

**Arizona SWANA Legislative Update
February 3, 2016**

1. State

SB1234 – Minimum wage, nonmonetary compensation. Modifies the definition of wages to include board, lodging, and other facilities. Second read in Senate, January 25, 2016. Assigned to the House Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Committee to be heard at 2:00 pm. on March 9, 2015, House Hearing Room 1.

SB1256 - Drug lab remediation. Repeals requirements associated with assayers and drug lab remediation. Second read in Senate, January 27, 2016. Assigned to the Senate Government Committee, February 3, 2016.

HB2009 – Veteran-owned businesses, procurement plan. Requires the DOA to set a 1.5% goal for veteran-owned business procurement. Second read in House, February 2, 2016. Assigned to the House Maps and Rules Committees, February 1, 2016.

HB2196 – Paid sick and health time. Creates a mandatory sick leave for employees, with a minimum of 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours worked, limits accrual to 72 hours. Defines what constitutes sick leave. Second read in House January 26, 2016.

2. Federal

SB1246 – Protecting America’s Paper for Recycling Act. Amends the Internal Revenue Code, with respect to the tax credit for producing electricity from renewable resources, to exclude from the definition of "municipal solid waste" solid waste that is collected as part of a system that includes materials recovery and that commingles commonly recycled paper with other solid waste that is not commonly recycled at any point from the time of collection through materials recovery. Introduced in Senate, May 7 2015.

SB1953 – Trash Reduction and Sensible Handling Act (TRASH). A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to authorize States to restrict interstate waste imports and impose a higher fee on out-of-State waste. Introduced in Senate, August 5, 2015.

SB2446 – Improving Coal Production Residuals Act. Amends subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to encourage recovery and beneficial use of coal combustion residuals and establish requirements for the proper management and disposal of coal combustion residuals that are protective of human health and the environment. Introduced in Senate, January 19, 2016.

HR3217 – Zero Waste Development and Expansion Act. Authorizes EPA to award grants for municipal solid waste prevention and recycling program development, and for other purposes. Introduced in House, July 28, 2016, referred to House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EPA Revisions to RCRA Subtitle D Research, Demonstration & Development Permit Rule. EPA is considering modifying the permit term provision of the Research, Demonstration and Development (RD&D) rule in the subtitle D regulations for MSWLFs. One of the issues that has arisen is the 12-year time limitation on RD&D permits. States that have issued RD&D permits indicate to EPA that this limitation discourages long-term research and shortens the investment period needed to recoup costs, because the lag time from design to operation can be as much as three years.