

## 2012 CSA's Adopted Legislative Issues & Proposals

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### 2011 CSA Policy Priorities

**Budget.** Protect county fiscal sustainability by opposing state cost/programmatic shifts and diversion of revenues. Among the top priorities are:

- Repeal the Adult Prisoner Shift;
- Eliminate or freeze the mandated county contributions;
- Eliminate or freeze shifts from HURF to DPS and MVD;
- Where impacts exist, pursue relief and flexibility.

**Local Authorities.** Protect and advance county administrative and fiscal authorities necessary to appropriately manage operations to meet local needs. Oppose efforts to restrict or diminish board authority and local control.

### CSA Adopted Legislative Proposals:

#### **Courts**

1. *Municipal Incarceration Costs*

Include incarceration costs for law enforcement agency arrests on municipal warrants in the costs borne by the municipality.

Submitting County: Mohave County

#### **Law Enforcement/Public Safety**

2. *Sex Offenders*

Work with other county stakeholders to identify potential monitoring fees for sex offenders who are required to register with a sheriff's office, while not de-incentivizing the offender's willingness to register.

Submitting County: Cochise County

3. *Public Defenders/ Park Rangers*

Add Public Defenders and Park Rangers to the inclusive group whose assault would be classified as a felony.

Submitting County: Mohave County

#### **Flood Control Districts**

4. *Floodplain Responsibility*

Clarify municipal responsibility for long-term impacts, such as maintenance costs, when the municipality acting as a floodplain administrator, makes these decisions and gives up floodplain administration duties.

Submitting County: Pinal County

5. *Indemnity for FCDs*

Provide indemnification to the county, flood control district and county employees when engaged in flood control activities through a county-controlled flood control district.

Submitting County: Coconino County

6. *Raise Construction Caps for FCDs*

Increase flood control district construction caps from \$5,000 to \$190,000 for construction projects that are eligible for construction by public employees in counties with a population of 175,000 or less.

Submitting County: Cochise County

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### **Transportation & Road Building**

7. *Road Enhancement Improvement Districts*

Establish a mechanism where a BOS may be replaced by an independently elected board of directors for a Road Enhancement Improvement Districts.

Submitting County: Yavapai County

8. *County Highway Designation*

Expand the process by which a county may take over a private road to include the recommendation of the county engineer.

Submitting County: Cochise County

### **Regulatory Affairs**

9. *Buy Local*

Amend county competitive bidding statute to permit counties to offer some preference to local vendors.

Submitting County: Yuma County

10. *Fireworks*

Give counties the ability to prohibit the use and sale of fireworks in unincorporated areas of a county.

Submitting County: Coconino County

### **Appraisals and Valuations**

11. *Appraisal Requirements for Small Parcels*

Require "Market Analysis" instead of the current "Appraisal" to determine fair sales and lease prices, without removing the competition requirements.

Submitting County: Pinal County

### **CSA Supports Other Associations' Efforts**

12. *Grand Jury*

Support the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council efforts to increase the number of days counties are permitted to empanel grand juries to 180 days.

Submitting County: Navajo County

13. *Appointment Filings with the Recorders Office*

Support AACo's efforts to remove the requirement that the appointment of county deputies in various departments be filed with the county recorders.

Submitting County: Mohave County

14. *"Same Political Party"*

Support AACo's efforts to proactively clarify that the "same political party" means the party when the elected official took office, and not when they vacated office.

Submitting County: Mohave County

15. *Valuation Review Classes*

Support AACo's efforts to permit counties to replace the mandated state-wide property valuation review classes by the State Board of Equalization with county-specific review classes in each county.

Submitting County: Coconino County