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## **AFP-Arizona 2012 Legislative Objectives**

AFP-Arizona's state legislative policy plan for this year is outlined in the scoring rubric for our 2012 Legislative Scorecard, shown on Page 2. The 2012 scorecard will be the 28th annual scorecard put out by AFP-Arizona and the Arizona Federation of Taxpayers. (Read the 2011 Scorecard at [www.aztaxpayers.org](http://www.aztaxpayers.org), under What's New.) The scorecard weights bills according to their projected dollar impact to Arizona taxpayers, consumers, and producers (\$1 million equals one point). Since 2008, AFP-Arizona has given legislators advance notice of which bills would be scored as key bills during the session. Grassroots taxpayer activists and tea party members can help us greatly in promoting our free market agenda by reminding returning legislators and newly elected legislators that we will hold them strictly accountable in 2012. As in 2009-2011, the designations for AFP Arizona Legislative Scorecard will be as follows:

90-100% = Hero of the Taxpayer	80-89% = Champion of the Taxpayer
70-79% = Friend of the Taxpayer	60-69% = Not Bad
50-59% = Needs Improvement	30-49% = Friend of Big Government
10-29% = Champion of Big Government	0-9% = Hero of Big Government

### **State Legislative Objectives – 2012 Session**

- 1) Restrain Arizona State Government Spending (There is NO surplus!)**
- 2) Pass Truth-in-Spending Legislation for Budget Transparency**
- 3) Prevent Gov. Brewer from Enacting an Arizona ObamaCare Exchange**
- 4) Paycheck Protection Statutory Reform**
- 5) Reduce Municipal Spending by Consolidating Elections in November**
- 6) Restrain Public-Sector Union Power – End Collective Bargaining, Meet & Confer, Taxpayer-Funded Union Release Time**
- 7) Prevent Enactment/Referral of K-12 or Hospital Bed Taxes**
- 8) Enact Pro-Growth Tax Reforms**
- 9) Expand AZ's Private School K-12 Tax Credits, Protect ESAs**
- 10) Prevent Enactment of New Corporate-Welfare Tax Credits**
- 11) Move State Employees to Defined Contribution Pensions, HSAs**
- 12) Allow for Interstate Health Insurance Purchase & Competition**
- 13) Create Higher Ed Vouchers/Decentralize University Governance**
- 14) Regulatory Reform (State & Local), Tort Reform, State Personnel Reform**
- 15) Other Key Legislation – *Ad Hoc***

**Scoring Rubric for AFP-Arizona's 2012 Legislative Scorecard – Updated 02/10/2012**

<b>Reform Element</b>	<b>Good Bill Numbers (Bad Bill Numbers)</b>	<b>Sponsors--Good Bills (Sponsors-Bad Bills)</b>	<b>AFP AZ 2012 Scorecard</b>
Achieve a \$400M surplus in FY2013	Multiple bills	TBA	<b>500*</b>
Truth in Spending: special vote to spend faster than pop. + infl.	<a href="#"><u>SB 1275</u></a>	Sen. <a href="#"><u>Steve Smith</u></a>	<b>200</b>
Stop AZ ObamaCare exchange**	<i>(Executive action)</i>	<i>(Gov. <a href="#"><u>Jan Brewer</u></a>)</i>	<b>200</b>
Paycheck Protection statutory reform	<a href="#"><u>SB 1484</u></a>	Sen. <a href="#"><u>Andy Biggs</u></a>	<b>100</b>
Reduce municipal spending: elections to even Novembers	<a href="#"><u>HB 2320</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>HB 2043</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>HB 2826</u></a>	Rep. <a href="#"><u>David B. Smith</u></a> Rep. <a href="#"><u>John Fillmore</u></a> Rep. <a href="#"><u>Michelle Ugenti</u></a>	<b>100</b>
End collect. bargain., meet-&-confer & paid union release time	<a href="#"><u>SB 1485</u></a> / <a href="#"><u>SB 1486</u></a> <a href="#"><u>SB 1487</u></a> / <a href="#"><u>SB 1063</u></a> <a href="#"><u>HB 2317</u></a> / <a href="#"><u>HB 2318</u></a>	Sens. <a href="#"><u>Rick Murphy</u></a> and <a href="#"><u>Lori Klein</u></a> Rep. <a href="#"><u>David B. Smith</u></a>	<b>600</b>
Prevent K-12 or hospital bed taxes**	<i>(Multiple bills)</i>	<i>(TBA)</i>	<b>1,500 (?)</b>
Enact pro-growth tax reductions	<a href="#"><u>HCR 2009</u></a> / <a href="#"><u>HB 2488</u></a>	Reps. <a href="#"><u>Jack Harper</u></a> , Rep. <a href="#"><u>Carl Seel</u></a>	<b>300 (?)</b>
Expand school choice tax credits; ESAs	<a href="#"><u>SB 1047</u></a> <a href="#"><u>HB 2626</u></a>	Sen. <a href="#"><u>Rick Murphy</u></a> , Rep. <a href="#"><u>Debbie Lesko</u></a>	<b>100 (?)</b>
Prevent new corporate welfare tax credits**	<i>(SB/HB)</i>	<i>(TBA)</i>	<b>100 (?)</b>
DC pensions & HSAs for state employees	SB / <a href="#"><u>HB 2745</u></a>	Rep. <a href="#"><u>David B. Smith</u></a>	<b>200 (?)</b>
Allow interstate health insurance	<a href="#"><u>SB 1250</u></a> / HB	Sen. <a href="#"><u>Nancy Barto</u></a>	<b>200</b>
Higher ed. vouchers / reform university gov.	SB / <a href="#"><u>HB 2181</u></a>	Rep <a href="#"><u>Chester Crandell</u></a>	<b>100 (?)</b>
Regulatory reform, tort reform, and state personnel reform	<a href="#"><u>HB 2827</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>HB 2468</u></a> <a href="#"><u>HB 2168</u></a> <a href="#"><u>HB 2571</u></a> (?)	Reps. <a href="#"><u>Ugenti</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>Gray</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>Dial</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>Olson</u></a> , Gov. <a href="#"><u>Jan Brewer</u></a> , et al	<b>100 (?)</b>
OTHER fiscal/reg **	Multiple bills	TBA	<b>300 (?)</b>
Total, raw points	NA	NA	4,500
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