



**ARIZONA STATE SENATE**  
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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1066

foreign entities; land; legislative approval

Purpose

Prohibits land in Arizona from being conveyed to a foreign entity that is hostile to the United States without the Legislature's approval and requires a grantee's identification to be submitted to the Arizona Department of Real Estate (AZRE).

Background

The Arizona State Land Department (ASLD) administers all laws relating to lands owned by, belonging to or controlled by the state. A person over 18 years of age may purchase state land by submitting a verified written application to the ASLD. The ASLD may allow state lands to be sold, if the sale is not prohibited by law, upon receiving an application. The application must include the applicant's name, age, residence and the description of the land to be purchased. Corporations or associations not qualified to transact business in Arizona may not purchase, lease or sublease state lands (A.R.S. §§ [37-102](#); [37-231](#); [37-232](#); [37-233](#); and [37-240](#)).

The state must consent to the acquisition of any privately owned real property in Arizona by the United States. The consent of the state is given by the Governor's signing of a joint resolution adopted by the Legislature ([A.R.S. § 37-620.02](#)).

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

Provisions

1. Prohibits land in Arizona from being conveyed to a foreign entity that is hostile to the United States without majority approval from the Senate and House of Representatives.
2. Requires a grantor and the grantor's agent to submit a valid form of the grantee's identification to the AZRE.
3. Requires, if the grantee is not a natural person, the grantor and grantor's agent to submit valid identification of the grantee's agent and the grantee's name and principal place of business.
4. Requires the grantor, the grantor's agent and the AZRE to maintain a copy of the grantee's identification, or if the grantee is not a natural person, the identification of the grantee's agent, and the grantee's name and principal place of business.
5. Deems the grantee's identification as valid unless it can be determined on its face that the identification has expired.

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6. Removes the prohibition on leasing or subleasing state lands to a corporation or association not qualified to transact business in Arizona.
7. Defines *foreign entity* as a foreign government, state-controlled enterprise of a foreign government or entity acting as an agent for a foreign government or state-controlled enterprise of a foreign government.
8. Defines *valid identification* as:
  - a) any document that bears the photograph, name and address of the grantee or, if the grantee is not a natural person, the grantee's agent;
  - b) an Arizona driver license;
  - c) an Arizona nonoperating identification license;
  - d) a tribal enrollment card or another form of tribal identification; or
  - e) a U.S., state or local government-issued identification.
9. Makes technical and conforming changes.
10. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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