



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR H.C.R. 2001

initiatives; single subject; title

Purpose

Subject to voter approval, requires initiatives to embrace a single subject and matters properly connected to the subject. Voids any subject included in an initiative that is not expressed in the title of the measure.

Background

The Arizona Constitution grants the people the power to: 1) propose laws and amendments to the Constitution; 2) enact or reject laws and amendments at the polls, independent of the Legislature; and 3) approve or reject any item, section or part of any act of the Legislature at the polls. The initiative power allows 10 percent of the qualified electors to propose any measure and 15 percent of qualified electors to propose any amendment to the Arizona Constitution. Each statewide initiative petition must be addressed to the Secretary of State and contain the declaration of each petitioner that the petitioner is a qualified elector of the state and include the petitioner's post office address, street and number of residence and the date of the signature. Each sheet containing petitioner's signatures must be attached to a full and correct copy of the title and text of the measure. An initiative measure becomes law when approved by a majority of votes cast and upon proclamation of the Governor ([Ariz. Const. art. 4, pt. 1, § 1](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Requires an initiative to embrace one subject and matters properly connected to the subject.
2. Requires the subject of an initiative to be expressed in the title of the measure.
3. Voids any subject embraced in an initiative that is not expressed in the title of the measure.
4. Makes technical and conforming changes.
5. Requires the Secretary of State to submit the proposition to the voters at the next general election.
6. Becomes effective if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the Governor.

House Action

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