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## Election 2016: 4 Days to Go

Next Tuesday, November 8, 2016 is Election Day. Arizonans will be voting for a variety of officials, including the President of the United States, U.S. congressional candidates, state-wide officers, and local and judicial officials to name a few. In addition, Arizonans will be voting on two ballot initiatives.

To view additional information on these topics, please visit the [Elections](#) page on our [CSA Website](#).

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## Committee Meets on Property Tax Oversight Commission & Pinal County Transportation Excise Tax

The Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committee of Reference met on November 3, to discuss the Property Tax Oversight Commission and Pinal County's Excise Tax. Discussion focused on the towns of Mammoth and Superior, located in Pinal County. According to Adam Tillard (*pictured*) of the Auditor General's Office, the towns have misspent money but have not committed fraud.

Senator Debbie Lesko said that the State government needed to reach out to Mammoth and Superior, and Senator Farley added that it was important to remember that the majority of Arizona cities and towns have acted responsibly regarding their spending.



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## Department of Child Safety Audit Committee Meets Again

On Tuesday, the Committee of Reference met to hear testimony on the State Auditor General audits of a number of the Department of Child Safety's (DCS) programs dealing with the Early Childhood Development and Health Board, DCS's proposed differential response system, and DCS's efforts to find permanent homes for children. DCS Director Greg McKay, along with other DCS staff, testified regarding the Department's current status and the improvements that still need to be made.



Committee members questioned McKay about tracking the length of time it takes for DCS caseworker reports to get to the courts. McKay said that it was hard for DCS to track this because individual courts have varying deadlines for reports and certain judges set their own deadline and content requirements. He also said that DCS was working on initiatives, such as an information exchange system with the courts, that he expected to mitigate the timeliness tracking problem.

Committee members praised DCS's work and acknowledged DCS's need for the resources to make prudent assessments of children and families' needs.

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## Interim Committee Hearings

- The [Peace Officer Employment Study Committee](#) will meet on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in House Hearing Room 5.
- The [Surface Transportation Funding Task Force](#) will meet on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Senate Hearing Room.

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## This Week in Arizona History...

On November 5, 1915, pilot Katherine Stinson dropped Arizona's first official air mail letters near the Tucson Post Office. Stinson was only the fourth woman in the United States to obtain a pilot's certificate, which she earned in 1912, at the age of 21.



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