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## **SB 1051: census adjustment; population threshold**

**Sponsor: Senator Shope, LD 16**

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### **Overview**

Increases the population threshold to 500,000 persons under which a county is subject to stated requirements regarding county rural planning areas, the transportation excise tax and the Arizona long-term care system (ALTCS).

### **History**

In counties with a population of less than 400,000 persons:

- 1) the board of supervisors receives petitions from property owners to form rural planning areas. People who own a majority of the acres must sign the petition; and
- 2) cities and towns and the county sharing a multijurisdictional area with a combined population of more than 50,000 but less than 100,000 persons may voluntarily form rural planning zones to develop coordinated and comprehensive regional plans ([A.R.S. § 11-806](#)).

In a county with a population of 400,000 persons or less, the officer collecting transportation excise must tax monies transfers the monies to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer deposits the monies in a fund designated for the county as the county's regional area road fund ([A.R.S. § 28-6391](#)).

In a county with a population of 400,000 persons or less, the Director of AHCCCS must propose, at least every five years, a contract to be a program contractor and provide, on a capitation rate basis, to enrolled members who are not persons with disabilities and who are residents of the county. Certain exceptions apply ([A.R.S. § 36-2944](#)).

### **Provisions**

1. Increases the population threshold from 400,000 persons to 500,000 persons in which a county is subject to prescribed requirements for:
  - a) rural planning areas and zones;
  - b) transportation excise tax distribution; and
  - c) program contracts in ALTCS. (Sec. 1-3)
2. Removes that the county population is determined by the U.S. decennial census for ALTCS. (Sec. 3)
3. Makes technical changes. (Sec. 1,3)

Prop 105 (45 votes)

Prop 108 (40 votes)

Emergency (40 votes)

Fiscal Note