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A.R.S. § 5-802

State law that Sports & Tourism Authority operate under

https://www.azleg.gov/ ars/5/00802.htm



## 5-802. Formation of authority

Requires population of more than two million persons. Authority is a corporate and political obody. The qualified electors residing in the authority may levy a tax. Performing a governmental function.

#### **About the Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority**

https://azsta.com/about.php

Formed as a result of voter approval of Prop. 302 in November 2000, AZSTA is responsible for owning and operating State Farm Stadium; funding tourism promotion in Maricopa County; funding the construction and renovation of Cactus League spring training facilities; and funding Youth and Amateur Sports projects and programs. AZSTA has played a leadership role in the Valley's bids for mega sporting events.

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#### **Document Archive & Resources**

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## **PROP 302**

https://tourism.az.gov/proposition-302/#:-:text=The%20Proposition%20302%20Maricopa %20County,County%20tourism%20marketing%20and% 20promotion.

#### **PROGRAM**

In 1999 voters approved the Proposition 302 initiative, which includes funding to promote tourism in Maricopa County. Funding is derived over a 30 year period from a car rental surcharge and a 1% tax on hotels in Maricopa County.

2,section 5-835, subsection B or C and Title 42, Chapter 6, Article 3, section 42-6108.01. All monies in this account are continuously appropriated to the office of tourism, which, in consultation with a consortium of destination marketing organizations in the county in which the tourism and sports authority is established, shall

#### STATUTE AUTHORIZATION

Arizona Revised Statutes, Chapter 19, Article 1

41-2306. Tourism fund

(Caution: 1998 Prop 105 applies)

A. The tourism fund is established consisting of separate accounts derived from:

office of tourism for the purposes of operations and statewide tourism promotion.

1. State general fund monies appropriated to the fund by the legislature. All monies in this account are continuously appropriated to the



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- 2. Revenues deposited pursuant to section 5-835, subsection B or C. All monies in this account are continuously appropriated to the office of tourism, which, in consultation with a consortium of destination marketing organizations in the county in which the tourism and sports authority is established, shall be spent to promote tourism within that county. For fiscal years 2010-2011 and 2011-2012, fifty per cent of the revenues deposited in the tourism fund pursuant to this paragraph may be expended by the office of tourism for operational and administrative purposes.
- 3. Revenues deposited pursuant to section 42-6108.01. The legislature shall appropriate all monies in this account to the office of tourism, which, in conjunction with the destination marketing organization in the county in which the tax revenues are collected, shall be spent only to promote tourism within that county and shall not be spent for administrative or overhead expenses.
- 4. Revenues deposited pursuant to section 5-601.02(H)(3)(b)(iv). The office of tourism shall administer the account. The account is not subject to appropriation, and expenditures from the fund are not subject to outside approval notwithstanding any statutory provision to the contrary. Monies received pursuant to section 5-601.02 shall be deposited directly with this account. On notice from the office of tourism, the state treasurer may invest and divest monies in the account as provided by section 35-313, and monies earned from investment shall be credited to the account. No monies in the account shall revert to or be deposited in any other fund, including the state general fund. Monies in this account shall supplement, not supplant, current funds in other accounts of the tourism fund. Monies in this account shall be spent only to promote tourism within the state and shall not be used for administrative or overhead expenses.
- B. Monies in the fund are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190 relating to lapsing of appropriations.

