



## Arizona House of Representatives Phoenix, Arizona 85007

July 8, 2020

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Dear Members:

I have decided not to schedule a further hearing in the ethics investigation regarding Representative David Cook at this time. I detail my reasons for that decision below. In summary, although I am deeply troubled by the investigators' findings and Representative Cook's subsequent behavior, I do not believe that Representative Cook's conduct unequivocally constitutes the sort of "disorderly behavior" punishable under the House's Rules and article 4, part 2, section 11 of the Arizona Constitution.

### BACKGROUND

This investigation began after the House received two ethics complaints regarding Representative Cook. Janell Alewyn, a Legislative District 8 resident, initially submitted a complaint on January 29, 2020. (Correspondence 0001-02.)<sup>1</sup> Ms. Alewyn's complaint concerned an alleged extramarital affair between Representative Cook and AnnaMarie Knorr, then a lobbyist for the Western Growers Association (WGA). "The complaint was specifically based on at least 45 letters and cards Representative Cook sent Ms. Knorr over a 45-day time period while Ms. Knorr was staying at [a] rehabilitation facility." (Report at 2.) The complaint alleged "a potential conflict of interest with Representative Cook's duties as a legislator," and cited (among other things) "Representative Cook's sponsorship of four bills favoring the WGA" and his possible "retribution against Basilio Aja," Ms. Knorr's father and also a lobbyist. (*Id.* at 2-3.)

Kevin Cavanaugh submitted the second complaint on February 4. Mr. Cavanaugh alleged that Representative Cook "had successfully intervened in a planned seizure of property belonging to Ms. Knorr and her husband Rob Knorr by calling Pinal County Sheriff Mark Lamb" and "promis[ing] to arrange campaign contributions for Sheriff Lamb in return for stopping the planned seizure." (*Id.* at 3.) Mr. Cavanaugh stated his "personal belief that a criminal

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<sup>1</sup> Except as otherwise noted, this letter uses the same citation conventions as the June 11, 2020 Report of Ethics Investigation Regarding Representative David Cook ("Report"). The Report and related documents are available on the House's website, [www.azhouse.gov](http://www.azhouse.gov). Representative Cook's June 19, 2020 formal response to the Report (referred to in this letter as "Formal Response") is titled "Rep. Cook Response #3" on the House's website.

investigation is already under way regarding this specific incident ... by agencies with appropriate jurisdiction.” (Correspondence 0012.)

On February 4, House Ethics Committee Chairman T.J. Shope, who represents the same legislative district as Representative Cook, recused himself from all Committee business concerning Representative Cook. Speaker Rusty Bowers constituted a temporary Special Select Ethics Committee, asked me to serve as chairman, and appointed Representative Regina Cobb as a member. On February 5, Representative Diego Rodriguez recused himself from Committee business, and the Speaker announced that Representative Domingo DeGrazia would replace Representative Rodriguez on the Select Committee. From the outset, the Speaker committed that he would not be involved in the Ethics proceedings but would instead leave all decisions to my and the Committee’s judgment and discretion.

Consistent with the Ethics Committee’s usual practice, on February 5, I distributed to Representative Cook and the Committee members Ms. Alewyn’s and Mr. Cavanaugh’s complaints. My letter noted that, under Rule 14 of the Ethics Committee rules, “the Member who is the subject of the complaint shall have the opportunity to respond to the complaint in writing.”

On February 11, the House retained the law firm of Ballard Spahr LLP to investigate the complaints filed against Representative Cook, and to prepare a report summarizing the investigators’ findings. We retained outside counsel because the allegations against Representative Cook were serious and merited a thorough, professional, and independent investigation. We chose Ballard Spahr because that firm had conducted just such an investigation in 2019, concerning the ethics complaints against former Representative David Stringer.

From the beginning, I directed the Ballard Spahr team investigating the complaints against Representative Cook to gather all the information necessary for the Committee to determine whether the complaints had merit or warranted further action. And throughout the investigation, I reiterated my expectation that the investigation be thorough and fair, and that it follow the facts wherever they may lead. That is how the investigation proceeded.

Over the course of four months, the Committee’s outside investigators interviewed 14 witnesses—including Representative Cook, Ms. Knorr, Mr. Aja, and Sheriff Lamb—and reviewed several thousand pages of documents. The outside investigators were not on a “fishing trip,” as Representative Cook claimed in correspondence to our colleagues. (Correspondence 0101.)<sup>2</sup> On the contrary, the investigators worked diligently and scrupulously to help the Committee ascertain whether Ms. Alewyn’s and Mr. Cavanaugh’s allegations were true, false, or somewhere in between. The investigators also worked as efficiently as they could despite Representative Cook’s repeated failure to cooperate with them.

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<sup>2</sup> Notably, although Representative Cook did not see fit to respond to either complaint in writing under Rule 14 before he eventually responded to the investigators’ report, he did find time to “update” the entire House membership regarding the investigation on three occasions. (See Correspondence 0101–103, 0118–120; see also Rep. Cook’s May 18, 2020 e-mail.)

The investigation proceeded independent of House leadership. As I noted, Speaker Bowers committed from the beginning not to be involved in these ethics proceedings but rather to leave them to my and the Committee's discretion. Speaker Bowers made good on that promise. He did so despite other Members' calls for him to interfere with or even shut down the investigation. To the Speaker's credit, he resisted this pressure and allowed the investigation to continue unimpeded.

On June 11, 2020, the Ballard Spahr team transmitted its Report to the House Rules Office, which distributed it to me, the other Committee members, Representative Cook, Speaker Bowers, and a staff working-group that assisted me in these proceedings. The following day, June 12, the Committee convened for a regularly noticed meeting. Before and during the meeting, the Committee members and I received letters from Representative Cook's counsel, Carmen Chenal Horne and Dennis Wilenchik responding to the Report. (These letters are available on the House's website as "Rep. Cook Response #1" and "Rep. Cook Response #2.") The Committee nonetheless voted to allow Representative Cook one week to submit a more formal written response to the Report. Representative Cook timely submitted that Formal Response through counsel on June 19.

Late on June 25, 2020, the Committee's outside investigators sent to the House Rules Office an Addendum to the Report, which the Rules Attorney distributed to me, the Committee, Representative Cook, and Speaker Bowers the next morning. The Addendum concerns a threat that Representative Cook made to Patrick Bray—a witness who was interviewed during the investigation—within hours after Representative Cook received the Report.

## ANALYSIS

The Report and Addendum raise serious concerns about Representative Cook's conduct before, during, and immediately following the investigation. As explained below, however, neither the Report nor the Addendum conclusively demonstrates that Representative Cook has engaged in the kind of "disorderly behavior" that would warrant punishment or expulsion by the House under Rule 1 of the House Rules. Accordingly, I recommend that the Committee take no further action in this matter at this time.

### 1. Ms. Alewyn's Complaint

As noted, Ms. Alewyn's complaint primarily concerned an alleged extramarital affair between Representative Cook and Ms. Knorr and a resulting conflict of interest. (*See* Correspondence 0015–0016.) The letters on which Ms. Alewyn based her complaint speak for themselves. As the Report details, in the 46 letters he sent to Ms. Knorr in 45 days, "Representative Cook used the word 'love' 51 times," "referred to Ms. Knorr as 'honey,' 'my love,' and 'my woman,'" and "spoke about 'coveting another man's wife.'" (Report at 12.) Representative Cook also wrote:

- "I hunger for the day I will be able to see you in person again...." (Report, Appendix 1 at iv.)

- “All I know is ‘Love is supposed to win!’ And all I know is you have gotten me to love you—more than you can imagine—with any fault or mis deeds [sic]—I am your man.” (*Id.* at v.)
- “Just so there is no misunderstanding—I Love You.” (*Id.* at vi.)
- “I will always be your irresistible mighty warrior and no one else. I was not looking for you but thank God I found you.” (*Id.* at vii.)

Representative Cook’s and Ms. Knorr’s explanations of these letters strain credulity. Ms. Knorr, in an unsworn April 24, 2020 declaration that Representative Cook e-mailed to our colleagues, claimed that the “letters [were] written by Representative Cook and his wife Diana,” who had “gifted [Ms. Knorr] with their love in the most Christian and compassionate of ways.” (Correspondence 0114, 0116.) But “[n]one of the letters are from Diana Cook.” (Report at 12.) And to say the least, it is doubtful that any of the above-quoted statements reflected Mrs. Cook’s sentiments.

Representative Cook’s explanations are similarly implausible. Regarding his statement that he needed to “find a bird and bee card” for Ms. Knorr, Representative Cook claims that this “was a reference to his love for nature and to birds who are free to fly away.” (Report at 12.) More broadly, he contends that he was merely “trying to help an old friend recover from the devastation wreaked on her by a powerful lobbyist father and a jealous husband.” (Formal Response at 2.) These explanations are patently ridiculous. And his assertion—through counsel—that “[t]here is not even any hint of an alleged affair between Representative Cook and a lobbyist” is jaw-droppingly brazen. (Formal Response at 1.)

Yet the fact remains that both Representative Cook and Ms. Knorr have denied having an affair. Incredible though those denials may be, without an admission of an affair it is next to impossible to prove one occurred. And even if such proof were available, this Committee’s role is not to monitor Representatives’ personal affairs, no matter how tawdry.

Where a Representative’s personal affairs affect the conduct of his public office, however, that is a proper subject of this Committee’s inquiry. This is what Ms. Alewyn’s complaint alleged here: She raised concerns about conflicts of interest in light of (a) Representative Cook’s membership on “two committees that hear bills affecting the agriculture industry that [Ms.] Knorr represents,” (b) his sponsorship “of four bills favored by the [WGA],” and (c) his possible acts of “retribution” against Mr. Aja, a lobbyist whose organization was excluded from the ad hoc committee on water issues. (Correspondence 0015.)

But on these matters, too, the known facts are insufficient to conclude that Representative Cook’s conduct—however unseemly—warrants punishment by the Committee or the House. There is no conclusive evidence, for example, that Representative Cook conducted himself differently on his assigned committees than he would have except for his relationship with Ms. Knorr. Nor is there conclusive evidence that, but for that relationship, Representative Cook would not have sponsored the bills he did. As the Report notes, two of the bills at issue, H.B. 2095 and H.B. 2097, “have general applicability and benefit more than Knorr Farms,” though of course “Knorr Farms is the type of property the bill[s] [were] intended to benefit.” (Report at 16–17.) As for the alleged retribution against Mr. Aja, there is at least some credible

evidence that the omission of Mr. Aja's group was a mistake, not an effort to exact revenge. (Report at 18.) On these issues, then, the facts are too equivocal to conclude that Representative Cook engaged in the sort of disorderly behavior that would merit further action by the Committee or the House.

## **2. Mr. Cavanaugh's Complaint**

Mr. Cavanaugh's complaint alleged that Representative Cook engaged in even graver misconduct in order to benefit Ms. Knorr: Mr. Cavanaugh contended that Representative Cook not only had exerted political pressure on Sheriff Lamb to avert a tax seizure of assets at Knorr Farms, but also arranged a campaign donation in exchange for Sheriff Lamb's doing so. (Correspondence 0012–13.)

The investigation turned up no conclusive evidence of such bribery, but it produced ample evidence that Representative Cook had intervened in the planned seizure, which was subsequently halted. (Report at 15–16.) Representative Cook's involvement in the matter was, at minimum, irregular and inappropriate, and much of his testimony about that conduct lacks credibility. Representative Cook claims, for instance, that "at the time he called Sheriff Lamb, he 'didn't know Knorr Farms existed,' let alone that a seizure was planned for assets related to that property" just a few days later. (Report at 15.) Given Representative Cook's admittedly close relationship with Ms. Knorr, it is hard to believe that he did not know that Knorr Farms existed, and the timing and effect of Representative Cook's call seem more than coincidental. That is especially true given that Sheriff Lamb himself contradicted Representative Cook's claims. (*Id.*) According to Sheriff Lamb, Representative Cook called him to ask about the seizure of a farm property owned by Ms. Knorr and her husband. (*Id.*; *see also* Interviews 0020–21.)<sup>3</sup>

Representative Cook's conduct raises questions under Rule 33 of the House Rules. That Rule provides that "[n]o member shall ... [k]nowingly disclose or use, other than in the performance of his official duties, information gained as a result of his official position and which is not available to the general public, for his personal financial benefit or the financial benefit of any other person[.]" But the known facts provide no clear answer whether Representative Cook actually violated that Rule.

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<sup>3</sup> Like every other witness, Sheriff Lamb had an opportunity to review the investigators' summary of his interview and make any necessary corrections. He made none. On July 2, 2020, Representative Cook sent to Speaker Bowers a document purporting to be a declaration from Sheriff Lamb, which is attached as Exhibit 1 to this letter. Assuming its authenticity, Sheriff Lamb states that "at no time did Representative Cook ask me to do anything, nor did he ask me not to do anything," and opines that "what Representative Cook did do was both appropriate and very helpful to my ability to do my job as Sheriff to the best of my ability." Like Ms. Knorr's declaration that Representative Cook sent to our colleagues (Correspondence 0114–0116), Sheriff Lamb's declaration is not signed under penalty of perjury. And Sheriff Lamb's opinions, while perhaps illuminating, are not controlling.

There is no direct, conclusive evidence that, as a result of his position, Representative Cook gained or used non-public information for Ms. Knorr's (or someone else's) benefit. There is likewise no direct, conclusive evidence that Representative Cook exerted pressure on the Pinal County officials that crossed the line from merely inappropriate to clearly punishable conduct. Representative Cook's conduct in these matters is not model behavior. But it also is not unambiguously the kind of "disorderly behavior" that the House Rules address.

However, this conclusion could change. In his complaint, Mr. Cavanaugh stated his "personal belief that a criminal investigation is already under way regarding this specific incident ... by agencies with appropriate jurisdiction." (Correspondence 0012.) If such an investigation turns up direct evidence of misconduct by Representative Cook, then the Committee could and likely should consider that evidence. Until then, however, I do not believe that further action on Mr. Cavanaugh's complaint is warranted.

### **3. Representative Cook's Alleged Threats and Alcohol Use**

Although neither Ms. Alewyn nor Mr. Cavanaugh specifically complained about Representative Cook's use of alcohol, "[e]vidence collected by the investigation team suggested a pattern of threatening behavior related to Representative Cook's consumption of alcohol." (Report at 18.) Consistent with my direction that the investigators follow the evidence where it led, the Report details the investigators' findings about Representative Cook's reported alcohol abuse and threatening behavior over the last three years.

Whose version of these events is correct is difficult to know with certainty. Any one of the incidents described in the Report would be embarrassing to Representative Cook, his family, and the House. Because each of them came up in the course of the investigation, the investigators correctly pursued them. But even assuming that all the allegations are true—which Representative Cook denies and the evidence does not conclusively show—none of these incidents clearly amounts to disorderly behavior punishable by the Committee or the House.

### **4. Representative Cook's Failure to Cooperate with Investigators**

The Report describes in detail Representative Cook's failure to cooperate with the Committee's investigators, which amounts to a failure to cooperate with the Committee itself.

Representative Cook denies this. His June 19 response to the Report asserts that "[a]t all times Cook was fully cooperative [with this investigation], producing prodigious amounts of material, and providing all he had." (Formal Response at 2.) Indeed, Representative Cook goes so far as to say that "insisting that Cook was non-responsive and uncooperative borders on libel were it made in another context." (*Id.*)

The facts tell a different story. The timeline of events and our investigators' voluminous correspondence with Representative Cook and his counsel make clear that Representative Cook did not cooperate with investigators or produce documents in good faith, whether in response to voluntary requests or an eventual subpoena. For example, after our investigators first contacted Representative Cook, he did not respond for more than three weeks. (Report at 5–6.) When he

did respond through counsel, his lawyer apparently altered the date on her letter to make it appear as though the response had been sent a week earlier. (*Id.* at 6 n.4.)

The documents Representative Cook produced on March 13 were disorganized and unnumbered, and the great majority were either previously produced by the House, duplicates of other documents, or irrelevant filler. (*Id.* at 6.) At Representative Cook's lawyer's request, the investigators sent her a list of 14 categories of documents they were seeking and tried to set an early-April interview date. (*Id.* at 7.) After Representative Cook failed to timely produce those documents or commit to an interview, the Committee was forced to issue a subpoena. (*Id.*)

Representative Cook did not comply with the subpoena. Instead, through his lawyer, he claimed he had produced everything "in his possession but will keep looking if necessary," demanded that investigators provide him certain documents before his interview, and threatened to "go to court" if they did not. (*Id.* at 7.)

Eventually Representative Cook agreed to a May 14 interview, but he did not produce responsive documents beforehand. (Report at 8.) Three days after the interview, and more than a month after the subpoena deadline, Representative Cook produced 115 pages of responsive communications—yet those communications were still incomplete, as evidenced by other witnesses' productions of communications with Representative Cook. (*Id.* at 8–9.)

Representative Cook's failure to cooperate made our investigators' job considerably more difficult, purposefully dragged out the investigation, and, as a result, needlessly drove up the cost. Between February 18 and May 11, for example, our investigators had to write at least 14 letters to Representative Cook and his counsel, all in an effort to get Representative Cook to do what he was obligated to do from the beginning: produce documents and sit for an interview. (See Correspondence 0031, 0040, 0042, 0046–51, 0054–55, 0056–62, 0066–67, 0070–71, 0074, 0075, 0092–93, 0104–107, 0117, 0124.) During that same period, Representative Cook's lawyer sent at least 19 e-mails or letters to our investigators. (See Correspondence 0043–45, 0052–53, 0063–65, 0068–69, 0072–73, 0084, 0085, 0086–89, 0090, 0091, 0094–98, 0099–100, 0108, 0110, 0111, 0112–116, 0121–123, 0125.)

This extensive correspondence rarely moved the process forward. An exchange from late April is representative. As a courtesy to Representative Cook, on April 21 our investigators sent his counsel a long letter explaining the topics for Representative Cook's May 14 interview and attaching all of the documents they intended to ask him about. (Correspondence 0104–107.) In an April 23 response, Representative Cook's lawyer falsely accused our lead investigator of "not answer[ing] [her] emails," declared that she was "not satisfied that the documents you provided us on April 21, are ALL the documents that you will be using at the interview of Rep. Cook," and then threatened to go to court on a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request if she did not hear from our investigator that same day. (Correspondence 0108.) So it went throughout the investigation.

This constant, unproductive back-and-forth was time-consuming and therefore expensive. Had Representative Cook cooperated from the beginning—as he was required to do—the investigation would have been much faster and much cheaper. But he did not.

I will also address three inaccuracies in Representative Cook's response to the Report. First, Representative Cook says that he, "through counsel, sent a request for production of documents early on to the Ethics Committee" and that "[t]his was never even responded to." (Formal Response at 3.) He says that "[t]here were numerous attempts by [his] counsel requesting that information be provided," yet "[n]othing was responded to. There was no answer, not ever." (*Id.*) This is false. The Committee's investigators responded to Representative Cook's counsel regarding his "request for production" on March 17, 2020, explaining that "[s]uch requests demonstrate a fundamental misperception of the nature of an ethics investigation and of [Representative Cook's] role as the subject of the investigation." (Correspondence 0054.)

Second, Representative Cook says that "there was a FOIA request sent to Representative Allen, which was delegated to a staff member at the legislature, which was also never responded to." (Formal Response at 3.) This is also false. The House's Public Records Office initially responded to Representative Cook's public records request on March 27, 2020. That response is attached as Exhibit 2 to this letter. The Committee's outside investigators repeatedly explained to Representative Cook's counsel why his "FOIA requests" were misplaced. (*See, e.g.*, Correspondence 0047, 0054, 0067, 0093.) The Committee's investigators also repeatedly explained why it was inappropriate for Representative Cook to try to condition his cooperation with the investigation on receiving a response to his misdirected "FOIA requests." (*See, e.g.*, Correspondence 0092–93, 0105.)

Third, Representative Cook claims that "[i]t was only days before the hearing, that Representative Cook received any documents at all." (Final Response at 3.) This too is false. As explained above, on April 21—more than three weeks before Representative Cook's May 14 interview—the Committee's investigators sent him copies of every single document they intended to ask him about. (*See* Correspondence 0104–107.) Also on April 21, in order "[t]o give Representative Cook as much opportunity to think carefully about his answers," the Committee's investigators shared with his counsel "the main topics [the investigators] anticipate[d]" for the May 14 interview. (Correspondence 0106.)

Representative Cook's refusal to cooperate in the investigation is bad enough. Cooperating with the Ethics Committee is the bare minimum that should be expected of every Member. Complying with a Legislative subpoena is legally required. *See* A.R.S. § 41-1154. Yet Representative Cook not only failed in both regards, he has now compounded that failure by misrepresenting the facts repeatedly, through counsel, in his Final Response to the Report. Even so, whether this conduct alone amounts to disorderly behavior is, at best, a close call. And close calls probably do not merit punishment by the Committee or the House.

## **5. Representative Cook's Threats to Mr. Bray**

The Addendum reports that, within hours after Representative Cook received the Report, he called and texted Mr. Bray to deliver what Mr. Bray interpreted as "a threat pertaining to a cattle-grazing arrangement that he has with the owner of Rainbow Ranch in Arizona." (Addendum at 1.)



This raises extremely serious concerns. Mr. Bray was a witness in this investigation. Arizona law makes it a felony to threaten a witness. A.R.S. § 13-2802. Whether Representative Cook's message to Mr. Bray amounts to a criminal threat exceeds this Committee's jurisdiction to decide. But at minimum it demonstrates exceedingly poor judgment, and gives at least some additional credence to the pattern of threatening behavior described in the Report and denied by Representative Cook.

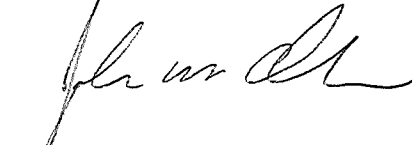
Again, however, the question before the Committee is whether Representative Cook's conduct amounts to disorderly behavior punishable by the Committee or the House. And again, the answer is equivocal.

### CONCLUSION

The complaints against Representative Cook raised serious allegations that this Committee was dutybound to investigate. Our outside investigators conducted a thorough, fair, and judicious investigation, and produced a detailed and evenhanded summary of their findings. Those findings are deeply troubling in general and in their particulars, and Representative Cook's conduct since the Report was released has only made matters worse.

Nevertheless, I do not believe that Representative Cook's conduct unequivocally amounts to disorderly behavior, punishable by the Committee or the House. Therefore, at this time, I do not anticipate taking any further action on these complaints.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Allen", written in a cursive style.

Chairman John Allen

cc: Representative David Cook  
Speaker Russell "Rusty" Bowers

# **EXHIBIT 1**

My name is Mark Lamb, I am the duly elected Sheriff of Pinal County, Arizona, and this is my sworn declaration regarding Representative David Cook as it pertains to accusations made against him through the Arizona State House Ethics Committee.

Representative Cook has been accused of soliciting a bribe in exchange for leniency on a property tax delinquency, and of personally intervening on behalf of a personal friend on that property tax delinquency matter – specifically asking me to not enter into or seize the property belonging to his friend.

The complaint is utterly without merit and I testified as such, in spite of the investigators never actually asking me about any bribes. For the record, no bribes were ever solicited, offered, received, or accepted. Moreover, at no time did Representative Cook ask me to do anything, nor did he ask me to not do anything.

I have also made it clear, in public and during the questioning, that what Representative Cook did do was both appropriate and very helpful to my ability to do my job as Sheriff to the best of my ability. Representative Cook asked me if I was aware of the processes in place in Pinal County regarding situations involving property tax delinquency, and more specifically how they were impacting business and property owners. At the time I was not aware of those processes, but I quickly became aware and realized that the process in Pinal County was not functioning in the best interests of the taxpayers and of our citizens.

Far from being inappropriate or something to complain about, Representative Cook's questions did our entire county a favor. Working with other County officials we have updated and dramatically improved our County's tax delinquency collection process in a way that will serve Pinal County taxpayers very well now and in the future.

Even better, at my own request, Representative Cook ran legislation we helped craft, to make these fixes happen.

I'm grateful for the hard work and dedication Representative Cook has put into his Legislative District, which includes a large part of Pinal County.

SIGNED ON July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

  
SHERIFF MARK LAMB

# **EXHIBIT 2**

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March 27, 2020

Dear Ms. Chenal,

Thank you for your public records request dated March 24, 2020. Pursuant to your request, I have attached responsive public records that are available now, specifically items 11, 13, and 14, as outlined in your letter. With regards to the other information and documentation requested, the Arizona House of Representatives is not in possession of it, we will need time to conduct a search for the information or we are not legally required to disclose it at this time.

The House's practice and policy is that we do not release documentation connected to an active, ongoing Ethics Committee investigation until the investigation is complete. General information that has already been made publicly available (e.g., a news release) is subject to disclosure pursuant to a public records request, but the scope and nature of your requests are much broader and require some legal justification to produce the requested information prior to the conclusion of the investigation.

The Arizona Supreme Court has long recognized that a public body may refuse inspection of public records where disclosure would be detrimental to the best interests of the state and where "inspection might lead to substantial and irreparable private or public harm." *Carlson v. Pima County*, 141 Ariz. at 491, 687 P.2d at 1246. Arizona courts have also recognized personal privacy as an exception to the general rule requiring disclosure of public records. *Id.* As a public body, the House must balance the public's right of inspection with the possible adverse impacts of prematurely releasing information related to an ongoing investigation prior to its conclusion. We must also take into consideration the personal privacy rights of those involved. Additionally, pursuant to the power that is inherent in Article IV, Part 2, § 11, of the Arizona Constitution, the House is the sole arbiter of our investigatory processes.

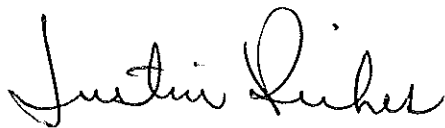
For some of the items you have requested, the House will have to conduct a search and legal review of the information consistent with Arizona public records law. For example, you have specifically requested: "2) Emails between the Ethics Committee members regarding the Cook investigation, and 8) Intra and extra office communications within and outside of the House of Representatives, whether by email, fax, or otherwise regarding Representative Cook." We will conduct a search for this information; however, it will take the Public Records Office some time

conduct a search for this information; however, it will take the Public Records Office some time to search for, compile and conduct a legal review of this information as required by Arizona law. Also, as you are aware, due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, the House of Representatives building is currently closed until April 13, at the earliest, which may result in a further delay in processing some of the information you have requested. In any event, we are prohibited from releasing confidential records, information involving privacy interests and/or anything where a member may assert legislative and/or attorney/client privilege.

Finally, some of the information you have requested, such as a copy of the 4/10/2019 letter to Speaker Bowers from Representative Cook regarding professional development for the House members, is already possessed by Representative Cook, so the House will not provide it.

Thank you for your time and attention to these matters. If you have any questions or if our office can assist you further, please do not hesitate to contact the Public Records Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justin Riches". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "J" and a distinct "R".

Justin Riches

7 February 2020

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Dear Chairman Allen:

I am writing you today regarding the recent revelations of the disturbing relationship between Representative David Cook and Arizona Western Growers Association lobbyist AnnaMarie Knorr as reported by the *Yellow Sheet Report* on January 21, 2020.

This reported relationship represents a clear conflict of interest. How can Representative Cook represent my interests as a Legislative District 8 constituent impartially when he is simultaneously involved in a compromising relationship as evidenced in letters published by *azcentral* on January 22, 2020? His writing in over 100 pages of letters reveals a personal relationship and displays disconcerting disregard for his own immediate family, revelations that underscore Representative Cook's lack of both integrity and honesty.

Cook is a member of two committees that hear bills affecting the agriculture industry that Knorr represents — the Land and Agriculture Committee and the Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee. Additionally, he was the primary sponsor of four bills favored by the Growers Association, including one dealing with issues such as tax assessments for agriculture land and one that would have infused millions of taxpayer dollars into the Temporary Groundwater and Irrigation Fund. A legislator who is in a notoriously compromised relationship with a favor-seeking lobbyist has lost the trust of the public and must not be allowed to contaminate the legislative process by favoring legislation in return for personal romantic favors.

The public disclosure of this sordid correspondence underscores the unacceptable intermingling of apparent private, personal relationship with legislative business. This demonstrates Mr. Cook's inability to separate his questionable personal relationships and the legislative business of the legislator's constituency. This is clearly a conflict of interest and contributes to the growing lack of public trust and, justified or not, adds to the perception of corruption at the state capitol.

Further, as reported by *azcentral* on January 24, 2020, Representative Cook was acting in retribution because of Ms. Knorr's father, Bas Aja's, interest in stopping Ms. Knorr's inappropriate relationship. Mr. Cook excluded Mr. Aja's organization from the Ad Hoc Committee on water issues, a public issue in which that Association is publicly known to have a great interest. This was not the only time this retribution occurred against Mr. Aja and his Association. *AZFamily*, reported in a live interview with Mr. Aja on January 24, 2020, that Mr. Cook sent texts to Mr. Aja threatening he would send a letter to his board to seek punishment against him.

Seeing this conflict and appearance of corruption, the Western Growers Association immediately placed Ms. Knorr on leave when reports of this conflict became known. Our elected officials must be held to a higher standard. If a private organization can recognize this obvious problem, surely our Legislature's leadership, and your Ethics Committee, should take appropriate steps to ensure the impartiality and integrity of our lawmakers and stop corruption immediately when these issues arise.

All of this evidence makes clear that this relationship was far beyond what is appropriate for a lawmaker and a lobbyist to engage. Representative Cook's mail demonstrates numerous times his willingness to engage in a long-term intimate relationship with Ms. Knorr all while carrying and supporting legislation she is attempting to advance. Whether there was a physical aspect of this relationship as many are speculating is not necessary. The relationship as made clear through his own statements is inappropriate, unethical, a conflict of interest, and presents the opportunity for serious corruption at our capital.

As a concerned constituent from Legislative District 8, I request an immediate investigation, and appropriate action, including removal from his sitting on the above committees, for Mr. Cook's unethical behavior, conflict of interest, and appearance of corruption. The House Ethics Committee, which you chair, is obligated to protect our legislative integrity and keep faith in our elected body.

Sincerely,

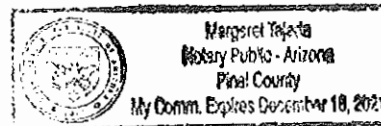


Janell Alewyn  
7021 W Locklin Ave  
Coolidge, Arizona 85128

Alewyn21@protonmail.com

Acknowledged before me  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February  
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Public My Commission expires  
December 18, 2020

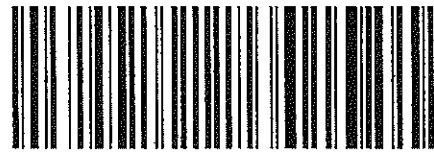
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Russell Bowers, Speaker of the House  
Charlene Fernandez, Minority Leader of the House



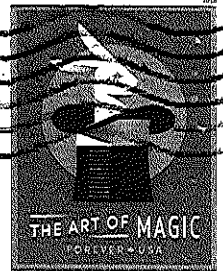
NOTE: On January 29, 2020, I sent this letter to Chairman Shope, but I was then informed that I must send it notarized. I am resending it now, notarized, to newly-named Chairman Allen.



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Chairman John Allen  
House Ethics Committee  
AZ House of Representatives  
1700 W. Washington Ave.  
Phoenix AZ 85007

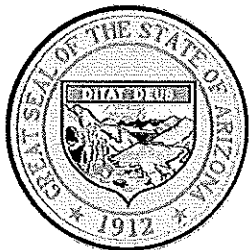
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**Jim Drake**

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**From:** House Majority Communications  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2020 5:35 PM  
**Subject:** Statement from Representative Shope on House Ethics Committee



## **NEWS RELEASE**

**Arizona House of Representatives**  
**Speaker Pro Tempore T. J. Shope (R-8)**  
1700 West Washington • Phoenix, Arizona • 85007

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**Tuesday, February 4, 2020**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Statement from Representative Shope on House Ethics Committee**

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – Representative T.J. Shope (R-8), Speaker Pro Tempore and Chairman of the House Ethics Committee, today released the following statement regarding his decision to temporarily recuse himself from the House Ethics Committee:

**“The House Ethics Committee is in receipt of two complaints filed against Representative David Cook. Given that Representative Cook and I together represent the same legislative district, I believe it is appropriate that I temporarily recuse myself from all Committee business until this matter is resolved.”**

**###**

**CONTACT:**  
Andrew Wilder  
Director of Communications  
Republican Majority Caucus  
(602) 926-5299  
[awilder@azleg.gov](mailto:awilder@azleg.gov)

**Jim Drake**

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**From:** House Majority Communications  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2020 5:47 PM  
**Subject:** Speaker Bowers Appoints Rep. John Allen as Chair and Adds Rep. Cobb to House Ethics Committee



# NEWS RELEASE

**Arizona House of Representatives**  
**Speaker of the House Rusty Bowers (R-25)**  
1700 West Washington • Phoenix, Arizona • 85007

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**Tuesday, February 4, 2020**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## Speaker Bowers Appoints Rep. John Allen as Chair and Adds Rep. Cobb to House Ethics Committee

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – Speaker Rusty Bowers (R-25) today announced that he agrees with Representative T.J. Shope's (R-8) decision to temporarily recuse himself from the House Ethics Committee until matters involving the complaints filed against Representative David Cook (R-8) are resolved.

Speaker Bowers has temporarily elevated Representative John Allen (R-15) to chair the Ethics Committee. Speaker Bowers also appointed Representative Regina Cobb (R-5) to temporarily serve on the Ethics Committee during this period.

Copies of the complaints will be made available to the public after the chairman has had a chance to review them and they have been distributed to members of the committee and the subject of the complaint.

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ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Fifty-Fourth Legislature

Second Regular Session

FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020

1:18 pm  
1:15 P.M.

*SPT*  
SPEAKER ~~BOWERS~~ PRESIDING.

THE HOUSE WILL PLEASE COME TO ORDER.

WITHOUT OBJECTION SELECT GUESTS WILL BE GRANTED PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL WILL NOW BE TAKEN.  
DO NOT REGISTER UNTIL YOU HEAR THE BELL.

THE HOUSE WILL NOW PROCEED TO REGISTER.

HAVE YOU ALL REGISTERED?  
THE CLERK WILL NOW RECORD THE ATTENDANCE.

EX	AD
	Bolding - 1:32
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	Rivers - 1:28
	Hernandez D

Present 59 Absent 1 Excused 0

PRAYER BY MEMBER ANTHONY T. KERN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG LED BY MEMBER ROBERT MEZA

WITHOUT OBJECTION THE READING OF THE JOURNAL OF MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020  
IS DISPENSED WITH AND APPROVED AS WRITTEN.

PHYSICIAN FOR A DAY - DR. SARAH COLES, DISTRICT 24, PHOENIX (Longdon & Shah)

ARE THERE ANY POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTRODUCING  
GUESTS?

*See body*

*SPEAKER IN CHAIR 1:22 pm*

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, March 10, 2020

I WISH TO ANNOUNCE THAT MEMBER NUTT WILL REPLACE MEMBER  
PETERSEN FOR THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS FOR TODAY, MARCH 10, 2020  
ONLY.

BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S DESK

MEMBERS, I WOULD LIKE TO CLARIFY AND PERHAPS RATIFY, THE APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGES MADE TO THE HOUSE ETHICS COMMITTEE ON 2/4/20 AND 2/5/20 CONSTITUTE A TEMPORARY SPECIAL SELECT ETHICS COMMITTEE CHARGED WITH ALL COMPLAINTS AGAINST REP. DAVID COOK.

THE ORIGINAL HOUSE ETHICS COMMITTEE, CHAIRED BY SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE SHOPE AND COMPRISED OF MEMBERS ALLEN, ENGEL, GRIFFIN AND RODRIGUEZ STILL EXISTS AND IS CHARGED WITH ALL OTHER COMPLAINTS

BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S DESK

MR. PETERSEN

) Mr. Speaker, since the House elected to not Third Read Senate Bill 1057 under the terms of House Rule 7 (C), I move that Senate Bill 1057 be first read and assigned to the Health and Human Services Committee and the Rules Committee.

YOU HAVE HEARD THE MOTION  
THOSE IN FAVOR WILL VOTE AYE.  
THOSE OPPOSED WILL VOTE NAY.  
THE AYES HAVE IT AND SO ORDERED.

**Jim Drake**

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**From:** Jim Drake  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 10, 2020 9:06 AM  
**To:** Sharon Soliere  
**Cc:** Josh Babel

Business on the Speaker's desk

Members, I would like to clarify and perhaps ratify, the appointments and changes made to the House Ethics Committee on 2/4/20 and 2/5/20 constitute a temporary Special Select Ethics Committee charged with all complaints against Rep. David Cook.

The original House Ethics Committee, Chaired by Speaker Pro Tempore Shope and comprised of members Allen, Engel, Griffin and Rodriguez still exists and is charged with all other complaints

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Motion to be made under "business on the Speaker's desk" also

Rep. Barto:

"Mister Speaker, since the House elected to not Third Read SB 1057 under the terms of House Rule 7(C), I move that SB 1057 be first read and assigned to the Health and Human Service Committee and the Rules Committee."

You have heard that motion. All those in favor . . .

Drake

ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Fifty-Fourth Legislature

Second Regular Session

TWENTY-THIRD DAY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020

1:30 P.M.

SPEAKER BOWERS PRESIDING.

THE HOUSE WILL PLEASE COME TO ORDER.

WITHOUT OBJECTION SELECT GUESTS WILL BE GRANTED PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR. ✓

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL WILL NOW BE TAKEN.  
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THE HOUSE WILL NOW PROCEED TO REGISTER. ✓

HAVE YOU ALL REGISTERED? ✓  
THE CLERK WILL NOW RECORD THE ATTENDANCE.

Present

58

Absent

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Excused

Espinoza  
Roberts

PRAYER BY MICHAEL INFANZON, GUEST OF MEMBER SHAWNNA LM BOLICK

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG LED BY MAJOR SHAYNE CARROLL, GUEST OF MEMBER TIMOTHY M. DUNN

WITHOUT OBJECTION THE READING OF THE JOURNAL OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020 IS DISPENSED WITH AND APPROVED AS WRITTEN.

PHYSICIAN FOR A DAY - DR. MARIA MANRIQUEZ-SANCHEZ, DISTRICT 18, PHOENIX  
(Espinoza & Jermaine)

ARE THERE ANY POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTRODUCING GUESTS? )

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, February 04, 2020



PROCLAMATIONS:

Pawlik: National School Counseling Week (~~Steve Matt to read~~)

~~Speakers Brother~~

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

— BHM - Dr. Peter  
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WITHOUT OBJECTION, REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AS LISTED ON THE CALENDAR WILL NOT BE READ. THE REPORTS WILL BE ENTERED IN THE JOURNAL AND THE BILLS WILL BE PLACED ON THE HOUSE CALENDAR.

EDUCATION

HB2 089 - dpa  
HB2 109 - dp  
HB2 110 - dp  
HB2 111 - dp  
HB2 287 - dp  
HB2 448 - dp

BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S DESK

I WISH TO ANNOUNCE THAT REPRESENTATIVE TOMA WILL TEMPORARILY REPLACE REPRESENTATIVE ROBERTS ON COMMERCE TODAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020 AND REPRESENTATIVE NUTT WILL TEMPORARILY REPLACE REPRESENTATIVE ROBERTS ON JUDICIARY TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 5, 2020 IF NECESSARY.

MR. ALLEN )

Mister Speaker, I move that House Rule 8(S) be suspended to allow the Judiciary Committee to hear a strike-everything amendment tomorrow on HB 2055 related to civil traffic violations and penalties.

YOU HAVE HEARD THE MOTION.  
THOSE IN FAVOR WILL VOTE AYE.  
THOSE OPPOSED WILL VOTE NAY.  
THE AYES HAVE IT AND SO ORDERED.

FIRST READING OF BILLS

<u>BILL NO.</u>	<u>SHORT TITLE</u>	<u>REFERRED TO COMMITTEES ON:</u>
HB 2314	technical correction; health professionals	<u>HHS</u>
HB 2391	sexual violence; interpreters; service providers	<u>JUD, APPROP</u>
HB 2507	insurance premium tax reductions; freeze	<u>WM, COM</u>

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, February 04, 2020

HB 2544	firearm; ammunition storage; civil penalty	<u>PS, JUD</u>
HB 2545	firearm dealers; firearm transfers; requirements	<u>PS, JUD</u>
HB 2668	hospitals; unreimbursed costs; assessment; fund	<u>HHS</u>
HB 2704	special services fund; treatment programs	<u>PS, APPROP</u>
HB 2708	wrongful arrest; record clearance	<u>JUD</u>
HB 2717	treasurer; pension prefunding; investment accounts	<u>GOV</u>
HB 2719	rubbish; removal; penalties	<u>GOV</u>
HB 2723	county fair racing; council; appropriations	<u>LAG, APPROP</u>
HB 2726	appropriation: Tolikan senior center facility	<u>HHS, APPROP</u>
HB 2727	AHCCCS; pregnant women; dental care.	<u>HHS</u>
HB 2731	tuition waivers; ROTC program; appropriation	<u>ED, APPROP</u>
HB 2733	appropriations; community colleges	<u>ED, APPROP</u>
HB 2737	water efficient plumbing fixtures	<u>NREW, COM</u>
HB 2739	liquor omnibus	<u>COM</u>
HB 2756	sentencing; historical prior felony convictions	<u>JUD</u>
HB 2757	income tax; credits; subtractions	<u>WM</u>
HB 2758	watershed health; use; survey	<u>NREW</u>
HB 2760	appropriation; DPS; body cameras	<u>PS, APPROP</u>
HB 2761	property value determination; modifications; verification	<u>WM</u>
HB 2764	mental health omnibus.	<u>HHS, APPROP</u>
HCM 2004	Yuma desalting plant; continued operation	<u>NREW</u>

ALL HOUSE MEASURES WHICH HAVE BEEN  
FIRST READ ARE REFERRED FOR PRINTING.

## SECOND READING OF BILLS

HB2057, HB2272, HB2290, HB2376, HB2378, HB2480, HB2557, HB2560, HB2561, HB2599, HB2646, HB2647, HB2649, HB2650, HB2667, HB2673, HB2679, HB2680, HB2685, HB2688, HB2689, HB2690, HB2691, HB2692, HB2697, HB2698, HB2700, HB2701, HB2705, HB2706, HB2735, HCR2016

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THE ACTION OF THE HOUSE

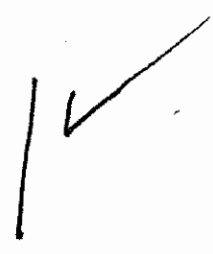
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ARE THERE ANY POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE BEFORE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE MOTION TO RECESS?

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON COMMITTEES**

<u>CHAIRMAN/ VICE-CHAIR</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>ROOM</u>	<u>TIME</u>
WENINGER / Grantham	Commerce	HR 3	2:00 PM
TOWNSEND / Carroll	Elections	HR 4	2:00 PM
GRIFFIN / Dunn	Natural Resources, Energy & Water	HR 1	2:00 PM



**WEDNESDAY MORNING COMMITTEES**

<u>CHAIRMAN/ VICE-CHAIR</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>ROOM</u>	<u>TIME</u>
ALLEN / Blackman	Judiciary ✓	HR 4	9:00 AM
PAYNE / Kern	Public Safety ✓	HR 3	9:00 AM
THORPE / Weninger	Technology	HR 5	9:00 AM
TOMA / Bolick	Ways & Means	HR 1	9:00 AM

MAJORITY LEADER)

\*Members, remember that Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> is the last day to introduce legislation. Friday February 7<sup>th</sup> is last day to open a folder.

\*Mr. Speaker, I move that the House stand at recess until the sound of the gavel.

YOU HAVE HEARD THE MOTION.  
THOSE IN FAVOR WILL VOTE AYE. ✓  
THOSE OPPOSED WILL VOTE NAY.  
THE AYES HAVE IT AND SO ORDERED.

THE HOUSE WILL STAND AT RECESS UNTIL THE SOUND OF THE GAVEL.

CARRIED AT

1:57

ARE THERE ANY POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE BEFORE THE MOTION TO  
ADJOURN?

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **TUESDAY AFTERNOON COMMITTEES**

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YOU HAVE HEARD THE MOTION.  
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THOSE OPPOSED WILL VOTE NAY.  
THE AYES HAVE IT AND SO ORDERED.

THE HOUSE WILL STAND ADJOURNED UNTIL 1:15 P.M. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020.

CARRIED AT

At 5:45 the House resumed Session, Speaker Bowers presiding.

THE HOUSE WILL PLEASE COME TO ORDER.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

WITHOUT OBJECTION, REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AS LISTED ON THE CALENDAR WILL NOT BE READ. THE REPORTS WILL BE ENTERED IN THE JOURNAL AND THE BILLS WILL BE PLACED ON THE HOUSE CALENDAR. ✓

COMMERCE

HB 2152 - dpa  
HB 2240 - dpa  
HB 2397 - dpa  
HB 2499 - dp  
HB 2633 - dp  
HB 2642 - dp

ELECTIONS

HR 2004 - dp

NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY & WATER

HB 2454 - dp  
HB 2614 - dp  
HB 2616 - dp  
HB 2618 - dp  
HB 2672 - dpa  
HB 2674 - dpa  
HB 2675 - dpa  
HB 2677 - dpa  
HCM 2004 - dp

BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S DESK

I WISH TO ANNOUNCE THAT SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE SHOPE IS TEMPORARILY REPLACED AS CHAIRMAN ON THE HOUSE ETHICS COMMITTEE BY REP. JOHN ALLEN AND THAT REP. COBB IS TEMPORARILY APPOINTED TO THE ETHICS COMMITTEE. ✓

BILLS AND OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE

WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE AS LISTED ON THE CALENDAR WILL NOT BE READ AND WILL BE ENTERED IN THE JOURNAL. ✓

Senate has PASSED on Third Reading:

SB's 1027, 1034, 1044 ✓

FIRST READING OF BILLS

BILL NO.	SHORT TITLE	<u>REFERRED TO COMMITTEES ON:</u>
HB 2712	disadvantaged business enterprises; audits	<u>TRANS</u> ✓
HB 2714	license plate designs	<u>TRANS</u> ✓
HB 2724	egg-laying hens; confinement; regulation	<u>LAG</u> ✓
HB 2730	rental vehicle license surcharge; exceptions	<u>TRANS</u> ✓
HB 2740	barbering, cosmetology, massage therapy; consolidation	<u>GOV</u> ✓
HB 2744	medical marijuana; laboratories; proficiency testing	<u>HHS</u> ✓
HB 2745	developmental disabilities; spina bifida.	<u>HHS</u> ✓
HB 2746	limited jurisdiction courts; judgment assignment	<u>JUD</u> ✓
HB 2747	aquifer protection permits; injection wells.	<u>NREW</u> ✓
HB 2748	restitution; home address requirement; offense	<u>JUD</u> ✓
HB 2749	endangered species conservation; confidential information	<u>NREW</u> ✓
HB 2755	schools; drug violations; reporting options	<u>JUD</u> ✓

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ARE THERE ANY POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE BEFORE THE MOTION TO  
ADJOURN?

MAJORITY LEADER)

Mr. Speaker, I move that the House stand  
adjourned until 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

YOU HAVE HEARD THE MOTION.  
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THOSE OPPOSED WILL VOTE NAY.  
THE AYES HAVE IT AND SO ORDERED.

THE HOUSE WILL STAND ADJOURNED UNTIL 1:15 P.M. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5,  
2020.

CARRIED AT

5:47

ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Fifty-fourth Legislature - Second Regular Session

Attendance

Present	58
Absent	0
Excused	2
Vacant	0

13:55	ALLEN J	13:55	GRIFFIN	13:55	TERÁN
13:55	ANDRADE	13:55	HERNANDEZ A	13:55	THORPE
13:55	BARTO	13:55	HERNANDEZ D	13:55	TOMA
13:55	BIASIUCCI	13:55	JERMAINE	13:55	TOWNSEND
13:55	BLACKMAN	13:55	KAVANAGH	13:55	TSOSIE
13:55	BLANC	13:55	KERN	13:55	UDALL
13:55	BOLDING	13:55	LAWRENCE	13:55	WENINGER
13:55	BOLICK	13:55	LIEBERMAN	13:55	SPEAKER BOWERS
13:55	BUTLER	13:55	LONGDON		
13:55	CAMPBELL	13:55	MEZA		
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EXE	ESPINOZA	EXE	ROBERTS		
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13:55	FILLMORE	13:55	SALMAN		
13:55	FINCHEM	13:55	SHAH		
13:55	FRIESE	13:55	SHOPE		
13:55	GABALDÓN	13:55	SIERRA		
13:55	GRANTHAM	13:55	TELLER		



**Jim Drake**

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**From:** Jim Drake  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2020 4:52 PM  
**To:** Sharon Soliere

I wish to announce that Speaker Pro Tempore Shope is temporarily replaced as Chairman on the House Ethics Committee by Rep. John Allen and that Rep. Cobb is temporarily appointed to the Ethics Committee.

Drake

ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Fifty-Fourth Legislature

Second Regular Session

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020

1:21

1:15 P.M.

SPEAKER BOWERS PRESIDING.

THE HOUSE WILL PLEASE COME TO ORDER.

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Present 51 Absent 0 Excused 1 Roberts

PRAYER BY PASTOR JEROME PARKER, GUEST OF MEMBER DIEGO ESPINOZA ✓

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG LED BY MEMBER RAQUEL TERÁN ✓

WITHOUT OBJECTION THE READING OF THE JOURNAL OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020  
IS DISPENSED WITH AND APPROVED AS WRITTEN. ✓

PHYSICIAN FOR A DAY - DR. OLGA GOKOVA, DISTRICT 11, TUCSON (Finchem & Roberts)

Δ - Speaker

ARE THERE ANY POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTRODUCING  
GUESTS?

Finchem - M.O.S. Rep. Roberts  
motion - passing

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
Wednesday, February 05, 2020

CLAMATION:

Osborne: 30 Year Anniversary of the Arizona Heritage Fund ✓

Steve

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES ✓

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PUBLIC SAFETY

HB 2030 - dpa/se  
HB 2140 - dp  
HB 2280 - dp  
HB 2415 - dp  
HB 2422 - dpa

TECHNOLOGY

HB 2060 - dpa  
HB 2200 - dp  
HB 2248 - dp  
HB 2262 - dpa  
HB 2281 - dp  
HB 2347 - dp

WAYS & MEANS

HB 2494 - dp  
HB 2629 - dp  
HB 2681 - dpa  
HB 2732 - dp

BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S DESK

I WISH TO ANNOUNCE THAT REP. DEGRAZIA TEMPORARILY REPLACES REP. RODRIGUEZ ON THE ETHICS COMMITTEE. ✓