How Legislative **Bills That Affect** Youth Arise and How Best to **Advocate For Your** Patients and Profession

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Disclosures

Nothing to disclose

Objectives

- Recognize that every year several legislative bills are introduced that directly affect pediatric providers and patients
- 2. Describe the legislative process of a bill from conception to being signed into law
- 3. Relate how pediatric providers can advocate for their profession and patients by using the Request to Speak system

Think legislation has no impact on your practice and patients? Think again...



SB1085: Allows pharmacist to test and treat for children for common respiratory illness



HB 2442: Emergency use immunizations are not required for school



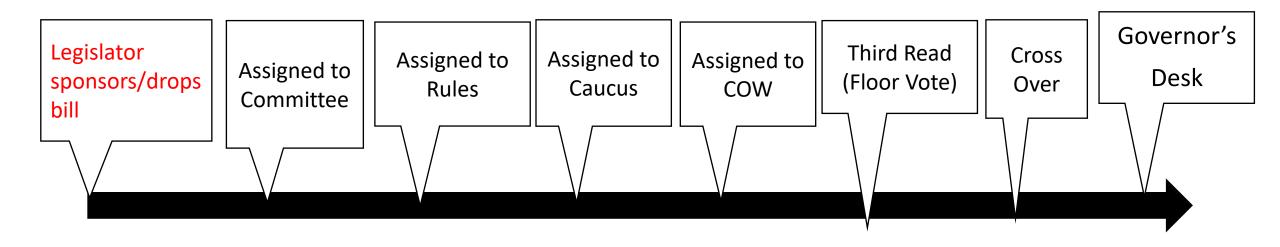
SB1186: Allows Delta 8 (synthetic marijuana THC) to be sold in gas stations



HB2323: Allow parents whose children have been removed by DCS, to an ask for second opinion



A bill's long, long, long road to the Governor's Desk



A bill's shaky start...

- Your elected official is approached by a trade lobbyist/organization, state agency or a constituent with a legislative concern.
- Your elected official can agree or disagree to sponsor your issue via a legislative bill
- Remember:
 - They have many lobbyists/constituent in their ear.
 - They have limited time and resources to devote to each bill.
 - They have a deadline to submit their bills.

A Way to Advocate

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- Arizona Chapter of AAP Advocacy committee
- Meets on Tuesday nights during the legislative session
- With the help of two lobbyists we:
 - ✓ Meet with legislators
 - ✓ Shapes industry bill content
 - ✓ Attends Health Committee Meetings
 - ✓ Helps sponsor new bills

Who actually writes the bill?

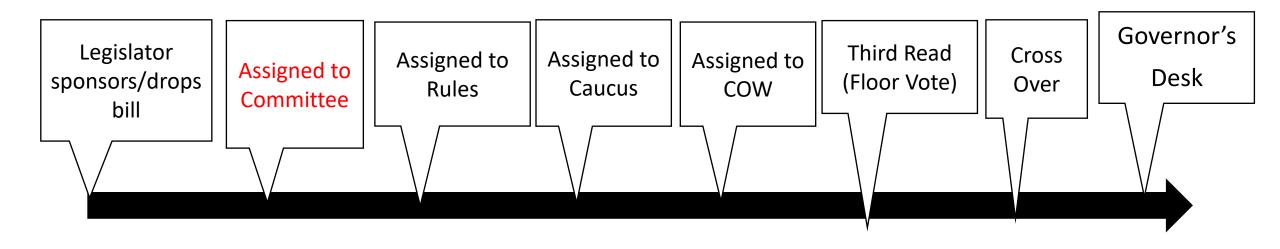
- Multitude of sources of give legislators their input
- A working draft exchanges hands by all involved parties, with multiple rounds of edits of verbiage
- Legislative Council: a statutory committee chaired in alternate years by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and includes six additional members from each chamber
- The Leg Council staff provide a variety of nonpartisan bill drafting, research, computer and other administrative services to all of the members of both houses of the Legislature.

We have a bill!

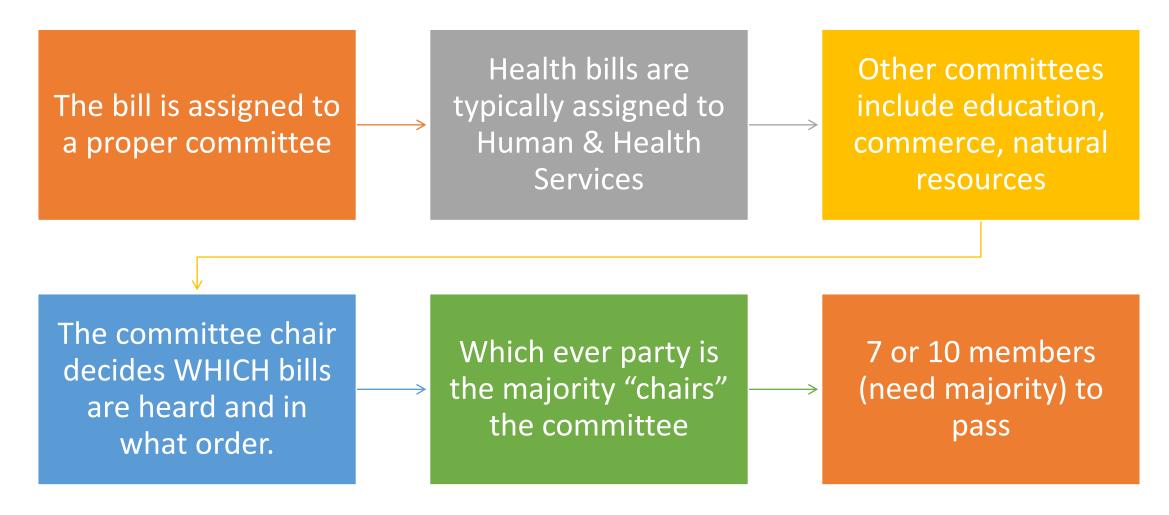


ONCE THEY AGREE...A BILL FOLDER IS OPENED AND NAMED

SENATE 1### OR HOUSE2###



The Committee Process

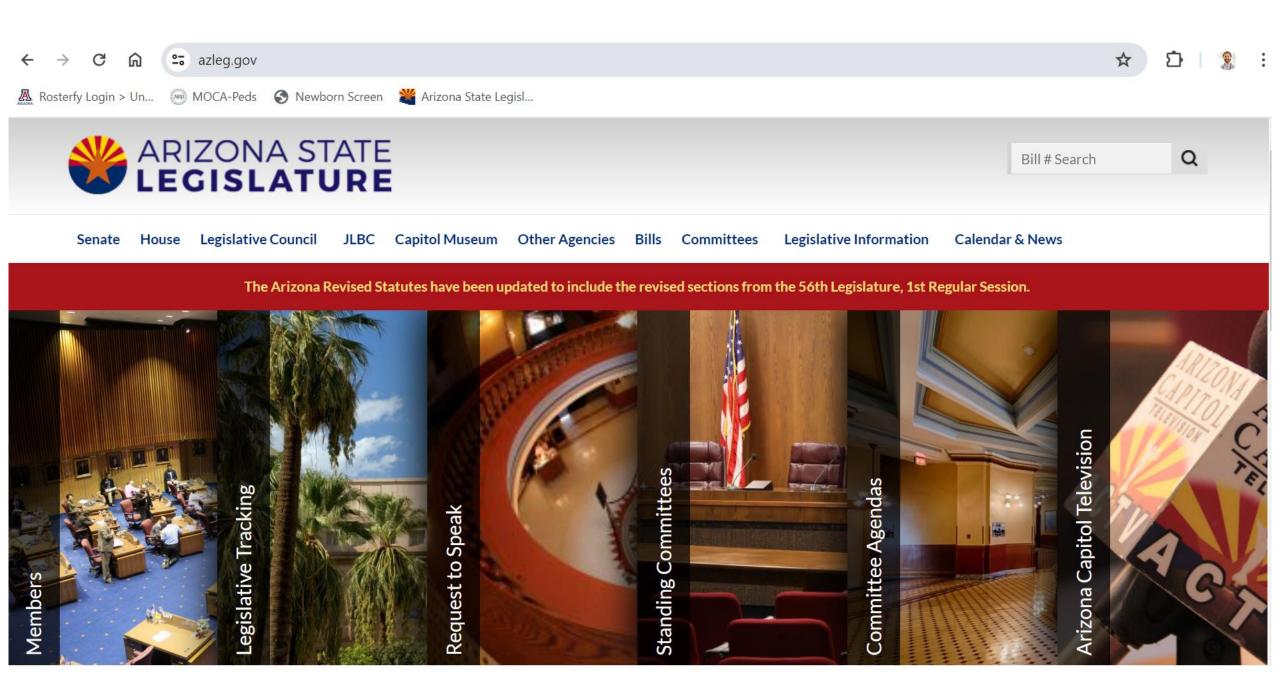


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Eva Burch	Member									
Sally Ann Gonzales	Member									
Theresa Hatathlie	Member									
Janae Shamp	Vice-Chairman									
Thomas "T.J." Shope	Chairman									
Justine Wadsack	Member									

The Process

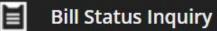
• "IF" the Committee hears the bill, citizens can use the Request to Speak (RTS) system to officially list their:

- 1. Support or disapproval of the bill
- 2. Comment on the bill
- 3. Request to speak in person prior to the Committee vote.





🔞 Request to Speak



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Request To Speak 0 Need Help Gary Kirkilas II Applications Ħ Home Edit Request to Speak Ш **My Requests** HB2187 - health professionals; Your position on the ┢ For **Item Description:** title use; prohibitions item: 10 **New Request** Neutral 2R Session: 투 Against **Agenda Date:** 2/12/2024 I≡ I **My Bill Positions** Do you wish to speak? 🔿 🕢 Yes Agenda Time: 2:00 P.M. 😢 No 闾 **Upcoming Agendas** Agenda Room: HHR 4 If Necessary Comment \mathbf{O} Agenda Search Ħ **RTS Manual** 250 characters remaining People with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations UPDATE such as interpreters, alternative formats, or assistance with physical accessibility. If you require accommodations, please contact the Chief Clerk's Office at (602) 926-3032, TDD (602) 926-3241.

SB1085 - pharmacists; independent testing; treatment

This information is compiled both from the House and the Senate for the bill.

For committee specific RTS info please go to Agenda Inquiry.

FOR (10)

Jesse Abah, Self(01/30/2024); Michelle Ahlmer, AZ RETAILERS ASSN(01/29/2024); Hoda Alshagra, Self(01/30/2024); Jenna Bentley, BARRY GOLDWATER INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH(01/30/2024); Kelly Fine , AZ PHARMACY ASSOCIATION(01/29/2024); Trish Hart, WALGREEN CO(01/30/2024); Mike MacKinnon, Self(01/17/2024); Dianne McCallister, AZ PHARMACY ASSOCIATION(01/28/2024); Jaime Molera, CVS HEALTH(01/29/2024); Kylee Newgass, Self(02/04/2024);

AGAINST (21)

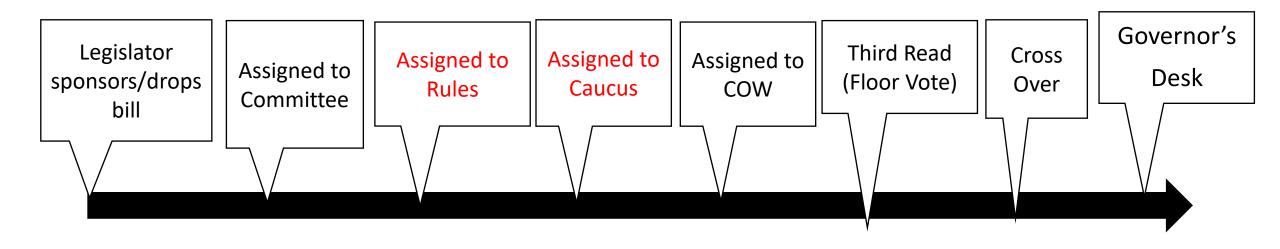
Steven Brown MD, Self(01/26/2024); Jeremy Browning, AZ OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL ASSN(01/29/2024); Kathyrn Busby, Arizona Nurses Association(01/30/2024); Susan Cannata, AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS - AZ CHAPTER(01/30/2024); Susan Cannata AZ ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS(01/30/2024); Claire Coronado, Self(02/20/2024); Laura Dearing, The Arizona Academy Of Family Physicians(01/28/2024); Evan Eller, Self(02/22/2024); RAJESH GUPTA, Self(02/15/2024); Jenni Harris, Self(01/27/2024); haley hochstein, Self(01/29/2024); Jason Jameson, Self(01/24/2024); Frederick Kogan, Ph.D.,M.D., Self(03/05/2024); Jane Lyons MD, Self(02/21/2024); Cole Madden, Self(02/22/2024); Heth Mari, Self(02/05/2024); Marc Osborn, AMERICA'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS (AHIP)(01/28/2024); Mary Beth Putz, Self(02/20/2024); Tonya Reiner, Self(01/29/2024); Dr. Corinna Saldanha,

Another Way to Advocate: RTS system



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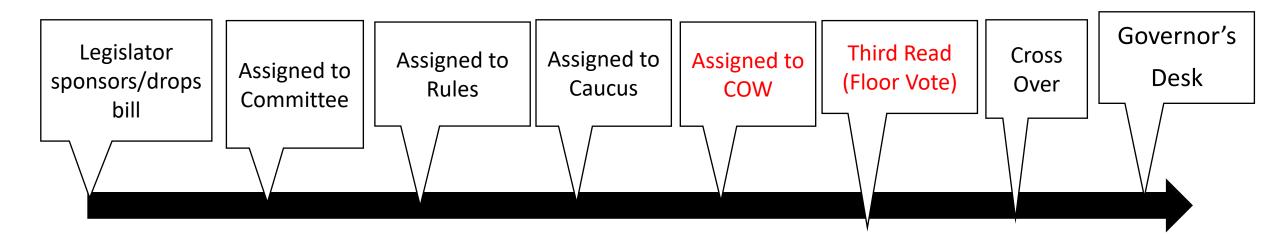
A GREAT WAY TO SEE HOW MUCH SUPPORT A BILL IS GETTING AND WHO IS SUPPORT IT AND GIVE YOUR VIEWS



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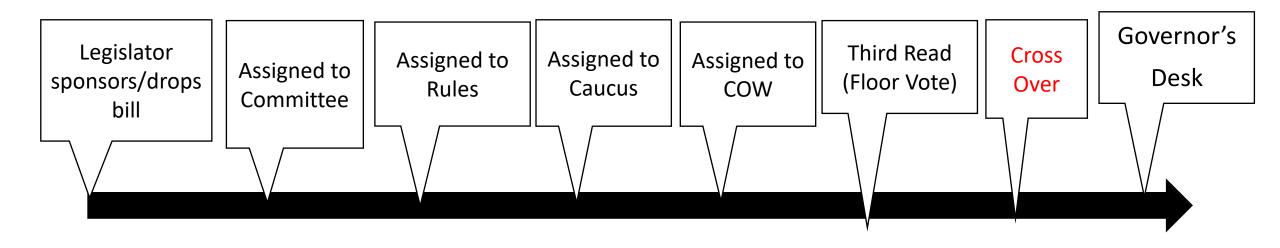
• It then passes to **Rules Committee** to ensure the bill is constitutionally sound

• It will then pass to **Caucus**: where each political party will discuss the bill and their strategy to either support or kill the bill. (No voting)



The Process continues.....

- It will then proceed to the Committee as a Whole (COW)
 - Opportunity for non-committee members to hear the bill and make recommendations for amendments or to voice their approval or disapproval
 - Many bills can die here as well if there is overwhelm disapproval.
 - There is an oral vote (roll count vote for defeated bills)
- After COW, the bill will proceed for a **Floor vote (Third Read)** in the branch where the bill originated (House bills in the House, Senate bills in the Senate) for a roll count vote



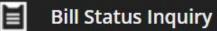
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- If it passes the Floor vote, it will then transmit to the opposite chamber (**the crossover**):
 - House bills transmit to the Senate
 - Senate bills transmit to the House
- It will then proceed through the same process: Committee vote, Rules, Caucus, COW, floor vote.
- If any amendment are made in the opposite chamber the bill will transmit to the original chamber for a final vote.





🔞 Request to Speak

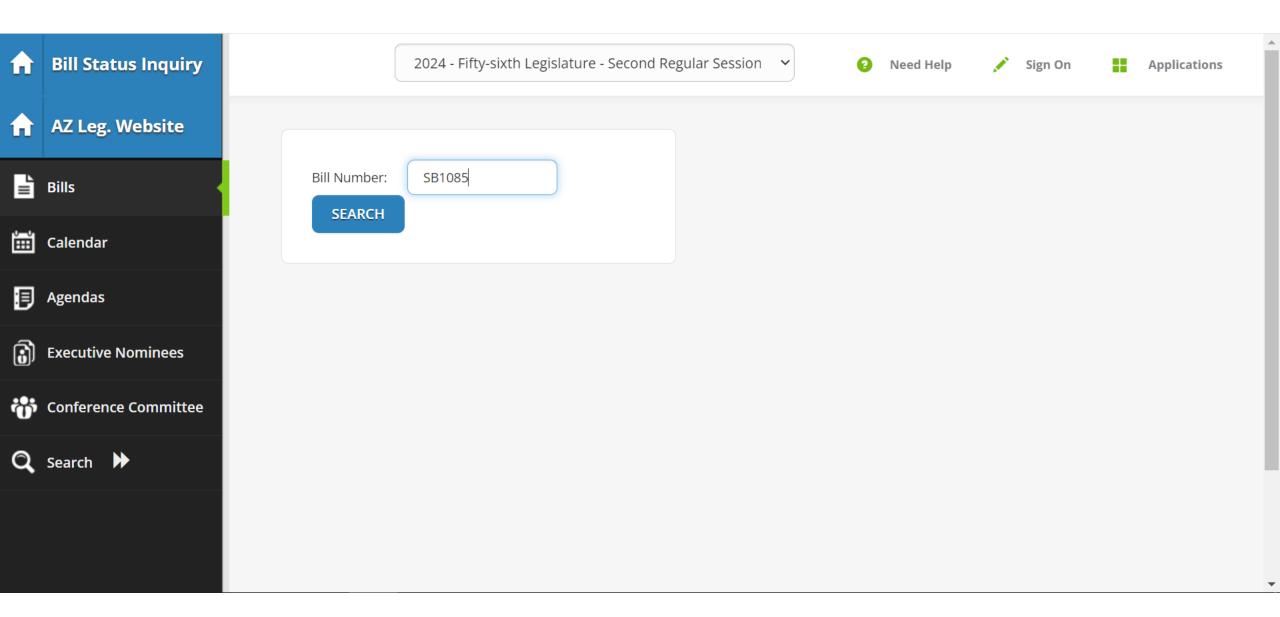


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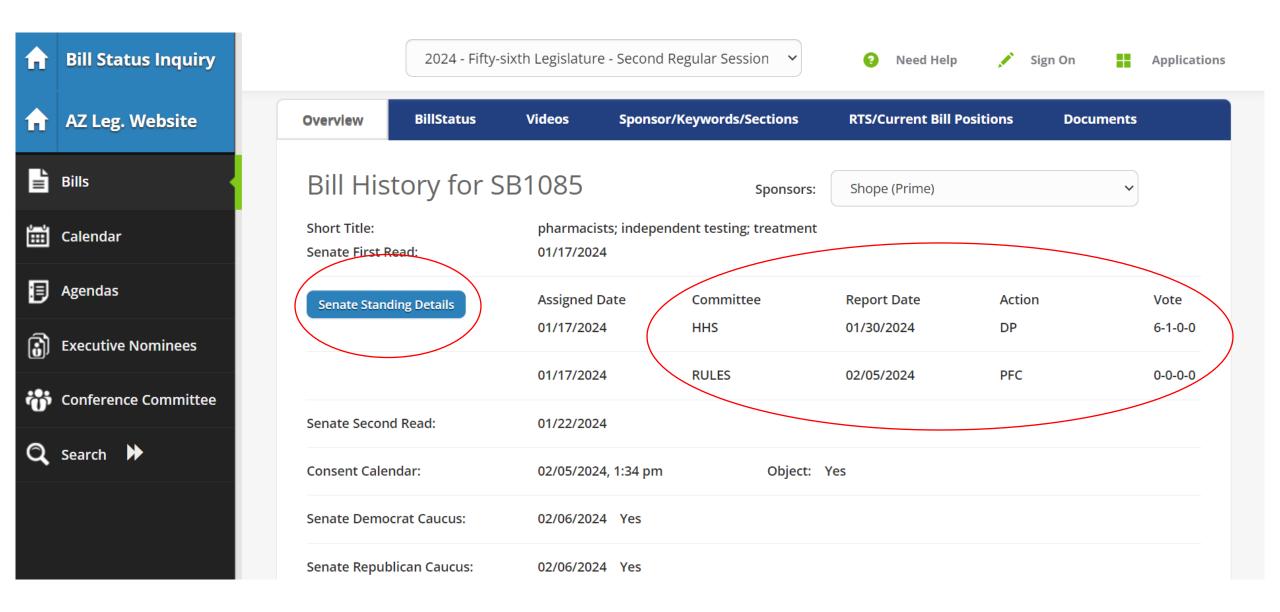
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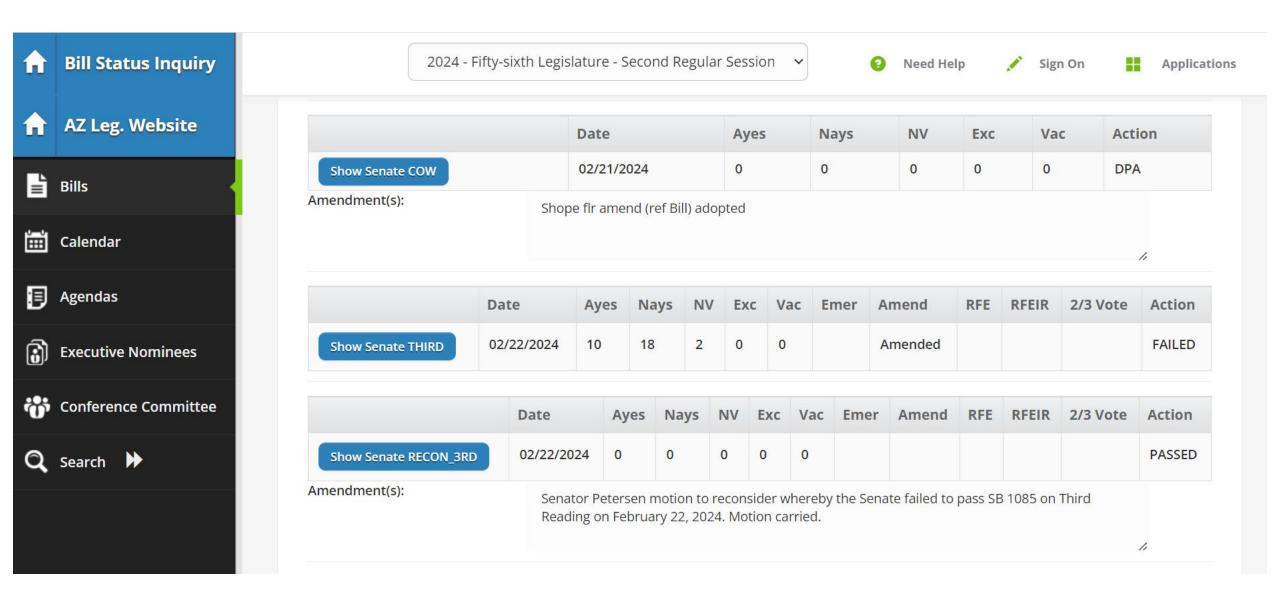


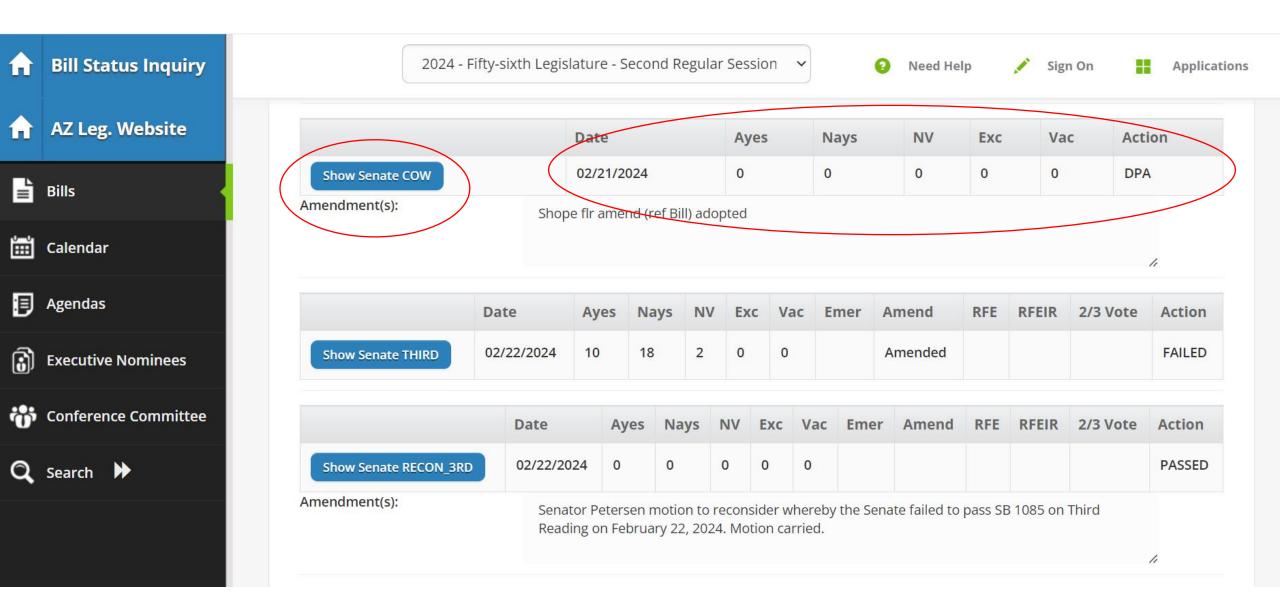
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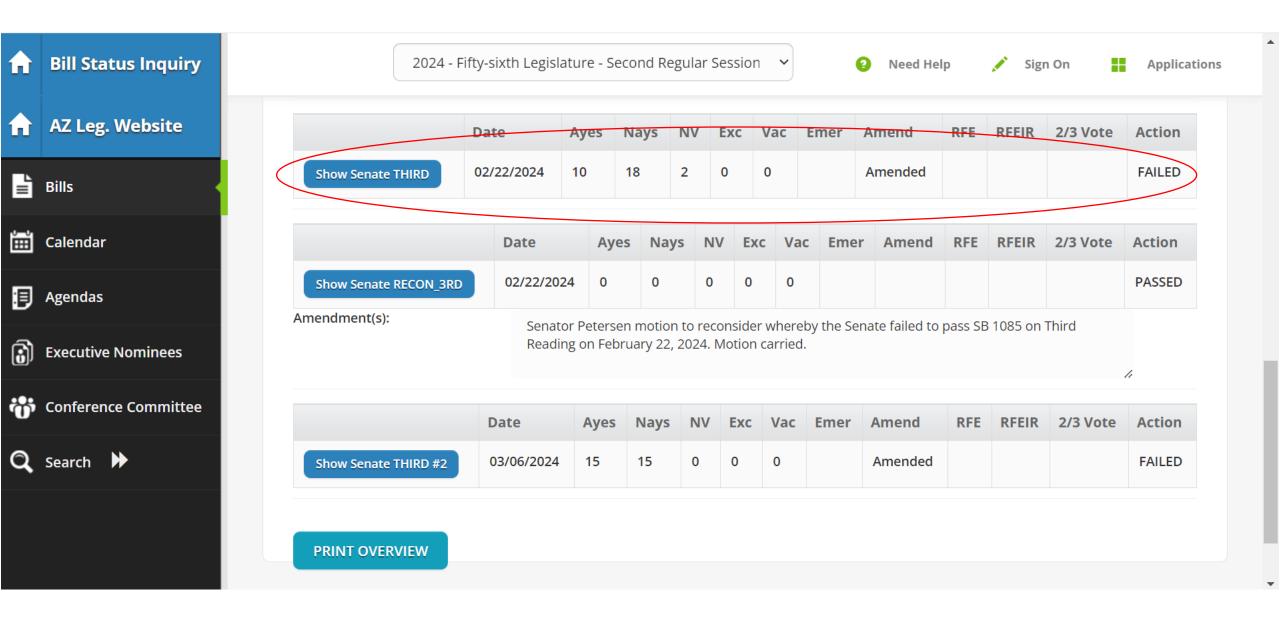


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Senate Third Reading - SB1085 pharmacists; independent testing; treatment

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A vote recorded

- Normally a bill only requires a majority vote
- Arizona is divided into 30 legislative districts, each district has 2 Representatives and 1 Senator
 - 60 seats in the House / 30 seats in the Senate
- This is why each seat is highly sought after in election years (if bills are voted along party lines)
- Nuanced party lines (Far Right/Far Left, Moderates, Independents)

Current Party Breakdown

House of Representatives

Party	2023-2024
Republican	31
Democrat	29
Other	0
Vacancies	0
Total	60

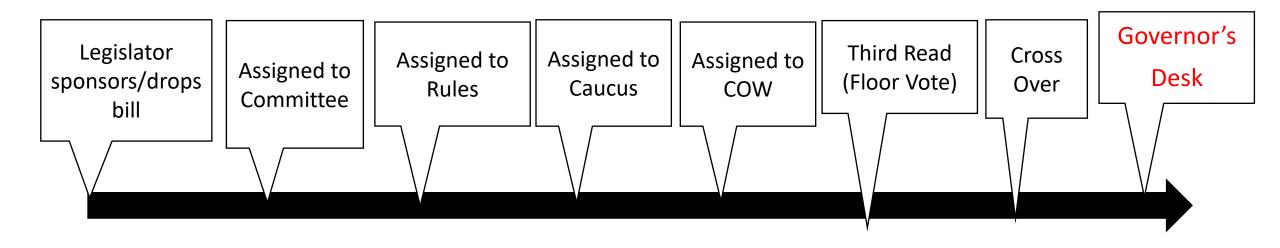
Party	2023-2024
Republican	16
Democrat	14
Other	0
Vacancies	0
Total	30

Senate

How many votes do you need to pass? Well it depends....

- Simple Majority: 16 Senators/31 Reps
- 2/3 Majority: 20 Senators/40 Reps
 - Bills that brings additional state revenue (increase taxes/fees)
 - Bills with emergency clause/effective immediately
- 3/4 Majority: 23 Senators/45 Reps
 - Bill that would amend a voter-initiative

Idea to Law Journey





How many bills reach the finish line?

Slim Pickin's

Year	Senate	House	Total	Trans to Gov	Vetoed	Signed into Law
2023	736	826	1562	348	143	205
2022	740	873	1613	392	4	388
2009	480	653	1133	213	22	188
1999	419	706	1125	375	21	344

So why advocate in the political realm?



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