



# Arizona Legislative Updates



**Several Opportunities to Take Action Against Harmful Bills!**

**ASK YOUR  
REPRESENTATIVES TO  
VOTE NO ON SB1312,  
SB1313, SB1314, AND  
SCR1018.**



Please let your legislators know you think it is a bad idea to interfere with efforts to reduce traffic and promote transit and biking as they are proposing in several bills that await action in the House.

**Take Action Here: [bit.ly/3HBvUib](https://bit.ly/3HBvUib)**

April 28, 2023

Hi all!

The Arizona Legislature came in for a couple of days or in the case of the Senate, one day, and then adjourned again for a week. They will be back on May 3rd. While they tell us they adjourned to work on the budget, we know it was because the Republicans in the House are still waiting for the appointment of their 31st member, so they have a majority and can pass bills without having any Democrats on board.

There has been much ado about one of the members, Representative Stahl-Hamilton, caught on tape hiding the bibles in the House members' lounge. She is a pastor and a strong supporter of the separation of church and state. You might wonder why there are bibles in the members' lounge. You might also wonder why they have a hidden camera filming people. Both are great questions. Rep. Stahl-Hamilton apologized for her method of starting a conversation on separation of church and state, but not about the need for it. She has gotten a lot of ugly emails and such, so I hope you will take time to send her a supportive comment at [sstahlhamilton@azleg.gov](mailto:sstahlhamilton@azleg.gov). You can post a supportive Tweet and tag her at [@stahlhamilton](https://twitter.com/stahlhamilton).

Monday was Dirty Air Day at the Legislature, as they held the Joint Legislative Ad Hoc Study Committee on Air Quality and Energy. They took no public comments and spent a great deal of time allowing Senator Hoffman to bully the speakers from the Maricopa Association of Governments. It's clear that the majority would like to do nothing about poor air quality. To view the committee meeting, go [here](#).

**Don't forget to ask your representatives to oppose SB1278, a bill to limit cities' and towns' ability to protect their residents via local building code provisions related to affordability, energy, and public health.**

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Take Action!

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**Please speak up against bills that would hinder efforts by local government and the state to reduce traffic and promote transit and biking.** Use the button below to take action to oppose SB1312, SB1313, SB1314, and SCR1018.

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There are several bills to prohibit consideration of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors when deciding on state investments still moving in the Arizona House too.

**Please ask your representatives to oppose SB1139 and SB1500!**

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Most people in Arizona use early voting by mail as a safe and secure method of voting. This session has seen a plethora of bills to hinder or severely curtail early voting.

**Ask your representatives to oppose SB1141 (early ballot drop off; identification).**

It requires additional voter ID to drop off an early ballot. This is unnecessary as they already

have the signature for verification. In the last election, people waited in lines for more than two hours to vote. This bill will make them longer.

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To review bills we are tracking, [go to this link](#).

**For more information, reach out to Sandy Bahr at [sandy.bahr@sierraclub.org](mailto:sandy.bahr@sierraclub.org).**

Many thanks for taking action!

All the best,



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## Coming Up This Week!



Historic Capitol courtesy of Sandy Bahr

### Wednesday, May 3rd

Joint Legislative Budget Committee at 1:00 PM in HHR1

### And Don't forget to Support a New National Monument and Protect Grand Canyon!

Join the Grand Canyon Tribal Council in asking President Biden to establish Baaj Nwaavjo l'tah Kukveni Grand Canyon National Monument to protect just over one million acres of lands adjacent to Grand Canyon National Park.

Baaj Nwaavjo means "where tribes roam" for the Havasupai Tribe, and l'tah Kukveni means "our footprints" for the Hopi Tribe.

[Support this new monument here!](#)

