

Joint Legislative Ad Hoc Study Committee on Air Quality and Energy

PURPOSE: To convene and solicit information from experts and the public about local recommendations for attempted compliance with EPA rulemaking determinations regarding ozone nonattainment. The Committee shall consider evidence and testimony regarding: (1) the sources of ozone in Arizona and reasons for nonattainment; (2) the efforts taken to address or mitigate such sources to-date; (3) the feasibility of achieving federal standards; (4) the ozone control measures recommended for inclusion in a state ozone plan; (5) the basis and authority for the proposed recommendations; (6) the impact of these mandates on Arizona workers, families and industries, including but not limited to the impact on affordable energy and consumer products; (7) the effect control measures will have on Arizona's economic competitiveness; (8) the practicality of achieving the recommended proposals, if pursued, and the impact of such measures on ozone levels from all sources, if implemented; (9) the potential for fines and penalties that could be levied on Arizona businesses by the federal government; (10) the consequences that emission control measures have on the reliability and affordability of energy resources, (11) the impact that shifting the state's energy portfolio has on ozone nonattainment levels in Arizona; and (12) any other issue the Committee deems relevant to its investigation. The Study Committee shall submit a report of the findings to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before December 31, 2023, and December 31, 2024, containing a complete record of its findings.

MEMBERSHIP:

House Five members of the House of Representatives, not more than three from the same political party, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Oscar De Los Santos, Timothy M Dunn, Gail Griffin (Co-Chair), Austin Smith, Anastasia "Stacey" Travers

Senate Five members of the Senate, not more than three from the same political party, appointed by the President of the Senate:
Frank Carroll, Denise "Mitzi" Epstein, Jake Hoffman, Sine Kerr (Co-Chair), Priya Sundareshan

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EXPIRATION DATE: 12/31/2024

STATUTORY CITE: Ad hoc created by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives

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