

**ARIZONA STATE SENATE** Fifty-Sixth Legislature, Second Regular Session

# **VETOED**

# FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2375

## guaranteed income program; prohibition

### Purpose

Prohibits a municipality or a county from establishing or enforcing a guaranteed income program.

#### Background

Statute outlines the general powers of a municipality, that include the powers to levy taxes; appropriate monies and provide for payments of its debts and expenses and adopt ordinances for the government of the corporation, its officers and person within its corporate limits needful for the good government and order of the municipality (<u>A.R.S. Title 9</u>).

A county has the power to: 1) sue and be sued; 2) purchase and hold lands within its limits; 3) make contracts and purchase and hold personal property as may be necessary to the exercise of its powers; 4) make orders for the disposition or use of its property as the interests of the inhabitants of the county require; 5) levy and collect taxes for purposes under its exclusive jurisdiction; and 6) determine the budgets of all elected and appointed county officers (A.R.S. § 11-201).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

### Provisions

- 1. Prohibits a municipality or a county from establishing, adopting, enforcing or maintaining any ordinance, order or rule that has the purpose or effect of making payments to persons as part of a guaranteed income program.
- 2. Prohibits a municipality or a county from interpreting or applying a law of general application in a manner that conflicts with the prohibition on guaranteed income programs.
- 3. Defines *guaranteed income program* as any program where persons are provided with regular, periodic cash payments that are unearned and that may be used for any purpose.
- 4. Excludes from the definition of *guaranteed income program* any program in which a person is required to perform work or attend training.
- 5. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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#### Governor's Veto Message

The Governor indicates in her <u>veto message</u> that the broad language in H.B. 2375 could threaten programs Arizonans rely on such as housing, food and emergency need programs if administered at the local level.

House Action				Senate Action			
GOV 3 <sup>rd</sup> Read	2/14/24 2/22/24	DP	5-4-0-0 31-28-0-0-1	GOV 3 <sup>rd</sup> Read	3/13/24 3/27/24	DP	4-2-2 16-12-2

Vetoed by the Governor 4/2/24

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