislature is required to appropriate sufficient monies to the State Treasurer to provide counties with the ballot paper prescribed by this legislation. Applies to the regular general election in 2022 and all elections held in 2024 and later. Appropriates an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the State Treasurer for the purchase of antifraud ballot paper meeting these requirements.	None. County questions whether or not any of this would be possible with current tabulators in place.	Government DP 4-3, Appropriations 6-4, Rules PFC
S1133: schools; cities; all mail prohibited	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Education, Government, Rules	Municipalities and school districts are prohibited from conducting a mail ballot election. Effective January 1, 2023.	Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3,
S1149: countywide elections; vote by mail	Sen. Bowie (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	On approval of the county board of supervisors and if 60 percent or more of the county's registered voters are on the permanent early voting list, a county is authorized to conduct a mail ballot election for all elections administered by that county, including elections for federal and state offices and measures, and elections for county, municipal, school district and special districts. Counties that conduct mail ballot elections are required to report specified information about the election to the Legislature by January 1 of each year following a mail ballot election.	None.	
S1169: email; prohibition; political campaigns	Rep. Gowan (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Campaign committees are prohibited from sending a campaign email to an email address that ends in .edu or .gov. In an action for damages, a person who violates this prohibition is liable to the email recipient for \$100 per email.	Committees wouldn't be able to send emails to the commission? Candidates would be require to use personal email possibly. Define "campaign email".	Government Held
S1228: driver licenses; authorized presence repeal	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Judicial, Rules	The Department of Transportation is no longer prohibited from issuing or renewing a driver license for a person who does not submit proof that the applicant's presence in the U.S. is authorized under federal law.	Concern whether DL would now be a sufficient form of identification to vote or registering for a full ballot.	
S1259: recounts; requests; procedures; audits	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Increase hand count audit from 2% to 5%. Attorney General, Secretary of State, or Leg. Council may request a recount of the election up to 5 days after completion of the canvass. Exempts ballot measures/questions for school districts, community college districts, fire, or other special taxing district. Requires a person be an Arizona resident to file an action for a recount.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Passed Senate Floor as amended 16-13-1. Passed House Gov. 7-6,
S1260: registrations; early voting; move notice	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Codifies best practices of removing voter if notified they have been registered in another County. Violations for knowingly forwarding a ballot to a voter who is registered in another state. Amendment: Requires a person who receives an early ballot of a former resident of the address to write "not at this address" on the envelope and place the envelope in a U.S. post box or other mail receptacle, rather than allowing the person to indicate on the outside of the envelope that the former resident has moved and mail the ballot back to the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections listed on the envelope.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 16-13. Passed House Gov. 7-6,
S1285: elections manual; legislative council	Sen. Ugenti-Rita (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The official election instructions and procedures manual prepared by the Secretary of State is required to be approved by the Attorney General and the Legislative Council, instead of the Governor and the Attorney General.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC Passed, Passed Senate 17-12.
S1329: arizona national rankings; ranked states, early ballots; tabulating	Sen. Boyer (R)	Senate: N/A	Requires, if practicable, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections (other officer) to post the number of early ballots returned at voting locations on election day on its website and enter the ballots into an early ballot tracking system, if established.	Sen. Boyer (R)	S/E: Passed Senate Floor 17-12-1. Passed House gov. 12-0, House Rules C&P 7-0,

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S1335: election day voting; early voting	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Qualified electors are only allowed to vote by early ballot if the elector is physically unable to go to the polls due to illness, hospitalization, or other confinement, or the elector is an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter or the spouse or household member of the absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter. County boards of supervisors and any officer in charge of elections are prohibited from authorizing, establishing or using a voting center at which a voter who is a registered voter and resident anywhere in that county is allowed to receive the appropriate ballot for that specific voter. County recorders are no longer authorized to establish on-site early voting locations.	Voter education in relation to administration of Election.	
S1338: paper ballots; hand count; precincts	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	County boards of supervisors and any officer in charge of elections are prohibited from authorizing, establishing or using a voting center at which a voter who is a registered voter and resident anywhere in that county is allowed to receive the appropriate ballot for that specific voter. County boards of supervisors and any officer in charge of elections are prohibited from allowing the use of electronic or other tabulating equipment and all counting is required to be done by hand. Ballots must be organized and remain segregated by precinct, both before and after counting. Electronic voting and electronic or other tabulating devices may only be used to comply with statute requiring voting systems for persons who are blind or visually impaired. For all other uses, for state, county, and municipal elections, only paper ballots may be used.	Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC
S1343: early ballots; provisionals; precinct tallies	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	All early ballots, provisional ballots and conditional provisional ballots are required to be separated by precinct and category of ballot, tabulated by precinct and category of ballot and included as separate line items by category of ballot in the vote totals for the voter's precinct, without regard to whether the ballot was voted or received at an early voting center, election day voting center, emergency voting center, polling place or office of the county recorder. After tabulation, early ballots, provisional ballots and conditional provisional ballots must remain separated by category of ballot and precinct.	Voter education in relation to administration of Election.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC
S1348: elections; hand count; tabulators prohibited	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For all state, county, and municipal elections, all ballots are required to be tabulated by hand. County boards of supervisors or other officers in charge of elections are prohibited from allowing the use of electronic or other tabulating equipment. Ballots must be organized and remain segregated by precinct, both before and after counting. Effective January 1, 2023.	Voter education in relation to administration of Election.	
S1351: early voting list; renewal	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	An early voter is eligible to receive an early ballot for a two-year period, after which the voter is required to renew the voter's request to receive an early ballot or the voter will be removed from the early voting list.	Voter education regarding mail-in ballots.	
S1355: campaign finance report; due date	Sen. Livingston (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The due date for campaign finance reports covering a calendar quarter without an election is moved to the 3rd Monday in the month after the calendar quarter, instead of the 15th day after the calendar quarter.	Campaign finance due date change.	Senate Government 7-0, Rules PFC, Senate 29-0-1, House Government DP 11-0, House Rules C&P 7-0. Passed Senate Floor 53-0-7. Signed by the Governor on 4/26/2022.
S1357: election equipment; certification; results	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Any machine or device used at any election for federal, state, or county offices that is certified by a laboratory that was not accredited at the time of the certification is deemed unapproved for use in Arizona and not officially certified. Any election conducted with that machine or device while it is not officially certified is nullified, and the vote tallies from that machine must be removed from the official canvass of the election. Amendment prevents preloading ballots (problematic for L&A). DPS shall provide independent compliance officers to any election equipment.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC

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S1358: hand counts; precincts; procedures manual	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For a county that uses voting centers, the ballots from each voting center are required to be separated by precinct before the random selection of precincts for a hand count occurs and every ballot from a precinct must be grouped with the other ballots from that precinct.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 13-16.
S1359: election workers; unique passwords	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For any election system or activity that requires an employee, contractor or volunteer to log in to the system, each employee, contractor or volunteer is required to have a unique password that cannot be disclosed to any other person. Each employee, contractor or volunteer is required to establish a new unique password every two weeks. Violations are a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.
S1360: election observers; access	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Election observers are required to be allowed uniform access to all stages of the election process, beginning with ballot design through tabulation of the final vote. Election observers must be allowed to document observations and ask questions of election officers and must receive timely responses. Election observers must be allowed to be in proximity to the process closely enough to observe whether the process is being conducted correctly. Election observers may only be ejected for significant concerns on the approval of the inspector and the marshal. Amendment: Stipulates rules regarding to election observers.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 15-14.
S1362:early ballot on-site tabulation	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Appropriations, Government, Rules	A qualified voter who appears at a voting center or designated polling place with his/her voted early ballot is required to present identification as required by law. If the voter does not present identification, the voter is required to either deposit the voted early ballot in an official drop box or surrender the early ballot to the election board and vote a provisional ballot. If the voter presents sufficient identification and the affidavit is complete, the voter may sign the signature roster and proceed to the tabulating equipment to insert the ballot into a tabulating machine. Appropriates an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in each of FY2022-23 and FY2023-24 to the newly established Early Ballot On-Site Tabulation Fund for the costs of on-site tabulation as required by this legislation. Amendment: Allows rather than requires a County Recorder to provide on-site early tabulators of early ballots, removes on-site tabulation fund.	Voter Education.	DP Senate Gov. 4-3, DP Senate Approp. 7-2-1, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 16-13. House Gov. 7-6, House Rules C&P 8-0,
S1380: voter registration rolls; maintenance	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The county recorder is required to use change of address information supplied by the postal service to identify registered voters whose address may have changed on a monthly basis instead of at least once every election cycle. If a notice of change in registration status sent by the recorder is not returned, the registrant must be required to provide confirmation of the registrant's address in order to vote.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 15-13.
S1404:eligibility; early voting; list	Sen. Gowan (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Repeals the active early voting list. Qualified electors are only allowed to vote by early ballot if the elector expects to be absent from the precinct at the time of the election, the elector is physically unable to go to the polls, the elector is 65 years of age or older, the elector's residence is more than 15 miles from the polling place, the elector is unable to attend the polls on election day because of the tenets of his/her religion, the elector has a visual impairment, or the elector is an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter or the spouse or household member of the absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter. County recorders are no longer authorized to establish on-site early voting locations.	Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC

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S1411: early ballots; tracking system	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Appropriations, Rules	Effective January 1, 2024, in counties with a population of more than 100,000 persons that use early ballots, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to provide on the county's website an early ballot tracking system that indicates whether the voter's early ballot has been received and whether the early ballot has been verified and tabulated. Appropriates \$700,000 from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Secretary of State for establishing a grant program for counties to establish the tracking systems. Amendments: Appropriates \$250,000 from the state General Fund in fiscal year 2023 to the Secretary of State for enhancements to the Arizona voter information database to provide for early ballot tracking, rather than appropriating \$700,000 to the Secretary of State to establish a grant program for counties to establish an early ballot tracking system. Requires a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections in all counties, rather than only counties with a population of more than 100,000 persons, to provide an early ballot tracking system.	None.	DP Senate Gov. 5-2, DP Sen. Approp. 10-0, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 27-1. Passed House Gov. 13-0,
S1432: voted ballots; custody; in-state	Sen. Mendez (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections, the county board of supervisors, any state elected official and any employee, contractor or vendor of those persons are prohibited from removing from the state any one or more of the ballots cast for an election.	None.	
S1433: voters; false communication; enterprises; enforcement	Sen. Mendez (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	It is a class 5 (second lowest) felony for an enterprise to knowingly communicate to a registered voter by any means false information that is intended to impede the voter in exercising the voter's right to vote. A registered voter to whom false information is communicated is authorized to file a civil action for relief, including an application for a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order or other order against the person communicating the false information.	None.	
S1453: automatic voter registration; same day	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register during the 28 days immediately preceding an election and is eligible to vote in that election if the person has been a resident of the county and the precinct in which the person resides for at least 29 days immediately preceding the election. A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register on Election Day at the polling place for the precinct in which that person maintains residence. A person who registers to vote under these provisions may vote only with a provisional ballot and does not qualify a person to vote in a partisan primary election. Every person who is applying for a driver license or renewal, including a nonoperating identification license or renewal, or who is making changes to drive license information and who is otherwise qualified to register to vote must be registered to vote automatically on completion of the license application unless the applicant clearly expresses a decision not to register. A person who is not qualified to register to vote and who unknowingly registers under this provision is not guilty of false registration or false swearing. Effective January 1, 2023.	Voter Education.	
S1454: polling places; drop boxes; campuses	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	The board of supervisors of each county is required to designate at least one polling place or voting center on the main campus of each state university in that county and is required to provide for at least one early ballot dropbox at each state university satellite location and each community college campus and community college satellite location in that county.	None.	

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S1455: early voting locations	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	A county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is permitted to make changes to the approved early voting locations and must notify the public and the board of supervisors regarding the changes as soon as is practicable. A county recorder or other officer in charge of elections who establishes early voting locations may continue to operate those early voting locations during the three-day period immediately preceding election day, except that on-site early voting is required to end as needed to ensure that precinct registers and other election materials are revised for use on election day to indicate which voters have requested an early ballot, which voters have already voted and which voters are on the inactive voter list.	None.	
S1456:presidential preference caucuses; independent voters	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	Presidential preference elections are repealed and replaced with presidential preference caucuses, which must be held on the Tuesday immediately following March 15 of each year in which the President of the United States is elected to give qualified voters the opportunity to express their preference for the presidential candidate of the political party of their choosing. Presidential preference caucuses are required to allow participation by persons who are registered independent or no party preference. The operation of the caucuses and the selection of delegates to the political party national conventions shall be as provided in the bylaws of each state party.	Voter Education in relation to Independents being allowed to participate in the now Presidential Preference Caucus.	
S1457:voting machines; hardware; software; access	Sen. Borrelli (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The Secretary of State is required to ensure that vote recording and vote tabulating machines and devices approved for use in Arizona meet a list of specified requirements, including having all operating systems and software configured to the appropriate level of security, not having hardware installed that supports internet connectivity, supporting tracking of users based on unique credentials, and logging any deletions of ballot images, windows event logs and results files. Amendment, tamper-proof lock on usb port of tabulation equipment, non-stop video at count center.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.
S1460: election law amendments	Sen. Shope (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Various changes relating to election law. Establishes options for candidate nomination petitions for candidates for election to an office immediately following redistricting, which do not apply to candidates for a federal, statewide or legislative office. Establishes regulations for adjustment of precinct boundaries based on redistricting. If a voter surrenders an early ballot to the precinct inspector and presents the required identification, the voter must be issued a standard ballot. Modifies various deadlines. Allows the notice of election to be posted online and at other locations where a government body regularly posts public notices, if there is not a newspaper of general circulation in the election district. Amendment: Exempts political subdivision indebtedness election from 180 requirement, writes file 14th day before election, removes requirement to submit petition paperwork and statement of interest for prior district.		Government DP 7-0, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 17-12. Passed House Gov. 12-2, House Rules C&P 7-0,
S1465: voting equipment; requirements; records; origin	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	No later than the August 2024 primary election, the Secretary of State is required to revoke the certification for vote recording, vote aggregation and vote tabulating machines and devices used for elections for federal, state or county offices unless the machines and devices comply with a list of specified requirements, including being manufactured in the United States, meeting certain security standards, not having hardware installed that supports internet connectivity, supporting the usage and tracking of user accounts attributable to a specific individual, and providing a printed record of a voter's choices in a human-discernible format.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.

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S1474: voting; election day only; holiday	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The primary election day and the general election day are legal holidays. Voters are authorized to be absent from employment on election day and cannot be held liable for any penalty or have salary or wages deducted due to the absence. Statute authorizing early voting is repealed.	Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC,
S1475: voter registration; citizenship; falsification; penalties S/E: election complaints; attorney general	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	It is a class 2 (second highest) felony to knowingly and falsely claim U.S. citizenship while registering to vote. It is a class 2 (second highest) felony to register another person to vote and to knowingly and falsely claim that the potential registrant may register as a voter who is eligible to vote only for federal offices when the potential registrant is not a U.S. citizen. S/E: Outlines powers and duties of the Attorney General (AG) related to the enforcement of election laws. Allows the AG to enforce election laws in elections for Members of Congress, U.S. Senators and presidential electors	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.
S1477:voter registration; felonies; clerk; database	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Each month the clerk of the superior court is required to transmit to the Secretary of State without charge a record of every felony conviction in that county within the preceding month. The Secretary of State is required to use the record for the sole purpose of canceling the names of convicted felons from the statewide voter registration database and must notify the appropriate county recorder. The county recorder is required to cancel the voter registration of the convicted felon.	None.	Government DP 4-1-2, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 16-13. Passed House Gov. 9-4, House Rules C&P 7-0,
S1478:elections; county supervisors; ballot; markers	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For elections for which the county board of supervisors is responsible, the board of supervisors is prohibited from requiring that a specific marking pen be used on paper ballots and from providing for use on ballots any pen that creates marks that are visible on the reverse side of the paper ballot or that otherwise may damage or cause a ballot to be spoiled.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.
S1479: precinct size; voters; vote centers	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	County boards of supervisors are prohibited from establishing an election precinct that contains more than 1,250 registered voters of any political party that is entitled to continued representation on the ballot, or more than a total of 2,000 registered voters on the date the boundaries are established. County boards of supervisors and any officer in charge of elections are prohibited from authorizing, establishing, or using a voting center at which a registered voter and resident anywhere in that county is allowed to receive the appropriate ballot for that specific voter. County boards of supervisors and any officer in charge of elections are only authorized to use polling places located in election districts.	Voter Education.	
S1503: registration; voting; jails; confinement	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	Every person who is otherwise eligible to register to vote and who is in the custody of the State Department of Corrections (DOC) or a county jail must be provided the opportunity to register to vote on release from confinement. DOC and county jails are required to provide a state mail in voter registration form to persons who are eligible to register and to transmit completed forms to the appropriate county recorder within five days after receipt. In a county with a population of more than 300,000 persons, the county recorder is required to provide for a voting center at the county jail for persons who are temporarily in custody and awaiting trial, which must provide for any person who is otherwise eligible to vote in that county to receive the appropriate ballot for that person's residence. A county recorder is required to provide a request for an early ballot to each qualified elector who is in the custody of the county jail or DOC in that county and who is otherwise eligible to vote. After the county recorder receives a completed request for an early ballot, the county recorder is required to provide an early ballot to the qualified elector.	None.	

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S1504: voting rights; felonies; automatic restoration.	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	A person's right to vote is automatically restored on the person's discharge of probation or absolute discharge from imprisonment.	Voter Education.	
S1543: election and ethics; commission; duties	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	Establishes the Arizona Election and Ethics Commission consisting of six members who are appointed by the Governor and other specified elected officials and who meet specified requirements. Beginning in 2023, the Commission succeeds to the duties of the Secretary of State with respect to acting as the investigatory, compliance and enforcement officer for political committees supporting or opposing candidates for state offices and members of the Legislature and statewide initiative or referendum measures appearing on a state general election ballot. Powers and duties of the Commission are established, including receiving any ethics complaint filed against candidates or elected officials of state government. The Commission terminates on July 1, 2032.		
S1570: election equipment; security; results; tabulation	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Any voting equipment used in a polling place or voting center and any tabulation equipment used in a central counting center or other tabulation center are prohibited from having internet access and must prohibit access by any means to any data or results until used by authorized election personnel only. Any accessible ports must be locked with a tamper-proof seal and logged in the chain of custody document when broken or accessed. Violations are a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.
S1571: ballot drop boxes; surveillance; appropriation	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Appropriations, Rules	Establishes requirements for any ballot drop box used in Arizona to receive voted early ballots, including logging the receipt of each ballot, generating a paper receipt, and including a functioning camera or video recorder that photographs or video records each person who deposits one or more early ballots. Voted early ballots are prohibited from being mailed to the county recorder and may only be returned by hand delivery. Makes a supplemental appropriation of an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Secretary of State to procure, install, operate, and maintain 24-hour per day photo and video surveillance for each ballot drop box in Arizona.	Voter Education in relation to returning ballots.	Government DP 4-3, DP Approp. 6-4,
S1572: voting list; images; cast votes	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Ten days before the primary and general election, the county recorder is required to publish a list of all voters who are eligible to vote in the election, including persons who are on the inactive voter list, and post this information on the county recorder's website with personally identifying information redacted. Five days before the county canvass, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to publish and post in digital format on the county's website all ballot images, and the cast vote record in a sortable format. Early and provisional ballot tabulators are required to imprint a unique identification number on each early ballot tabulated so as to allow the ballot image to be linked to the physical ballot. Ballots are required to be separated, tabulated, and stored by precinct.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-15.
S1573: hand count; political parties; employees	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The number of precincts in each county that must be randomly selected for a hand count after each election is changed to 5 percent of the precincts in the county or five precincts, whichever is greater, from two percent or two precincts. If one or more of the political parties do not provide members to select the precincts for a hand count, the county recorder is required to select a county employee who is a member of the designated political party to participate in selecting the precincts. Prohibits the canvass of the election from being completed unless the hand count is conducted and the results are conspicuously posted on the county recorder's website.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC

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S1574: voting irregularities; report; legislative review	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to maintain a record of all voting irregularities that occur during early voting, emergency voting and election day voting. Information that must be described in the record is listed. Within 30 days after election day, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to provide the record to the Legislature. Records on the chain of custody for all election equipment and ballots during early voting through the completion of provisional voting tabulation are public records and are subject to legislative subpoena. Violating any of these requirements is a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC
S1575: legislative subpoenas; disobedience	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Judiciary, Rules	A witness who neglects or refuses to obey a legislative subpoena, or who, on appearing, neglects or refuses to testify us guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.	Would require individuals to be subject to a legislative subpoena.	Judicial 5-2-1, Rules PFC,
S1576: tabulating equipment; fractional votes; manual	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Ballot tabulating equipment that is capable of registering fractional votes or that is susceptible to manipulation by an algorithm that would allow the equipment to register fractional votes is prohibited from being used for an election in Arizona. County recorders or other officers in charge of elections are required to post conspicuously on the county's website the operating manual for any tabulating equipment used by the county. If the posted manual does not accurately describe all of the capabilities of the equipment, the county is prohibited from entering into a contract with the tabulating equipment provider, or if a contract has already been executed, the contract with the tabulating equipment provider is canceled.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC,
S1577: elections; adjudicated ballots; categories	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For any ballots that are required to be duplicated and adjudicated, whether electronically or manually, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to separate the ballots by type of defect or damage and type of ballot, maintain that separation and post on the county's website the number, type and category of defective or damaged ballots processed by the county. Violations are a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor. Amendment: Requires a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections to knowingly violate requirements relating to duplicated and adjudicated ballot reporting in order to be guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Failed Senate 14-15.
S1603: elections; auditor general	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	On request of the House of Representatives or the Senate or at the Auditor General's discretion, the Auditor General is required to conduct one or more audits of county elections for state and federal offices. The audits may include reviews of voter rolls, election systems, voting equipment and ballot tabulation equipment and may review compliance with state law and the instructions and procedures manual.	None.	
S1608: precinct tabulation; verification; elections	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For a county with a population of more than 500,000 persons (Maricopa and Pima), all ballots are required to be tabulated at the polling place and verified by two persons who are not members of the same political party. At the central counting center, the ballots from that polling place must be tabulated again and verified by two different persons who are not members of the same political party. If the tallies do not match, the ballots must be counted again by hand to obtain a final total. The hand count is required to be verified by two different persons who are not members of the same political party.	None.	

Bill (House, Senate)	Sponsor	Assigned to	What it does	Direct effect on CCEC	Status
S1609: election contests; invalidated election; sanctions	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	If the court determines that the initial person declared elected or declared the nominee at a primary election or that the contested measure, constitutional amendment or other question or proposal that was declared carried did not in fact receive the highest number of votes or a sufficient number of votes to prevail, the court is required to order that portion of the election to be repeated. The new election is required to be conducted within 90 days after the court's order and to conform as nearly as practicable to the laws that otherwise would apply to an election. Any person determined by the court to be responsible for misconduct, fraud or illegal votes is liable for the costs of the court-ordered second election and is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor. Amendments: Applies requirements related to a court-ordered second election as the result of an election contest to only candidates and ballot measures at a general election. Requires a person to be determined criminally responsible of misconduct, fraud or illegal votes to be liable for the costs of a court-ordered second election. Removes the class 2 misdemeanor classification for a person determined by a court to be responsible for misconduct, fraud or illegal votes and liable for the costs of a court-ordered second election.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Failed Senate 15-14-1.
S1612: election equipment; prohibited providers	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	For any election in Arizona, election equipment, software, or systems are prohibited from being from Dominion Voting Systems, Election Systems & Software and Hart Intercivic. For any election in Arizona, election equipment, software, or systems are prohibited from containing any hardware component that is manufactured or assembled outside of the U.S., containing any line of code for any software that is written by a person who is not a U.S. citizen, and containing any line of code that has ever been reviewed by any person or entity from a foreign country.	None.	
S1613: state elections; contest; technical correction	Sen. Rogers (R)	Senate: Rules	Minor change in Title 16 (Elections) related to the conduct of elections. Apparent striker bus.	None.	
S1629: registration; verification; images; audits; boxes	Sen. Borrelli (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Makes numerous changes related to elections and voting. The Secretary of State is required to establish and administer training for signature verification on early ballots. Establishes a list of requirements for ballot drop boxes, including continuous monitoring and chain of custody documentation. For any election for which there is a federal race on the ballot, the officer in charge of elections is required, within 48 hours after delivery of the official canvass, to make available to the public a central database with an online digital copy of the ballot images, which must be searchable by precinct and meet other specified requirements. The Auditor General is required to establish an audit team to perform election integrity audits of county recorders' offices and county elections departments. Audit requirements are specified. Appropriates an unspecified amount (blank in original) from the general fund in FY2022-23 to the Secretary of State to create and maintain a ballot image portal.	Voter Education in administration of elections.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 13-15.
S1638: early ballots; visually impaired voters	Sen. Pace (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Requires any Arizona election to provide for voting by the use of an accessible vote by U.S. mail option for persons who are blind or have a visual impairment. Delays the effective date of Laws 2022, Chapter 99, relating to voter registration verification and satisfactory evidence of citizenship of a voter, from the general effective date to January 1, 2023.	Voter Education in regards to voting.	Government 5-2, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 28-0. Passed House Gov. 11-0, House Rules C&P 7-0, Passed House 32-25. Passed Senate 25-4. Signed by the Governor on 4/22/22.

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S1642: election management systems; security	Sen. Fann (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	By the 2022 primary election, county recorders or other officers in charge of elections are required to have a dedicated special purpose election management system gateway computer (EMS gateway computer) that may be used only when necessary to download data from an internet-connected system onto a removable electronic storage device for uploading to the EMS gateway computer or to download data from the EMS gateway computer to a removable electronic storage device for uploading to an internet-connected system. No other computer may be used for these purposes and the EMS gateway computer is prohibited from being used for any other purpose. Establishes a list of security protocols that apply to the EMS gateway computer.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 14-14.
S1681: restoration; voting rights; website notification	Sen. Gonzales (D)	Senate: Judiciary, Rules	For a person who has been convicted of two or more felonies, the person's right to vote is automatically restored on completion of probation or absolute discharge from imprisonment. The Secretary of State is required to establish and maintain on the Secretary of State's website a hyperlink to a website with information regarding voting rights for a person who has a criminal history and the automatic restoration of the right to vote on completion of probation or absolute discharge from imprisonment. In each county with a chief adult probation officer, that officer is required to establish and maintain on the probation department's website a hyperlink to the Secretary of State's website regarding voting rights for a person who has a criminal history, and to conspicuously post in each probation office where probationers are seen a sign that contains the probation department's website address.	Voter Education.	
SCR1005: federal ballot voters; identification	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to require federal-only voters to provide proof of citizenship by presenting one of a list of specified forms of identification in order to receive a ballot.	Update to Voter Registration education.	Government DP 4-2-1,
SCR1012: voter identification; affidavit; procedure	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to modify the type of identification that a voter may present in order to receive a ballot to require one valid and unexpired form of identification that includes a photograph, and to require a second form of identification if the photo identification does not have an address or the address does not match the address in the precinct register. The Department of Transportation is prohibited from charging a fee for issuing a nonoperating identification license if a person attests on the application that the person has applied for the license in order to comply with any legal requirements related to registering to vote or voting. Early ballot affidavits must require the voter to provide the voter's "early voter identification" (defined as the voter's Arizona driver license or nonoperating identification number, the last four digits of the voter's social security number, or the unique identifying number in the statewide electronic voter registration database as assigned by the Secretary of State) number and the voter's date of birth and signature. Any qualified Arizona voter has standing to file a special action to require any official to enforce the requirements of this legislation if the official has a legal duty to do so, and to file a declaratory judgment action to determine the proper construction of this legislation. Applies to elections beginning no later than the 2024 primary election. Severability clause.	Voter Education.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Pass Senate 16-12. Passed House 31-26. Transmitted to Secretary of State 3/01/2022.

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SCR1025: initiative; referendum; legislative districts; signatures	Sen. Leach (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to require statewide initiative measures to obtain signatures from 10 percent of the voters from each legislative district in order to propose a statewide measure and to obtain signatures from 15 percent of the voters from each legislative district in order to propose an amendment to the state Constitution.	None.	DP Senate Gov. 5-2, Rules PFC
SCR1027: corporation commissioners; appointment; election; terms	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Natural Water And Resources, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to eliminate elections for four of the five members of the Corporation Commission and require those four Commissioners to be appointed by the Governor to eight year terms, with the consent of the Senate. Also provides for implementation and the expiration of the terms of the current Commissioners.	None.	
SCR1032: plenary legislative authority; elections	Sen. Townsend (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The members of the Legislature reaffirm the Legislature's plenary power with respect to elections and oppose any attempt by the federal government to usurp or otherwise interfere with the state legislative sovereign authority over the management, control and administration of elections.	None.	Government DP 3-2-2, Rules PFC, Passed Senate 16-12. Passed House Gov. 7-6,
SCR1037: conduct of elections; voters' rights	Sen. Quezada (D)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to enact a voters' bill of rights, declaring that Arizona voters have a right to register to vote without facing unnecessary barriers, participate in fair elections in which elected officials are not choosing their own voters, vote by mail or in person and know that their votes will count, have equal access to the ballot no matter where in Arizona they live, what language they speak or what physical abilities they possess, propose and enact laws when elected officials fail to act, and know that when they elect someone, the elected official will work for the voters, not donors or lobbyists.		
SCR1046: voter identification; Arizona card	Sen. Borrelli (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	The 2022 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend state statute to delete the option for a voter to present, in order to receive a ballot and in lieu of government-issued photo identification, two different items that contain the name and address of the voter that reasonably appear to be the same as the name and address in the precinct register, including a utility bill, a bank or credit union statement, a valid Arizona vehicle registration, an Arizona vehicle insurance card, an Indian census card, tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification, a property tax statement, a recorder's certificate, a voter registration card, a valid government-issued identification, or any mailing that is labeled as "official election material." Expands the list of acceptable voter identification to include a U.S. passport, U.S. military identification card, employee identification card for a government employee, student or employee identification card for a postsecondary school, and an Arizona voter photo identification card. The Secretary of State is required to issue an Arizona voter identification card to registered voters who meet specified requirements. An Arizona voter identification card is valid only as identification for voting purposes.	Voter Education Efforts.	

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SCR1048: article V convention; term limits	Sen. Mesnard (R)	Senate: Government, Rules	Pursuant to Article V of the U.S. Constitution, the Arizona State Legislature formally applies to the U. S. Congress to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to limit the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives and as a member of the U.S. Senate. The Secretary of State is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker, Clerk and Judiciary Committee Chairman of the U. S. House, each member of Congress from Arizona, and the presiding officers of each house of the several state legislatures, requesting their cooperation.	None.	Government DP 4-3, Rules PFC, Fail Senate 13-15.

2022 One-Party-Dominant Legislative Districts

Pursuant to A.R.S. §16-952(D), a one-party-dominant legislative district is a district in which the number of registered voters registered in the party with the highest number of registered voters exceeds the number of registered voters to each of the other parties by an amount at least as high as ten per cent of the total number of voters registered in the district.

Legislative District	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Democrat	33,735	41,112	37,306	50,255	58,297	78,059	36,687	49,255	38,996	35,173
Libertarian	1,313	1,627	1,245	1,496	1,239	897	1,199	1,495	1,410	1,362
Republican	79,819	50,442	85,263	70,479	28,995	29,611	69,734	32,755	39,897	66,297
Other	50,690	52,954	56,101	57,547	44,225	44,297	48,141	49,960	47,227	51,611
Total	165,557	146,135	179,915	179,777	132,756	152,864	155,761	133,465	127,530	154,443
Majority Party	GOP	GOP	GOP	GOP	Dem	Dem	GOP	Dem	GOP	GOP
Difference	46,084	9,330	47,957	20,224	29,302	48,448	33,047	16,500	901	31,124
10% of registered voters	16,556	14,614	17,992	17,978	13,276	15,286	15,576	13,347	12,753	15,444
Dominant Party District	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Legislative District	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Democrat	54,772	53,751	41,926	34,216	31,664	42,044	51,171	65,566	37,521	62,627
Libertarian	758	1,412	1,163	1,401	1,462	991	1,294	1,250	1,115	856
Republican	15,401	47,020	52,123	64,354	70,034	43,460	67,200	44,957	62,086	17,870
Other	40,404	53,557	50,160	49,376	51,845	50,270	52,348	48,378	47,422	39,262
Total	111,335	155,740	145,372	149,347	155,005	136,765	172,013	160,151	148,144	120,615
Majority Party	Dem	Dem	GOP	GOP	GOP	GOP	GOP	Dem	GOP	Dem
Difference	39,371	6,731	10,197	30,138	38,370	1,416	16,029	20,609	24,565	44,757
10% of registered voters	11,134	15,574	14,537	14,935	15,501	13,677	17,201	16,015	14,814	12,062
Dominant Party District	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Legislative District	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Democrat	56,528	45,437	45,613	39,442	32,463	38,200	42,205	37,826	37,939	24,215
Libertarian	989	768	810	784	1,132	678	1,450	1,007	1,105	1,045
Republican	27,283	19,196	28,788	18,470	57,859	15,429	55,048	78,535	56,044	84,332
Other	44,547	42,085	44,288	37,269	49,391	34,087	51,672	49,771	50,712	53,216
Total	129,347	107,486	119,499	95,965	140,845	88,394	150,375	167,139	145,800	162,808
Majority Party	Dem	Dem	Dem	Dem	GOP	Dem	GOP	GOP	GOP	GOP
Difference	29,245	26,241	16,825	20,972	25,396	22,771	12,843	40,709	18,105	60,117
10% of registered voters	12,935	10,749	11,950	9,597	14,085	8,839	15,038	16,714	14,580	16,281
Dominant Party District	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

One-party-dominant districts are calculated using the April 2022 Voter Registration Counts.