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JLBC Presents Budget Updates to House Caucus

On Tuesday, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) briefed the House Caucuses on the major differences between the executive and JLBC baseline budgets over a four year period (FY18-FY20).

Director Richard Stavneak presented to the House Majority Caucus and Stefan Sheperd presented to the House Minority Caucus. The presentations covered the on-going and on-time revenue and spending items propose in the executive's budget. Members were given a line-by-line overview of the various revenue and spending items to prepare for the crafting of the legislative budget. JLBC noted that the December and January sales and income tax revenues have exceeded forecast.

There was discussion regarding the on-going versus one-time nature of these increased revenues, and members expressed a desire to use these extra monies to pay down debt and other existing state commitments.

To view the JLBC presentation, please [click here](#).

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Comparing the Executive Budget and JLBC Baseline - Exec: Higher Revenue, Lower Caseloads, Higher Discretionary Spending

\$ in M	
\$(108)	JLBC Baseline '19 Ending Balance
90	Higher Exec Ongoing Revenues
61	Lower Exec Caseload vs. Baseline
Policy Issues	
55	Higher Enforcement Revenue
129	One-Time Fund Transfers ('18 & '19)
72	Fund Shifts (\$58 M)/Reductions (\$14 M)
50	SFB Bonding for FY 19 Awards
(271)	Spending Increases
(10)	Other Adjustments
\$67	Executive '19 Ending Balance

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Governor Ducey Forms Arizona Cybersecurity Team

This week Governor Doug Ducey issued an executive order to create the Arizona Cybersecurity Team (ACT), a team of experts from state, local, and federal government, the private sector, and higher education to work together to protect Arizonans from a cyber-attack.



Government, businesses, and citizens are faced with a challenging and complex task of securing critical information online. To accomplish this, the cyber security team will enhance collaboration among government, private sector, law enforcement, non-profit organizations, higher education, and the greater Arizona community to address cybersecurity statewide and advise and provide recommendations to the governor.

"The creation of the Arizona Cybersecurity Team is another step we can take to enhance our cyber preparedness," said Governor Ducey. "In today's world, the threat of cyber-attacks is persistent and constantly evolving, which is why we are taking proactive steps to mitigate that threat and making sure agencies continually improve their cyber defenses."

For a more information on ACT and to read about what Arizona has already done on cybersecurity, please [click here](#) and to view a PDF of the executive order, please [click here](#).

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Legislative Session Snapshot

The 53rd Legislature, Second Regular Session marks its 54th day of the legislative session today. A total of 1,165 bills and 115 memorials/resolutions have been introduced.

Some upcoming legislative deadlines are as follows:

- Friday, March 23 is the last day for House consideration of Senate bills and Senate consideration of House bills.
- Friday, April 13 is the final day for conference committees.

To view all of the deadlines, please click on the following links:

- [Senate deadlines](#)
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CSA Legislative Update

The status of CSA's legislative agenda package is as follows:

- 1) [HB 2190 county improvement districts; repayment agreements](#) (*Mitchell*) - Passed the House 57-0, transmitted to the Senate. On Senate Natural Resources Energy & Water Committee agenda, Monday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in Senate Hearing Room 109.
- 2) [HB 2274 county contributions; hospitalization; medical; repeal](#) (*Thorpe*) - Passed the House 58-0, transmitted to the Senate. Referred to Senate Health & Human Services and Appropriations Committees.
- 3) [HB 2413 public road maintenance; primitive designation](#) (*Cook*) - Passed the House 58-0, transmitted to the Senate. Passed Senate Government Committee 7-0, awaiting Rules.
- 4) [HB 2415 juvenile dependency proceedings fund](#) (*Cobb*) - Passed the House 51-7, transmitted to the Senate. Referred to Senate Appropriations and Judiciary Committees.
- 5) [HB 2439 county contributions; committee youth; repeal](#) (*Thorpe*) - Passed the House 55-3, transmitted to the Senate. Referred to Senate Appropriations and Judiciary Committees.
- 6) [SB 1038 state land payments; payment method](#) (*Griffin*) - Passed the Senate 30-0, transmitted to the House. Passed House Land, Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee 8-0.
- 7) [SB 1113 zoning violations; notice; service](#) (*Fann*) - Passed the Senate 23-5, transmitted to the House. Passed House Local & International Affairs Committee 5-0.
- 8) [SB 1410 transient lodging tax; rural counties](#) (*Borrelli*) - Referred to Senate Finance.

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NACo Webinar: Stepping Up-Reducing the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jails

On March 15, 2018, from 3:00 pm – 4:15 pm EST, the National Association of Counties (NACo) is hosting a webinar titled, [Stepping Up: Communicating About Your Efforts to Reduce the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jails](#).

More than 420 counties have joined the national Stepping Up initiative to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in their jails. Although counties have made progress toward addressing this issue, many still struggle with how to effectively communicate about their work with the public and the media. During this webinar, county leaders will learn from national experts and their peers about strategies for engaging the public and media around Stepping Up efforts, including key messaging points and how to engage individuals with mental illnesses and their families to gain support for these efforts. Participants will also hear an update about the national Stepping Up Day of Action and how to get involved in hosting their own local events.



To register for the webinar, please [click here](#).

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Next Week: Committee Agendas

- The full schedule for the Joint Appropriations Committee Budget Hearing and House Appropriation Subcommittee meetings can be found [here](#).
- The [House Banking and Insurance Committee](#) will meet on Monday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 5.
- The [House Military, Veterans and Regulatory Affairs Committee](#) will meet on Monday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 3.
- The [House Education Committee](#) will meet on Monday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 1.

- The [Senate Commerce and Public Safety Committee](#) will meet on Monday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in Senate Hearing Room 1.
- The [Senate Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee](#) will meet on Monday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in Senate Hearing Room 109.
- The [House Commerce Committee](#) will meet on Tuesday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 1.
- The [House Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee](#) will meet on Tuesday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 3.
- The [House on Federalism, Property Rights and Public Policy](#) will meet on Tuesday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 4.
- The [Senate Appropriations Committee](#) will meet on Tuesday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. in Senate Hearing Room 109.
- The [Senate Transportation and Technology Committee](#) will meet on Tuesday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m. in Senate Hearing Room 1.
- The [House Local and International Affairs Committee](#) will meet on Wednesday, March 7, at 9:00 a.m. in House Hearing Room 5.
- The [Senate Finance Committee](#) will meet on Wednesday, March 7, at 9:00 a.m. in Senate Hearing Room 1.
- The [House Appropriations Committee](#) will meet on Wednesday, March 7, at 2:00 p.m. in House Hearing Room 1.
- The [Senate Government Committee](#) will meet on Wednesday, March 7, at 2:00 p.m. in Senate Hearing Room 109.

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