



ARIZONA STATE SENATE

Fifty-First Legislature, Second Regular Session

AMENDED FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1401

United States submarine memorial

Purpose

Establishes a memorial for United States submarine veterans, to be placed in Wesley Bolin Plaza.

Background

The U.S. Navy has used submarines in some capacity since the Civil War. The U.S. Navy's submarine force was used successfully in World War II to disrupt Japanese shipping and during the Cold War as a nuclear deterrent. The current U.S. Navy submarine force is used primarily for power projection, with the submarine force currently deployed in support of combat operations around the world.

Arizona cities were the namesake of two Los Angeles-Class submarines. The U.S.S. Phoenix (SSN-702) was commissioned on December 19, 1981, and the U.S.S. Tucson (SSN-770) was commissioned on August 18, 1995. The Phoenix was decommissioned on July 29, 1998, and the Tucson remains in service.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Authorizes the Arizona Department of Administration, in accordance with statutory procedures, to establish a memorial in Wesley Bolin Plaza commemorating United States submarine veterans.
2. Prohibits the use of public monies for any costs associated with the memorial.
3. Stipulates that all fundraising and contracts for the artistic design and construction of the memorial are the responsibility of the proponents.
4. Prohibits the state from facilitating fund-raising or establishing a state fund for the deposit of the monies.
5. Contains a repeal date of October 1, 2017.
6. Makes a technical change.
7. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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Amendments Adopted by Committee

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Senate Action

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