



Nutrition Legislation in the Arizona State Legislature

Senator Amanda Aguirre, District 24

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Legislative Budget Update

Budget deficit '08 \$1.2 billion

Budget deficit '09 \$1.7 billion



Current as of February 26, 2008

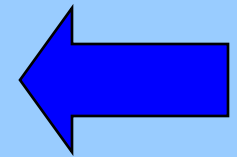
Total Bills Introduced

- House: 862
- Senate: 507

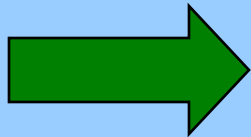


How to Track a Bill

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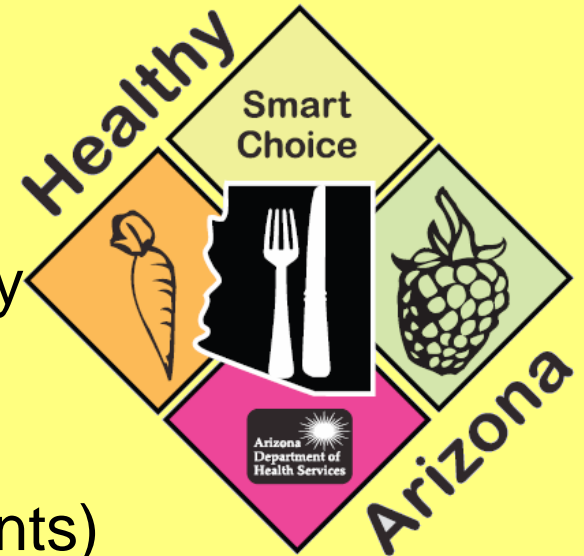
- 2005 Vending Machine Legislation
 - HB 2544: schools, nutrition standards - Signed (Rep. Anderson)
 - HB 2549: vending machine policies (Rep. A. Aguirre)
 - HB 2597: schools, vending machine policies (Rep. A. Aguirre)

- 2006
 - HB 2668 appropriation of \$1 million for diabetes prevention (Sen. Aguirre) – Included in final budget



“Arizona Smart Choice”

- Statewide effort to help prevent obesity launching March 2008
- Initiative derived from SB 1436 (nutritional information; chain restaurants) introduced in 2007 by Sen. Aguirre
- Program will be directed by the Arizona Department of Health Services
- Participating restaurants will display logos on menus signifying menu items that meet ADHS requirements



Health-related Legislation

- SB 1149: appropriation; homeless services
 - Introduced in 2007 by Sen. Miranda
 - Would have provided \$1 million from lottery monies.
 - Not heard in committee.
- SB 1263: autism spectrum disorder; Steven's Law
 - Introduced in 2008 by Sen. Aguirre
 - Disallows insurers from not covering children based on a diagnosis of an autism spectrum disorder.
 - Passed in the Senate Health Committee February 14, 2008.



Trimming Governments' Waist

- Health and weight management initiative begun by Sen. Verschoor during the 2008 Legislative Session
- Encourage members and staff to eat healthy while engaging in friendly competition between Senate and House staff



Diabetes Caucus

- Legislative Caucus formed in 2007 to address diabetes-related issues
- Members include:
 - 9 Senators
 - 14 House Representatives
- Formed in conjunction with the American Diabetes Association





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