

# May 2022 State Policy Update

This month, AIPI tracked the following state of Arizona legislature affecting Tribes and Tribal members for the month of May. This list includes legislation that was newly introduced or had other activity between April 25, 2022, and May 20, 2022.

Bills Considered by the State of Arizona 55th Legislature, Second Session:

1. [SB1327](#) - **“An Act Requiring the Department of Education to Establish an Alternative Assessment Advisory Committee.” Sponsored by Sen. Nancy Barto (R-4).**
  - This act would require the department of education to establish an Alternative Assessment Advisory Committee consisting of the superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee and other members who are appointed by the department in coordination with the state board of education.
  - Required appointed members would include, among others, a Tribal community representative.
  - Transmitted to Governor on April 25, 2022.
  
2. [HB2647](#) - **“An Act Amending Section 8-455, Arizona Revised Statutes; Relating to the Department Of Child Safety.” Sponsored by Rep. Joanne Osborne (R-13).**
  - This act would amend section 1. Section 8-455, Arizona revised statutes to add that a DCS report pursuant to subsection D of this section regarding an Indian child who resides or is domiciled on an Indian reservation may be transferred to the reservation's Tribal social services agency.
  - House Conference Committee recommended on May 9, 2022.
  
3. [HB2532](#) - **“An Act Amending Sections 28-2351 and 28-2403, Arizona Revised Statutes; Amending Title 28, Chapter 7, Article 12, Arizona Revised Statutes, by adding Section 28-2470.10; Amending Sections 28-6501, 28-6991 and 28-6993, Arizona Revised Statutes; Relating to Special Plates.” Sponsored By Rep. Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren (D-7).**
  - This act would amend Sec. 3. Title 28, chapter 7, article 12, Arizona Revised Statutes by adding section 28-2470.10, to include that the department shall issue Tribally accredited institution of higher education special place if, by December 31, 2022, a person pays \$32,000 to the appropriate department.
  - Amendments also include new fee information.
  - Related bills: [SB1660](#), [SB1064](#)
  - Transmitted to Governor on May 16, 2022.