



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1151

fowl regulation; prohibition

Purpose

Prohibits municipalities from adopting zoning ordinances that forbid residents in single-family detached homes from keeping fowl in their backyards.

Background

Statute lists the buildings and structures that municipal governments have the authority to regulate and lists other areas that a municipal legislative body may choose to exercise authority, including the establishment of a variety of districts (A.R.S. § 9-462.01). Currently statute does not specify any regulation regarding fowl owned within municipal boundaries.

Fowl is defined as a bird that is raised for the purpose of consumption.

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

Provisions

1. Prohibits municipalities from adopting zoning ordinances that prohibit single family detached residences from keeping fowl in the property's backyard.
2. Allows a municipality to restrict the number of fowl and the ownership of male fowl, unless the male fowl is incapable of making noise.
3. Includes language that specifies that this act preempts all local laws, ordinances, and charter provisions to the contrary of the added language.
4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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