# **Tucson Metro Chamber** 2<sup>nd</sup> Session/51<sup>st</sup> Legislature Report Card

# TAX CREDITS; STOS; PREAPPROVAL;

Would have established an individual income tax credit for the pro rata amount of contributions made by a business to school tuition organizations.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

## 19. HB2316 SCHOOLS; LOCAL CONTROL; STUDENT

The Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Department of Education would have been prohibited from adopting any educational standards, curricula or instructional approaches that may have been mandated by the federal government. Prohibits applying for any federal grant that required the adoption of any federally developed standards, curricula or instructional approaches.

### **TMCC Position: OPPOSE**

### 20. SB1310 SCHOOLS; COMMON CORE; PROHIBITION

The State Board of Education is prohibited from implementing the common core standards and from adopting or revising curricular standards in a manner that would effectively implement the common core standards

**TMCC Position: OPPOSE** 

### **SCHOOLS; COMPETENCY REQS; ASSESSMENTS**

School district and charter school governing boards are required to adopt and implement an instrument to measure student achievement in reading, writing and mathematics in at least four grades designated by the school board. TMCC Position: OPPOSE

### 22. HB2144 SCHOOL PUPILS: ACADEMIC INTERVENTION

Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, if sufficient monies are available, school district governing boards are required to maintain a confidential list of students with a grade point average of 2.0 or lower on a 4.0 scale, or the

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

# 23. HB2046 DISASTER RECOVERY; BUSINESSES; TAX; **REGULATION**

Out-of-state businesses, partnerships, corporations and employees that are in Arizona on a temporary basis solely to perform disaster recovery from a "declared disaster" are not subject to any state or local registration, licensing or certification requirements and are not required to file, withhold or pay state or local income, use or property taxes.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION; CONTINUATION** The statutory life of the State Board of

Equalization is extended 10 years to July 1,

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

## CITY OR TOWN COUNCIL; VACANCY

If a member of a municipal council ceases to be a qualified elector of the municipality, the council seat held by that member is deemed vacant; must be filled in the same manner as any vacancy.
TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 26. SB1484 TAX CREDIT; MANUFACTURERS; RENEWABLE

Establishes an income tax credit for investments of at least \$300 million in a three-year period in new "renewable energy facilities" in Arizona that produce energy for self-consumption if the power will be used primarily for manufacturing.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 27. HB2339 FIREARMS; PERMIT HOLDERS; PUBLIC **PLACES**

It would not have been considered misconduct involving weapons to carry a deadly weapon at a public establishment or event if the person possessed a valid concealed weapons permit. **TMCC Position: OPPOSE** 

## SALES TAX; REDUCED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Taxpayers with annual TPT liability between \$2,000 and \$8,000 pay TPT on a quarterly basis; annual TPT liability of less than \$2,000 pay on an annual basis.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

# **ACCELERATED DEPRECIATION; CLASS 6**

The accelerated depreciation schedule for certain class 1 and class 2 property also applies to personal property that is acquired during or after tax year 2014 and is initially classified during or after tax year 2015 as class 6 property.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 30. HB2554 BUSINESS ENTITIES; PUBLICATION; **POSTING; REQUIREMENT**

The Corporation Commission is required to establish and maintain a database for documents filed pursuant to statutory public notice requirements for corporate filings; required to post the database on its website; authorized to charge a fee.

**TMCC Position: OPPOSE** 

# 31. HB2001 INSURANCE; CONTINUING EDUCATION;

For the purpose of being "continuously licensed" for insurance licensee continuing education requirements, a license that expires is not considered to have terminated if the late fee is timely paid and the license is renewed or the license is placed on inactive status. **TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

WORKERS' COMP; CONTROLLED Modifies requirements for the use of a narcotic

or opium-based controlled substance for injuries covered by workers' compensation, including requiring the medication to demonstrate "clinically meaningful improvement in function."

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### 33. SB1181 **GUARANTY FUND; WORKERS'** COMPENSATION

Insurers who write only workers' compensation insurance are no longer excluded from the definition of "member insurer"; Fund is obligated to pay benefits on workers' compensation claims if an insurer becomes

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS; OMNIBUS

Changes to statutes relating to financial transactions; modifies various rules relating to collateral and filing of financing statements for secured transactions.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

# MORTGAGES; TRUST DEEDS; DEFICIENCY

For mortgages and deeds of trust originated after December 31, 2014, anti-deficiency protection does not apply to real property owned by a person engaged in the business of constructing and selling dwellings that was acquired by the person in the course of that business, property that contains a dwelling that was never "substantially completed," or property that contains a dwelling that is never actually utilized as a dwelling.

# TMCC Position: SUPPORT

# 36. SB1075 WORKERS' COMP; PHYSICIAN-DISPENSED MEDICATIONS

A workers' compensation carrier, self-insured employer or the Industrial Commission are not liable for payment for medications that a physician dispenses unless the physician dispenses the medication within 14 days after the employee first seeks medical treatment for

TMCC Position: SUPPORT



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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Session/51<sup>st</sup> **Legislature Report Card**



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		Priority Bills										Infrastructure		ture	Land Use		
Name	District	Party	1. HB2703	2. HB2135	3. HB2163	4. HB2167	5. HB2260	6. SB1351	7. SB1392	8. SB1413	9. HB2389	10. HB2014	11. HCR2018	12. HB2148	13. HB2118	14. SCM1001	15. HB2114
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Dalessandro, Andrea	2	D	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+			+		+	+
Farley, Steve	9	D	-	+	+	+	+	3	?	+	+			+		+	+
Galbadon, Rosanna	2	D	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Gonzales, Sally Ann	3	D	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	•	-	+	+	•	+
Gowan, David	14	R	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Griffin, Gail	14	R	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+			+		+	+
Kwasman, Adam	11	R	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	3	?	+	+	+	+	?	+
Mach, Stefanie	10	D	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	•	-	+	+	•	+
Melvin, Al	11	R	+	+	+	+	+	3	?	+	+			+		+	+
Orr, Ethan	9	R	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Saldate, Macario	3	D	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+
Smith, Steve	11	R	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Steele, Victoria	9	D	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	•	-	+	+	-	+
Stevens, David	14	R	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Wheeler, Bruce	10	D	-	+	+	?	?	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+

### 1. HB2703 **BUDGET: GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:** FY2014-15

The "feed bill" for FY2014-15, containing appropriations for state agencies and programs. Signed with line-item vetoes.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 2. HB2135 MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION; CONTINUATION

The Military Affairs Commission is extended 8 years to July 1, 2022.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

## 3. HB2163

LIMITED LIABILITY; SPACE FLIGHT ACTIVITIES A "space flight entity" may enter into a liability

release agreement with a space flight participant to limit the entity's civil liability for a space flight participant's injury that arises out of space flight activities. The liability release agreement is valid and enforceable.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

#### 4. HB2167 SPORTS AUTHORITY: ELECTION

The board of directors of a sports authority district in a county with a population of more than 500,000 but less than 2 million persons (Pima County) is permitted to call an election for the establishment of a sports authority in the county.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 5. HB2260 SMALL BUSINESS BILL OF RIGHTS

State agencies which conduct audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement actions are required to create and post on their website a small business bill of rights that includes specified information. Must provide a written document of the small business bill of

rights.
TMCC Position: SUPPORT

# MULTIPURPOSE FACILITIES DISTRICTS; RIO

Multipurpose facilities district boards of directors are required to submit a report to the Legislature by October 1 of each year. Members of the board of directors are required to be residents of the county in which the district is located, and at least four of the nine members must be residents of the municipality in which the district is located.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 7. SB1392

UNIVERSITIES: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Arizona Board of Regents is required to maintain intellectual property policies that allow the licensing, assignment or other transfer of intellectual property owned by ABOR to third parties if the transfer is in the best interest of the state and the university system.
TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 8. SB1413 TAXES; MANUFACTURERS' ELECTRICITY SALES; EXEMPTION

List of deductions from the tax base for the utilities classification is expanded to include gross proceeds of sales or gross income derived from sales of electricity or natural gas to a business that is "principally engaged" in "manufacturing" or "smelting" operations that uses at least 51 percent of the electricity or natural gas in the manufacturing or smelting

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

+ "Correct" vote, supported TMCC's position - "Wrong" vote, contrary to TMCC's position ? No recorded vote

Education							General Business									Find	nce/	Insurc	ınce				
16. HB2005	17. HB2205	18. SB1048	19. HB2316	20. SB1310	21. SB1396	22. HB2144	23. HB2046	24. HB2161	25. HB2162	26. SB1484	27. HB2339	28. SB1134	29. SB1412	30. HB2554	31. HB2001	32. HB2221	33. SB1181	34. SB1046	35. HB2018	36. SB1075	2014 Totals %	2013 Totals %	2-yr Total %
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### TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX CHANGES

A person desiring to engage or continue in business within a municipality that imposes a municipal privilege tax is required to apply to the Department of Revenue for an annual municipal privilege tax license, accompanied by a fee of up to \$50.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### 10. HB2014

### **BALLOT MEASURES; PROP 105 DISCLOSURE**

For ballot propositions that make statutory changes, a statement that the measure can never be changed except by a 3/4 vote of the Legislature or by referring the change to the ballot must be printed on the official ballot. **TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### 11. HCR2018 **FUNDING BALLOT MEASURES**; REAUTHORIZATION

2014 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to place an eight-year limit on any initiative or referendum measure that authorizes or requires the expenditure of state monies. At the end of the eight-year period, a reauthorization measure must be referred to the ballot at the next general election.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### 12. HB2148 MUNICIPALITIES: COUNTIES: TRANSFER: **RIGHT-OF-WAY**

A transfer of a county right-of-way or roadway to an adjacent municipality must be treated by the municipality as if the transferred property

was newly annexed territory.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

### 13. HB2118 **UTILITIES: RIGHT OF WAY**

An underground facilities operator is not required to remove or relocate an active, inactive or abandoned underground facility located in the right-of-way of a state highway, state route or interstate highway under the direct control of the Dept. of Transportation except if the operator is notified during the design phase that the facility will be in direct physical conflict with the excavation for active roadway construction.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### 14. SCM1001

### YUMA DESALTING PLANT

Legislature urges the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior to immediately take all necessary measures to operate the Yuma Desalting Plant.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

### 15. HB2114 ADOT: LAND ACQUISITION: CONVEYANCES: RELOCATION

Various changes relating to land acquisition by county agencies or the Dept. of Transportation. The maximum amounts the displacing agency is required to pay a displaced person, business or farm operation for various expenses related to relocating a dwelling, farm or business are increased.

TMCC Position: SUPPORT

# 16. HB2005 COMMUNITY COLLEGES; NONRESIDENTS; REIMBURSEMENT

The information that must be included in each community college district's annual report to the Governor and the Legislature is expanded to include the number of nonresident students

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT** 

#### 17. HB2205 VETERINARY FACULTY MEMBER LICENSES

State Veterinary Medical Examining Board is required to issue "veterinary faculty member" licenses for licensees to practice veterinary medicine only under official academic responsibilities.

**TMCC Position: SUPPORT**