

Arizona PIRG

Arizona Public Interest Research Group

Please ask your State Legislators to Vote No on Bills that would Stop Progress on Clean Energy, Create Uncertainty for Businesses, & Add Costs for Taxpayers

Below please find information on how to find and contact your legislators, a sample calling outline, and background on the bills. **Please make your calls today.** This week, together let's help stop bills HB2248 and SB1459 from moving through the Arizona legislature.

You can find **your legislative district** here: <https://azredistricting.org/districtlocator/>

Contact information for state **senators**: <https://www.azleg.gov/MemberRoster/?body=S>

Please call your Arizona State Senator and urge her/him to Vote No on HB2248:

[HB2248 corporation commission; electric generation resources](#)

Contact information for state **representatives**: <https://www.azleg.gov/MemberRoster/?body=H>

Please call your Arizona State Representatives and urge them to Vote No on SB1459:

[SB1459 agency decisions; administrative reviews](#)

Please call your state legislators today (more than likely you will speak with the legislator's assistant who will take a message).

1. State your name and the city or town where you live.
2. If you are calling a senator's office, please say you are calling to oppose HB2248.
If you are calling a representative's office, please say you are calling to oppose SB1459.
3. Leave a brief message saying why you oppose the bill(s). See background below for a potential reason(s).
4. Thank the person you speak with for listening.
5. Urge your friends and family to make a call.

Background on the bills

In short, HB2248/SB1175, HB2737 and SB1459 are an overreach by the Arizona Legislature. The bills seek to take Constitutional power from the Arizona Corporation Commission, which regulates utility companies including APS, TEP, and UNSE and has set energy policy for decades.

The bills would undermine the extensive energy rules process the Arizona Corporation Commission has conducted for the last couple of years, and the resulting policy supported by business entities, consumer organizations, health leaders, environmental groups, faith-based institutions, and consumers across our state.

The bills would create uncertainty for businesses, which may cause them to locate or expand their operations elsewhere; therefore, impacting job creation and having a rippling effect on our state's economy. If the bills were to pass, they would likely result in years of costly litigation.

Business entities including the Arizona Technology Council and the Greater Phoenix Chamber; consumer groups including the Arizona Public Interest Research Group (Arizona PIRG) and *Wildfire: Igniting Community Action to End Poverty in Arizona*; and health leaders including the Arizona Public Health Association and the American Lung Association in Arizona are opposed to HB2248/SB1175 and HB2737. Arizona PIRG also urges the legislature to Vote No on SB1459.

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