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| **Important Session Dates:**  **Opening Day; January 13, 2025** | |

*All House and Senate bills which have not met session deadlines and therefore will not be moving forward in this session have been moved to the end of the list.*

**(Notations in Red represent new information or final action.)**

***Bills Impacting Veterans/Military***

**Senate Bills**

[SB1009](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81601) Appropriations; nuclear emergency management fund

An Act appropriating monies; making assessments; relating to the nuclear emergency management fund. For use by the division of emergency management of the department of emergency and military affairs as provided in section 26-306.02, Arizona Revised Statutes.

**Primary Sponsor: Kavanaugh, John**

2025-01-21 Senate – DO PASS (Vote; 9-0-1-0)

2025-01-15 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-14 Senate – First Read

[SB1021](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81625) ROTC cadets; in-state student status

An Act amending section 15-1802, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to classification of students for tuition purposes.

**Primary Sponsor: Rogers, Wendy**

2025-01-15 Senate – DO PASS (Vote 7-0-0-0)

2025-01-15 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-14 Senate – First Read

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[SB1043](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81748) Homeless shelter services fund; appropriation

An Act Amending title 9, chapter 4, article 8, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 9-500.52; amending title 41, chapter 37, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding Section 41-3958; Appropriating monies; relating to the Arizona Department of Housing. Resources for veterans.

**Primary Sponsor: Miranda, Catherine**

2025-01-15 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-14 Senate – First Read

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[SB1047](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81752) Appropriations; named claimants

An Act appropriating monies for the relief of named CLAIMANTS. State General Fund in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Department of Veterans Services to pay the claimants identified.

**Primary Sponsor: Kavanaugh, John**

2025-01-21 Senate – DO PASS (Vote; 9-0-1-0)

2025-01-15 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-14 Senate – First Read

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[SB1065](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81796) Appropriation; reduction; courts

An Act amending laws 2024, chapter 209, section 129; relating to the judiciary.

**Primary Sponsor: Finchem, Mark**

2025-01-16 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-15 Senate – First Read

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[SB1122](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82019) Property tax exemptions; inflation adjustment

An Act amending section 42-11111, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to property tax exemptions.

Exemption for property; widows and widowers; persons with a total and permanent disability; veterans with a disability.

**Primary Sponsor: Mesnard, J.D.**

2025-01-23 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-22 Senate – First Read

2025-01-15 Senate - Introduced

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[SB1150](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82315) State land; exchanges

An Act amending section 37-604, Arizona Revised Statutes; RELATING to state trust land EXCHANGES.

**Primary Sponsor: Gowan, David**

2025-01-23 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-22 Senate – First Read

2025-01-16 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1155](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82324) Income tax; subtraction; uniformed services

An Act amending section 43-1022, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to taxation of income.

**Primary Sponsor: Gowan, David**

2025-01-23 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-22 Senate – First Read

2025-01-16 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1158](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82331) Property tax; exemption; widows; widowers

An Act amending section 42-11111, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to property tax. Under Subsection C; identifies a person with a total and permanent disability and a veteran with a service or nonservice connected disability.

**Primary Sponsor: Gowan, David**

2025-01-23 Senate – Second Read

2025-01-22 Senate – First Read

2025-01-16 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1160](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82336) Office of defense innovation; appropriation

An Act Amending Title 41, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 41-117; appropriating monies; relating to the governor.

**Primary Sponsor: Gowan, David**

2025-01-23 Senate – First Read

2025-01-16 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1163](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82339) Veterans; emergency admission; transport

An Act amending sections 36-524 and 36-525, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to mental health services. Identifies a peace officer or a police officer who is an employee of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

**Primary Sponsor: Gowan, David**

2025-01-23 Senate – First Read

2025-01-16 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1186](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82508) Rental housing; income source discrimination

An Act amending title 33, chapter 10, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 33-1319.01; relating to the Arizona residential landlord and tenant act.

**Primary Sponsor: Ortiz, Analise**

2025-01-21 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1241](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82591) Animal bites; owner contact information

An Act amending section 11-1025, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to animal handling.

**Primary Sponsor: Kavanaugh, John**

2025-01-22 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1267](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82629) Veterans; lifetime state park pass

An Act Amending title 41, chapter 3, article 1.1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 41-511.26; relating to the Arizona state parks board.

**Primary Sponsor: Rogers, Wendy**

2025-01-23 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1279](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82642) Technical correction; military; special plates

An Act amending section 28-2428, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to special license plates.

**Primary Sponsor: Finchem, Mark**

2025-01-23 Senate – Introduced

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[SB1281](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82648) Adjutant general; duties

An Act amending sections 26-102 and 26-181, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to emergency and military affairs.

**Primary Sponsor: Gowan, David**

2025-01-23 Senate - Introduced

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**House Bills**

[HCM2004](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82042) Military bases; exemption from ESA

A concurrent memorial urging the United States Congress to enact legislation exempting military bases from Endangered Species Act.

**Primary Sponsor: Griffin, Gail**

2025-01-15 House - Introduced

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[HCR2010](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81848) Gold star families; legacy preservation

A concurrent Resolution supporting Gold Starr Families and the historical significance of the term.

**Primary Sponsor: Blackman, Walter**

2025-01-13 House – Introduced

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[HCR2019](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82169) Technical correction; National Guard

A concurrent Resolution proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Arizona; amending

ARTICLE XVI, SECTION 2, Constitution of Arizona; Relating to the National Guard.

**Primary Sponsor: Gress, Matt**

2025-01-16 House - Introduced

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[HCR2023](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82203) Property tax; combat veterans; exemption

A Concurrent Resolution enacting and ordering the submission to the people of a measure relating to property tax.

**Primary Sponsor: Kolodin, Alexander**

2025-01-14 House – Introduced

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[HB2004](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81638) Voter registration cards; mailing limitation

An Act amending section 16-166, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to voter registration rolls. Prohibits the county recorders from providing an initial or updated voter registration card to a person whose mailing address is outside the state of Arizona, except for absent uniformed services voters or overseas voters as defined in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

**Primary Sponsor: Gillette, John**

2025-01-22 House – Second Read

2025-01-21 House – First Read

2025-01-15 House - Introduced

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[HB2009](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81643) Vehicle license tax; exemption; military

An Act amending section 28-5811, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to vehicle license tax. Requires an individual to have valid orders and to be within 30 days of deployment to be able to register a vehicle for one year without payment of registration fees and the vehicle license tax. Permits an individual who paid registration fees or vehicle license taxes who qualifies under this provision to apply for a refund of all monies submitted. Makes the changes retroactive to six months before the effective date of this Act.

**Primary Sponsor: Carter, Pamela**

2025-01-15 House – Second Read

2025-01-13 House – First Read

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[HB2030](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81687) Impersonation; veteran; armed forces

An Act amending title 13, chapter 24, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 13-2414; relating to obstruction of public administration. Designates impersonating a veteran of the United States Armed Forces and engaging in specific, listed conduct with the intent to induce another to submit to the person’s fraudulent official authority or to rely upon the person’s fraudulent official acts to be a felony. Stipulates the class of felony based on the conduct of the individual while impersonating a veteran, and entitles the act the Master Sergeant Orlando Dona Valor act.

**Primary Sponsor: Blackman, Walter**

2025-01-21 House – Second Read

2025-01-16 House – First Read

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[HB2036](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81693) ASRS; temporary personnel service

An Act amending section 38-745, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to the Arizona state retirement system.

**Primary Sponsor: Livingston, David**

2025-01-15 House – Second Read

2025-01-13 House – First Read

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[HB2056](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81722) Geoengineering; prohibition

An Act amending section 45-117, Arizona Revised Statutes; repealing title 45, chapter 9, Arizona Revised Statutes; amending title 49, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 49-119; relating to climate modification. Requires the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to investigate any credible reports, identifies Government entities.

**Primary Sponsor: Fink, Lisa**

2025-01-15 House – Second Read

2025-01-14 House – First Read

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[HB2077](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81744) ASRS; long-term disability

An Act amending section 38-797.07, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to the Arizona state retirement system. Identifies; veteran's disability payment is for the same condition or a condition related to the condition currently causing the member’s disability. The veteran's disability is due to, or a result of, service in the armed forces of the United States.

**Primary Sponsor: Livingston, David**

2025-01-15 House – Second Read

2025-01-13 House – First Read

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[HB2111](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81804) Suicide prevention special plate

AN ACT amending sections 28-2351 and 28-2403, Arizona Revised Statutes; amending title 28, chapter 7, article 12, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 28-2470.27; amending sections 28-6501, 28-6991 and 28-6993, Arizona Revised Statutes; amending title 36, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 36-123.04; relating to special plates. 988 Suicide Awareness Special Plates.

**Primary Sponsor: Biasiucci, Leo**

2025-01-21 House – Second Read

2025-01-16 House – First Read

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[HB2113](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81806) Flags; public property; prohibition

An Act Amending title 38, chapter 3, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 38-452; relating to displays on public property. Prohibits all but approved flags from being displayed on public property in Arizona and lists the flags that are permitted on public property. Stipulates that this legislation applies only to those who are elected, appointed, or employed publicly.

**Primary Sponsor: Kupper, Nickolas**

2025-01-16 House – Second Read

2025-01-15 House – First Read

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[HB2133](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81829) Nurses; provisional licensure

An Act amending title 32, chapter 15, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 32-1635.02; relating to the Arizona state board of nursing. Waives fees for veterans or spouses of active duty members of United States Armed Forces.

**Primary Sponsor: Bliss, Selina**

2025-01-22 House – Do Pass Amended (vote; 4-3-0-0-0-0)

2025-01-16 House – Second Read

2025-01-15 House – First Read

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[HB2146](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81842) Arizona border coordination office; appropriation

An Act Amending section 26-102, Arizona Revised Statutes; Amending title 26, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 26-108; appropriating monies; relating to emergency and military affairs.

**Primary Sponsor: Blackman, Walter**

2025-01-23 House – First Read

2025-01-15 House – Introduced

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[HB2149](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81845) Technical correction; veterans; conservatorship

An Act amending section 41-606, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to the department of veterans' services.

**Primary Sponsor: Blackman, Walter**

2025-01-15 House – First Read

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[HB2188](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81892) National guard; active duty combat

An Act amending title 26, chapter 1, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 26-164; relating to the National Guard.

**Primary Sponsor: Kolodin, Alexander**

2025-01-14 House – Introduced

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[HB2217](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81961) National guard; life insurance

An Act amending title 26, chapter 1, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 26-158.01; relating to the National Guard.

**Primary Sponsor: Blackman, Walter**

2025-01-15 House – First Read

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[HB2245](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/81990) Appropriation; medical marijuana; veterans; fees

An Act appropriating monies to the department of health services. Appropriates $10,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Department of Health Services for the issuance and renewal of registry identification cards for Veterans of the United States Armed Forces pursuant to state law.

**Primary Sponsor: Mathis, Chris**

2025-01-23 House – First Read

2025-01-15 House – Introduced

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[HB2261](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82021) Medical marijuana; fee; exemption; veterans

An Act amending Section 36-2804.02, Arizona Revised Statues; relating to medical marijuana.

**Primary Sponsor: Hernandez, Consuelo**

2025-01-15 House – Introduced

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[HB2296](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82060) Shared parenting time; presumption; prohibition

An Act amending sections 25-403, 25-403.02 and 25-411, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to parenting time. Identifies parent's temporary duty, deployment, activation or mobilization orders from the United States military.

**Primary Sponsor: Fink, Lisa**

2025-01-15 House – Introduced

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[HB2320](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82091) Appropriation; veterans' services; mental health

AN ACT appropriating monies to the Department of Veterans Services.

**Primary Sponsor: Gillette, John**

2025-01-23 House – First Read

2025-01-15 House - Introduced

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[HB2336](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82107) Native American veteran special plates

An Act amending sections 28-2351 and 28-2403, Arizona Revised Statutes; amending title 28, chapter 7, article 12, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 28-2470.27; amending sections 28-6501, 28-6991 and 28-6993, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to special plates.

**Primary Sponsor: Peshlakai, Mae**

2025-01-22 House – Second Read

2025-01-21 House – First Read

2025-01-15 House - Introduced

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[HB2393](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82188) Appropriation; veterans warming center; Payson

An Act appropriating monies to the department of veterans' services.

**Primary Sponsor: Blackman, Walter**

2025-01-22 House – Second Read

2025-01-21 House – First Read

2025-01-16 House - Introduced

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[HB2406](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82195) Property tax; exemption; combat veterans

An Act amending sections 42-11111 and 42-17151, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to property tax.

**Primary Sponsor: Kolodin, Alexander**

2025-01-16 House – Introduced

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[HB2506](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82307) Dolores Huerta; Cesar Chavez; holiday

An Act amending section 1-301, Arizona Revised Statutes; repealing section 1-308, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to holidays. Cesar Chavez served in the United States Navy;1944-1946.

**Primary Sponsor: Sandoval, Mariana**

2025-01-16 House - Introduced

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[HB2538](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82360) Rental housing; income source discrimination.

An Act amending title 33, chapter 10, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 33-1319.01; relating to the Arizona residential landlord and tenant act. Identifies Veterans Benefits as source of income.

**Primary Sponsor: Abeytia, Anna**

2025-01-22 House – Second Read

2025-01-21 House – First Read

2025-01-16 House - Introduced

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[HB2612](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82437) Veterans' benefits; claims; prohibition

An Act Amending Section 41-608.01, Arizona Revised Statues; Amending TITLE 41, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 7, Arizona Revised Statues, by adding Section 41-610.03; Relating to the Department of Veterans Services.

**Primary Sponsor: Kupper, Nickolas**

2025-01-22 House – Second Read

2025-01-21 House – First Read

2025-01-15 House – Introduced

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[HB2617](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82442) Processing arrestees; veteran status

An Act Amending title 13, chapter 38, article 7, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding section 13-3904; relating to arrest.

**Primary Sponsor: Marquez, Aaron**

2025-01-16 House - Introduced

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[HB2672](https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview/82547) Property tax; exemption; veterans; disabilities

An Act amending section 42-11111, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to property tax exemptions.

**Primary Sponsor: Carbone, Michael**

2025-01-21 House - Introduced

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