



Arizona Sex Offender Management Board

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The Honorable Janae Shamp
Arizona State Senate
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Senator Shamp,

On behalf of the Arizona Sex Offender Management Board, I write to respectfully express the Board's position on three specific pending pieces of legislation: SB1240, SB1239 and SB1092.

Following review and discussion, the Board voted on March 23, 2026, to:

- **Support - SB1240**

By a vote of 12 yes, zero no, and eight abstaining, the Board supports this bill as it represents a step in the right direction to stop incentive payments. Additionally, the Board believes that providing incentives to high-risk populations could inadvertently encourage behaviors or conditions the policy is intended to mitigate.

- **Oppose - SB1239**

By a vote of 13 yes, six no, and one abstaining, the Board opposes the bill as written because it is too broad and it creates a strict liability crime by taking away autonomy of the people who it charges. Additionally, *State v. Helmer*, 203 Ariz. 309 (2002) holds that failing to register is a continuing offense. As long as the sex offender continues to not register, the defendant continues to violate the law, and the statute of limitations is not an issue.

- **Oppose - SB1092**

By a vote of 16 yes, one no, and three abstaining, the Board opposes the bill as it removes judicial discretion in instances such as those involving the aging population, persons with developmental disabilities, and situations related to youth and young adults.

The recording of the meeting is available at: azdps.gov/sites/default/files/2026-03/AZSOMB_March_Meeting-20260323Meeting.mp3) (timestamp discussion begins at 47:05 and concludes at 1:39:30).

The AZSOMB remains committed to working collaboratively with the Executive Branch and the Legislature to advance sound policy. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Gordon". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Chairperson
Arizona Sex Offender Management Board

cc: The Honorable Katie Hobbs
The Honorable Warren Petersen
The Honorable Steve Montenegro
The Honorable Oscar De Los Santos
The Honorable Priya Sundareshan
The Honorable Wendy Rogers
The Honorable Quang H. Nguyen
The Honorable Analise Ortiz
The Honorable Alma Hernandez