ARIZONA STATE SENATE

55th LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

DATE: January 13, 2021 **TIME:** 2:00 P.M. **ROOM:** SHR 1

CHAIRMAN: Senator J.D. Mesnard **VICE-CHAIRMAN:** Senator Michelle Ugenti-Rita

ANALYST: Laura Benitez

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members	Pr	Ab	Ex
Senator Borrelli*	X		
Senator Bowie*	X		
Senator Gabaldón*	X		
Senator Livingston	X		
Senator Navarrete	X		
Senator Pace	X		
Senator Peshlakai*	X		
Senator Ugenti-Rita, Vice-Chairman	X		
Senator Mesnard, Chairman	X		

BILLS

Bill Number	Disposition
SB 1062	DP
SB 1064	DP

PRESENTATION

Overview of Arizona Liquor Licenses
John Cocca, Director, Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control

This meeting will be held via teleconference software. Members of the public may access a livestream of the meeting here: https://www.azleg.gov/videoplayer/?eventID=2021011032

*Participated remotely via a teleconference platform.

Chairman Mesnard called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and attendance was noted.

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

Senator Mesnard welcomed the Committee members and requested members to introduce themselves.

Senator Mesnard requested staff to introduce themselves.

- Laura Benitez, Commerce Committee Analyst
- Maelinn Chow, Commerce Committee Intern
- Grant Hanna, Senior Policy Advisor, Majority Staff
- Imee Andrew, Committee Secretary
- Talonya Adams, Senior Policy Advisor, Democratic Staff
- Fiza Qazi, Democratic Staff Intern
- Claire Nichols, Senior Page
- Asia Eaddy, Page
- Campanella White, Page

ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RULES

Senator Ugenti-Rita moved that the Committee Rules as distributed to the members on January 8, 2021 be adopted (Attachment A). The motion CARRIED by voice vote.

Senator Mesnard announced for the public to testify they must notify 24 hours in advance and would participate via a teleconference platform.

Senator Mesnard made opening remarks explaining the adopted Senate Temporary Emergency Rule 32: Procedures During the COVID-19 Outbreak for members participation, in person or via a teleconference platform.

PRESENTATION

Overview of Arizona Liquor Licenses

John Cocca, Director, Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control, introduced Detective Risa Williams, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Overview of Arizona Liquor Licenses" (Attachment B) and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Detective Risa Williams, Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control, answered questions posed by the Committee.

Mr. Cocca answered additional questions posed by the Committee.

The Committee discussed and offered comments for the presentation mentioned above.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

SB 1062 – engineering definitions – DO PASS

Laura Benitez, Commerce Committee Analyst, explained SB 1062 and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Senator Mesnard, bill sponsor, provided comments regarding SB 1062 and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Alejandro Angel, Vice-President and Arizona Regional Manager, Psomas, member of the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC), also member of the Arizona Board of Technical Registration, representing himself, participated remotely via a teleconference platform, provided comments, testified in opposition to SB 1062 and stated his concerns with the bill.

Senator Mesnard provided additional comments regarding SB 1062.

Paul Turner, Turner Engineering, Inc., representing himself, participated remotely via a teleconference platform, provided comments, testified in opposition to SB 1062 and stated his concerns with the bill.

Senator Mesnard provided additional comments regarding SB 1062.

Ms. Benitez answered additional questions posed by the Committee.

Patrick Adler, Project Advancement, representing himself, participated remotely via a teleconference platform, provided comments, testified in opposition to SB 1062 and stated his concerns with the bill.

The Committee discussed and offered comments on SB 1062.

Attached is a list noting the individuals who registered their position on SB 1062 (Attachment C).

Attached are forms noting the individuals who submitted a Speaker Slip on SB 1062 (Attachment D).

Senator Ugenti-Rita moved that SB 1062 receive a DO PASS recommendation. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 7-2-0 (Attachment 1 and 1a).

Senators Bowie, Gabaldón, Navarrete and Peshlakai explained their vote.

SB 1064 – contractor license numbers; advertising; exception – DO PASS

Laura Benitez, Commerce Committee Analyst, explained SB 1064.

Senator Mesnard, bill sponsor, provided comments regarding SB 1064.

Meghaen Dell'Artino, Cox Communications, participated remotely via a teleconference platform, further explained SB 1064 and testified in support of SB 1064.

Attached is a list noting the individuals who registered their position on SB 1064 (Attachment C).

Senator Ugenti-Rita moved that SB 1064 receive a DO PASS recommendation. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 8-0-1 (Attachment 2 and 2a).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Imee L. Andrew
Committee Secretary

(Audio recordings and attachments are on file in the Secretary of the Senate's Office/Resource Center, Room 115. Audio archives are available at http://www.azleg.gov)