

The Greater Phoenix Chamber is THE voice of business at every level of government. Our robust Public Affairs program gathers business leaders and policy experts to evaluate proposed legislation, vet candidates, and review ballot measures for the potential impacts on the Greater Phoenix region's economic climate and businesses.

In preparation for the 2018 General Election, the Chamber's experienced public affairs team developed a Voter Guide to provide you and your business with the information you need ahead of the upcoming election on **November 6, 2018**.

2018 PROPOSITIONS

Ballot propositions play a pivotal role in establishing voter-supported policies at all levels of government. However, not all ballot measures are created equally—when enacted, some support businesses and others could be detrimental to the region's economic prosperity.

To help you understand the issues that you might see on this year's ballot, the Chamber has prepared a comprehensive guide on the propositions that could impact your business.



PROPOSITION 125 - PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEM Chamber position: Support

The Chamber supports this referral to further reforms that strengthen Arizona's public retirement systems. **The Chamber has long held that public retirement systems need reforms to remain sustainable and keep costs down for taxpayers.**

In 2016, Arizona voters passed Proposition 124 regarding a cost-of-living adjustment for members of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS). In addition to employees (Tier 1 and 2) who were affected by that legislation, it added a third tier of benefits for employees hired on or after July 1, 2017 (Tier 3).

Proposition 125 allows for the changes made in SB 1442 and HB 2545 of the 54rd Legislature, First Regular Session that adjustment certain benefits in the Correction Officer Retirement Plan (COPR) and the Elected Officials Retirement Plan (EORP) systems to reflect similar standards set for PSPRS.



PROPOSITION 127 - CLEAN ENERGY FOR A HEALTHY ARIZONA AMENDMENT Chamber position: Oppose

The Chamber stands with Arizona's business leaders and hardworking families in firm opposition to the "Clean Energy" ballot proposal.

This initiative, filed by an out-of-state group funded primarily by California billionaire Tom Steyer, would amend Arizona's State Constitution to require that public utility companies obtain half of their energy from renewable sources in less than twelve years' time. If approved, these mandates will cost Arizona thousands of jobs, double energy costs for the average family and weaken Arizona's economic competitiveness.

The Greater Phoenix region has one of the largest sources of clean energy in the country. **Putting that needed and reliable energy supply at risk is not in the best interest of the state.** Further, the Arizona Constitution is not the place to mandate regulatory energy policies that cannot be modified without going back to the voters for the simplest of changes. If Arizona approves these costly regulations, everyday citizens will be stuck paying the price for generations to come.



PROPOSITION 306 - CLEAN ELECTIONS; UNLAWFUL CONTRIBUTIONS; RULEMAKING Chamber position: Support

The Chamber supports Proposition 306. **This measure would stop the practice of publically financed candidates transferring taxpayer dollars to political parties or other tax-exempt organizations.**

Proposition 306 would prohibit candidates who finance their political campaigns with public funding from the Citizens Clean Elections Commission (CCEC) from transferring any part of those public funds to a political party or private tax-exempt organization that attempts to influence elections and subjects the commission's rulemaking to regulatory oversight, which did not previously apply to the CCEC.



PROPOSITION 419 - ELECTION FUNDING DISCLOSURE CHARTER AMENDMENT Chamber position: Oppose

The Chamber opposes this charter amendment to the City of Phoenix charter as it has the potential to open the Chamber's and other nonprofit's finances to groups that disagree with positions these organizations take in regards to candidates or ballot measures. **Additionally, this effort will effectively suppress the business community's speech in elections.**

The proposed ballot measure referred to the voters by the Phoenix City Council would require original source disclosures by any entity making expenditures to influence a City of Phoenix election.

Every two years, Arizonans vote for a new state legislative body. Each State Senator and State Representative runs for his or her seat, and works to earn the votes of their constituency. The Chamber's Political Action Committee (PAC) was established in 1978 to help pro-business candidates get elected to state, county, and local offices, and ultimately improve the overall business climate in Greater Phoenix.

The PAC vets candidates and endorses them based on their alignment with the Chamber's annual Public Policy Guide and voting record.

2018 CHAMBER ENDORSED CANDIDATES

STATEWIDE

Governor

Doug Ducey (R)

Secretary of State

Steve Gaynor (R)

Treasurer

Kimberly Yee (R)

Attorney General

Mark Brnovich (R)

LOCAL

Mayor, City of Phoenix

Daniel Valenzuela

LEGISLATIVE

District 1

Karen Fann (R), Senate
Noel Campbell (R), House

District 2

Chris Ackerley (R), House
Daniel Hernandez (D), House

District 3

Alma Hernandez (D), House

District 5

Sonny Borrelli (R), Senate
Regina Cobb (R), House
Leo Biasiucci (R), House

District 6

Sylvia Allen (R), Senate
Bob Thorpe (R), House
Walt Blackman (R), House

District 8

Frank Pratt (R), Senate
T.J. Shope (R), House
David Cook (R), House

District 9

Ana Henderson (R), House

District 10

David Bradley (D), Senate
Todd Clodfelter (R), House

District 11

Vince Leach (R), Senate

District 12

Travis Grantham (R), House

District 13

Sine Kerr (R), Senate
Tim Dunn (R), House
Joanne Osborne (R), House

District 14

Gail Griffin (R), House
Becky Nutt (R), House

District 15

Heather Carter (R), Senate
John Allen (R), House

District 17

J.D. Mesnard (R), Senate
Nora Ellen (R), House
Jeff Weninger (R), House

District 18

Sean Bowie (D), Senate
Jill Norgaard (R), House
Greg Patterson (R), House

District 19

Lupe Contreras (D), Senate
Diego Espinoza (D), House
Lorenzo Sierra (D), House

District 20

Paul Boyer (R), Senate
Shawna Bolick (R), House
Anthony Kern (R), House

District 21

Rick Gray (R), Senate
Kevin Payne (R), House
Tony Rivero (R), House

District 22

David Livingston (R), Senate
Ben Toma (R), House
Frank Carroll (R), House

District 23

Michelle Ugenti-Rita (R), Senate
John Kavanagh (R), House
Jay Lawrence (R), House

District 25

Rusty Bowers (R), House
Michelle Udall (R), House

District 27

Reginald Bolding (D), House

District 28

Kate Brophy McGee (R), Senate
Kathy Petsas (R), House
Maria Syms (R), House

District 29

Cesar Chavez (D), House

District 30

Robert Meza (D), House



In order to vote in the **November 6** election, individuals must submit their voter registration by October 9. Voters may return early ballots by mail, deliver to the Maricopa County Recorder's Office, or return to any early voting site or polling place on Election Day. To be counted, completed early ballots must be received by an election official no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day.