



THE UNIVERSITY
OF ARIZONA

2024 LEGISLATIVE
FORECAST
JANUARY 9, 2024

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NAVIGATING GOVERNMENT



TODAY'S AGENDA



2023 LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS



2024 PREVIEW

- What we know



EDUCATION POLICY LANDSCAPE



Q & A



2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BY THE NUMBERS

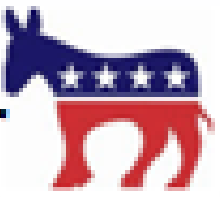


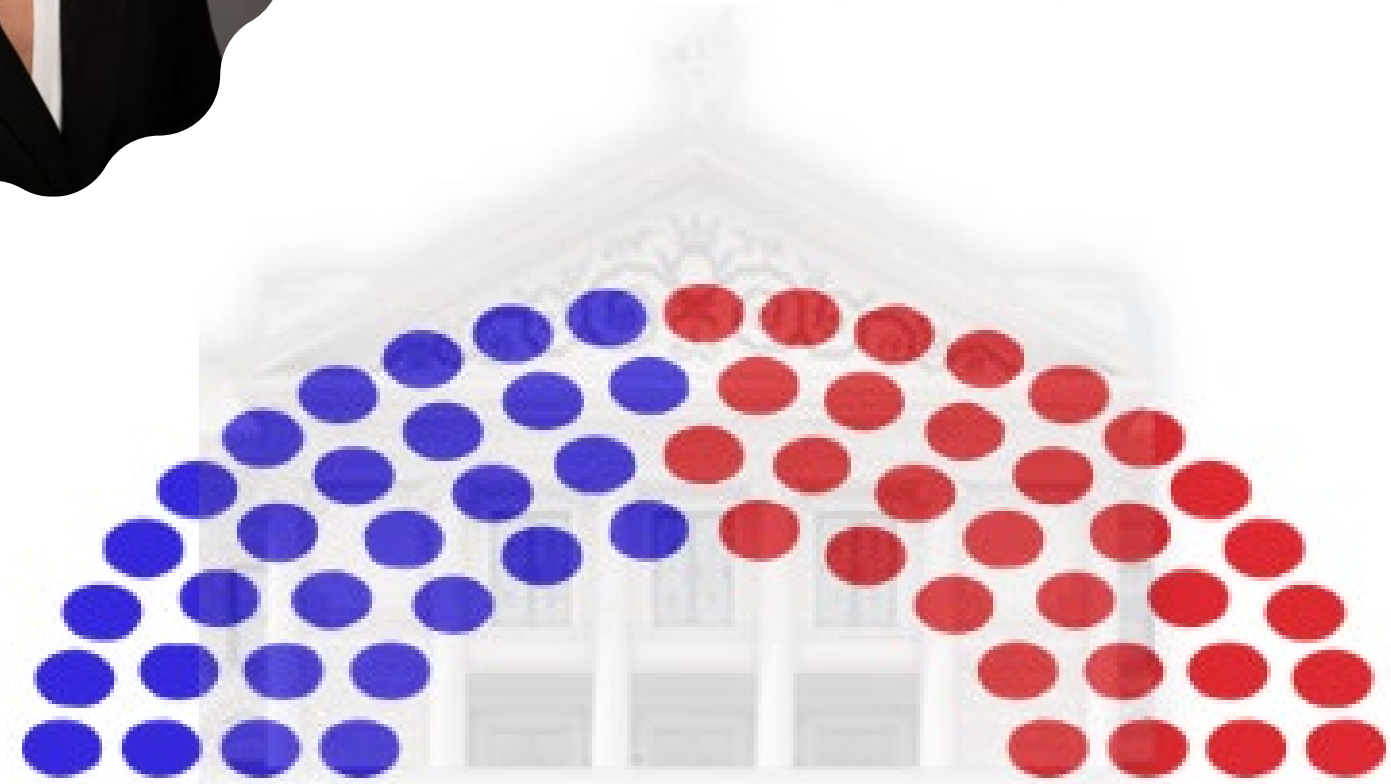
- 204 DAYS IN SESSION
- 1675 MEASURES INTRODUCED
- 348 BILLS SENT TO THE GOVERNOR
- 205 BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW
- GENERATIVE EFFECTIVE DATE: OCT 30
- 143 RECORD VETOES

2024

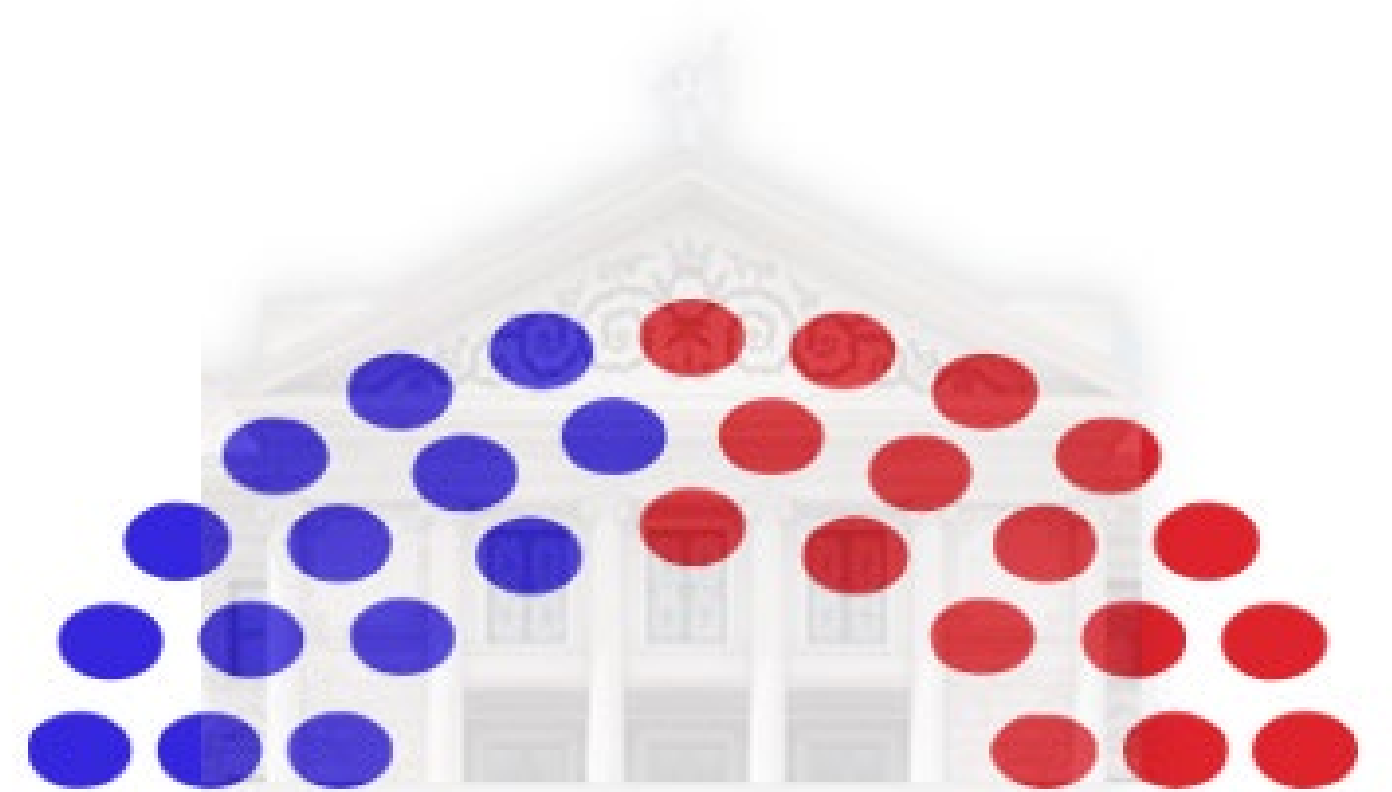
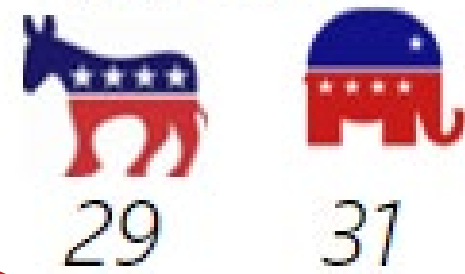
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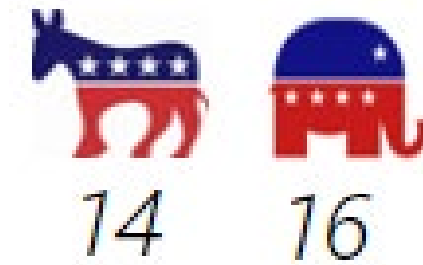
Governor 



House



Senate



2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

HIGHLIGHTS

- The approved [\\$17.8 billion approved budget](#) prioritized one-time spending over ongoing spending.
 - Six months later, state facing \$1 billion deficit (+ or -)



2023 Funding Snapshot:



\$610 M

Transportation
Infrastructure



\$300 M

K-12 Public
Schools



+ \$250 M

\$150 M Housing
Trust Fund & \$60 M
Homelessness Fund



\$260 M

Personal Tax Rebate
(\$250/dependent)

READING THE TEA LEAVES



DIVIDED
GOVERNMENT



AGENCY
SUNSETS



FISCAL
SHORTFALL

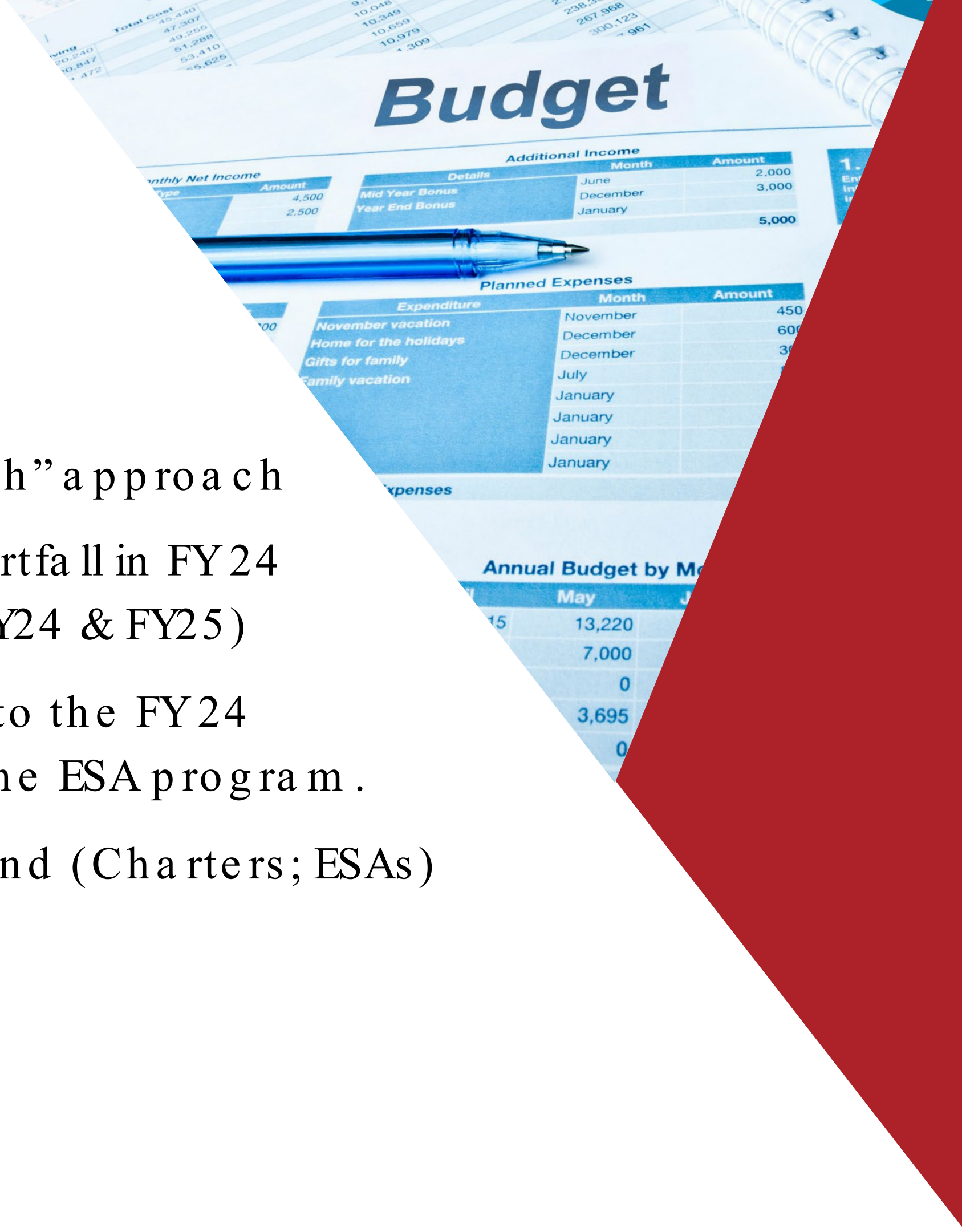


2024
ELECTION

FY 24-25

BUDGET FORECAST

- FY24 budget: \$17.8 B bipartisan budget - “Oprah” approach
- The new forecast (FY25) projects a \$407 m shortfall in FY24 (current budget year) & nearly \$1b shortfall (FY24 & FY25)
- JLBC has not recommended any adjustments to the FY24 budget but is monitoring spending, including the ESA program.
- Continuing shift of K-12 spending to General Fund (Charters; ESAs)
- Rainy Day Fund Balance: \$1.5 B
- State agency cuts, claw backs of FY24 budget



K- 12 LEGISLATIVE THEMES



MANDATES



CHOICE



ACCOUNTABILITY



SCHOOL
FINANCE



CURRICULUM/
INSTRUCTION

POLICY LANDSCAPE

(what we know & what we don't know)

TOP OF MIND (K- 12)

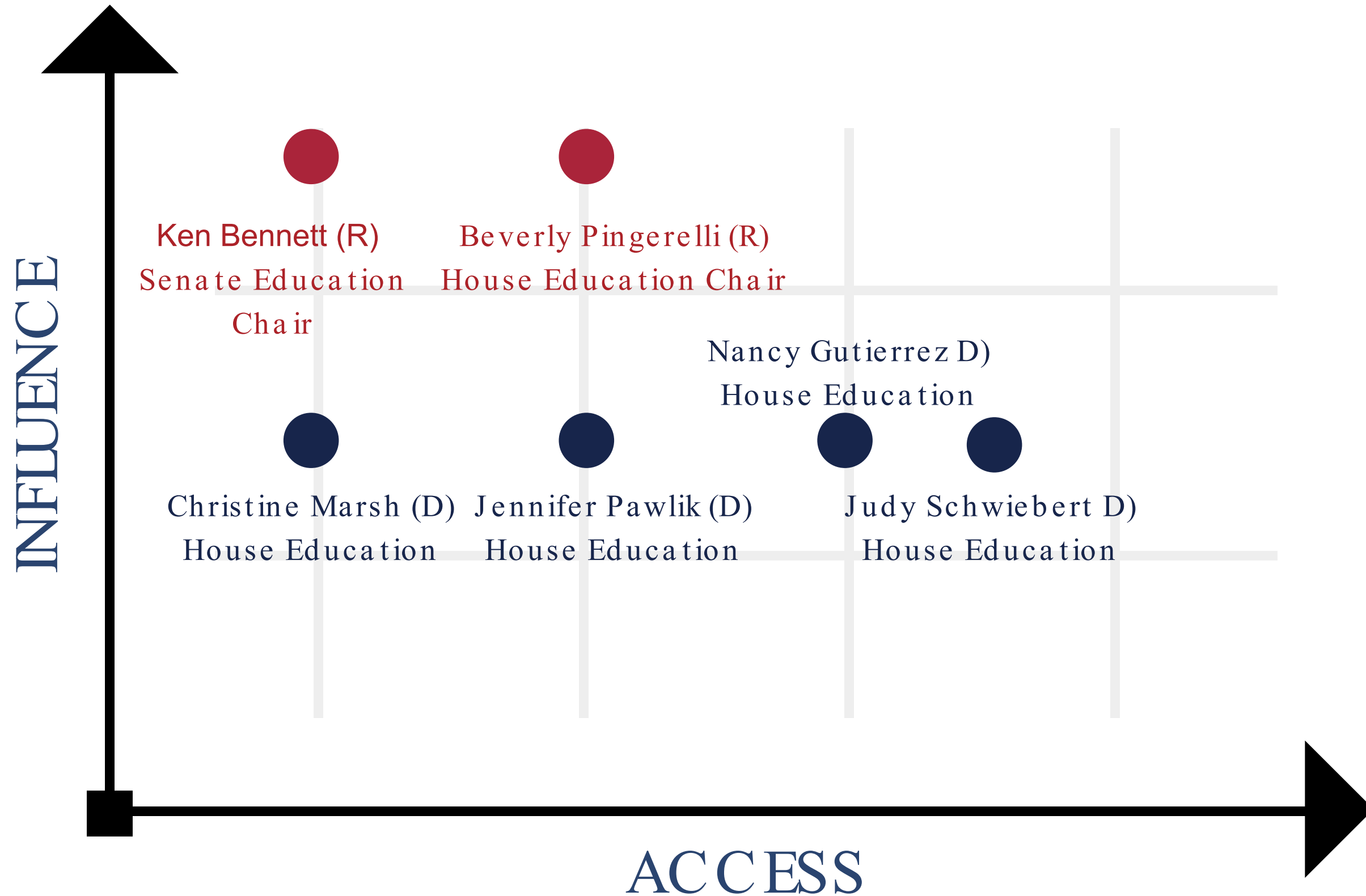
- **Aggregate Expenditure Limit Proposal (Extend again or Fix)**
- **Universal ESA – Accountability/Transparency measures**
- **Workforce Readiness**
- **Prop 123 Extension to the ballot – Teacher Pay Raises (other staff)**
- **Title 15 ‘reforms’**

GOVERNOR’S PRIORITIES

- **ESA Guidelines**
- **Teacher and Support Staff Pay Increases**
- **Workforce Development**



LEADERS IN K-12



ADE AGENDA

- Graduation Requirements
- Career and Technical Education Focus
- Dual Language fight

DUAL LANGUAGE

- Ongoing lawsuit
- ADE FY 25 budget request
Request to add 12 full -time employees to: “train teachers in the most effective ways to teach English learners.”
- Anna Tovar
 - State Board of Education
 - First Latina to hold statewide office when she won Commissioner race for ACC
 - Former teacher at Tolleson Elementary



SOUTHERN AZ LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

LD 21

- Senator Rosanna Gabaldon (D)
- Rep. Consuelo Hernandez (D)
- Rep. Stephanie Stahl Hamilton (D)

LD 20

- Senator Sally Ann Gonzales (D)
- Rep. Alma Hernandez (D)
- Rep. Betty Villegas (D)

LD 18

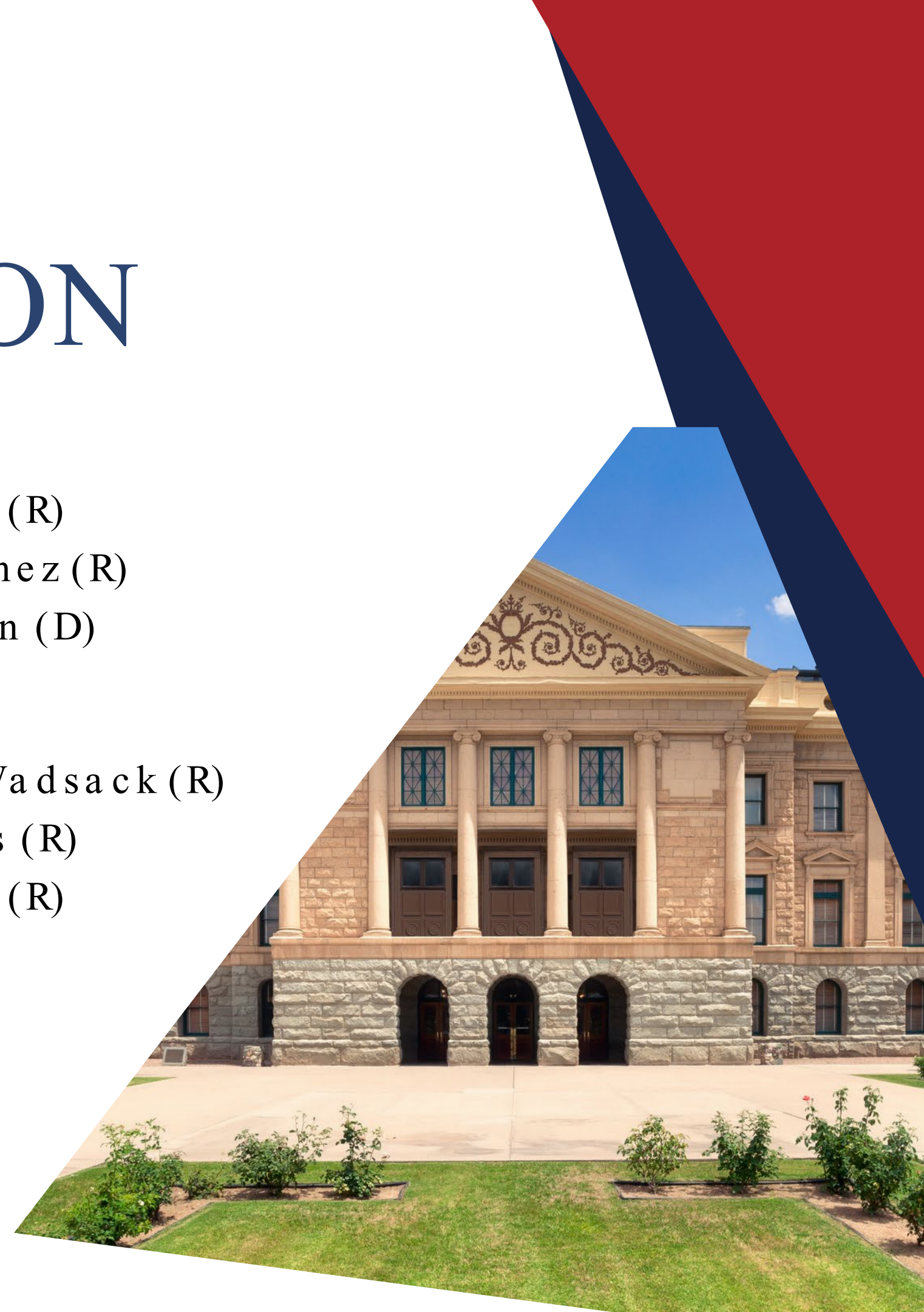
- Senator Priya Sundareshan (D)
- Rep. Nancy Gutierrez (D)
- Rep. Chris Mathis (D)

LD 16

- Senator TJ Shope (R)
- Rep. Teresa Martinez (R)
- Rep. Keith Seaman (D)

LD 17

- Senator Justine Wadsack (R)
- Rep. Rachel Jones (R)
- Rep. Cory McGarr (R)



SESSION TIMELINE



JAN 8
opening day



JAN - FEB
bill introduction
deadlines



FEB
bills move to
2nd chamber



MARCH
deadline to
consider bills in
2nd chamber



APRIL
conference
committees
100th day

Q&A

