

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 97-4
ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT POLICY**

WHEREAS, the state of Arizona that economic vitality, growth, and competitiveness are dependent upon a highly skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, the quality and preparedness of the state's workforce are the shared responsibility of many individuals and organizations, both public and private; and

WHEREAS, the state of Arizona has need for a coordinated and comprehensive approach to workforce development utilizing federal, state, and local resources which incorporates the state's economic development goals and strategies; and

WHEREAS, the state of Arizona recognizes that a strong workplace which is capable of attracting and sustaining quality industries and promoting economic growth is dependent upon a quality education, training, and apprenticeship system; and

WHEREAS, the state of Arizona is committed to building a workforce development system that is accountable and customer-driven; and

WHEREAS, federal law provides states the opportunity to consolidate the policy, planning, and oversight functions of federally funded education, employment, and, training programs; and

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WHEREAS, a broad, diverse set of career pathways which provide a rich set of routes to lifelong learning in places of work and education must be available to all persons wishing to explore and enter various industries, occupations, and specializations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fife Symington, Governor of the state of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the state, do hereby order:

1. In accordance with Section 701 of the Job Training and Partnership (PL 97-300, as amended), a Human Resource Investment Council is established, to be known as the Governor's Council on Workforce Development Policy, under the jurisdiction of the Governor.
2. The Council shall be composed of 21 members to be appointed by the Governor.
 - a. The Council's membership shall be comprised of a representative from the Department of Commerce, a representative from the Department of Economic Security, a representative from the State Board of Education, a representative from the Intertribal Council of Arizona, a representative from the Arizona House of Representatives, a representative from the Arizona Senate, a representative from the Arizona Board of Regents, a representative from a public To Work Local Partnership, a representative from a rural school district/School To Work Local Partnership, three representatives from labor, a representative from a Community-based Organization, and 6 representatives from business and industry representing the GSPED clusters/Private Industry Councils.
 - b. Members shall initially serve for staggered terms of 1, 2, and 3 years. Upon expiration of the initial terms, appointments shall be for 3-year terms. Initial appointments of representatives of business and industry and organized labor shall be for a minimum of 2 years.
 - c. Members may not send designees to represent them at Council meetings. Members who miss 3 or more meetings are subject to replacement on the Council.
 - d. The Chair of the Council shall be appointed by the Governor.
 - e. The 3 members from labor and 3 employer members from business and industry shall carry out the duties and functions required of a state apprenticeship council.
3. The Council shall advise the Governor on all matters of workforce development and School to Work strategy and policy for the state of Arizona. In this capacity, the Council:
 - a. Shall review the provision of services and the use of funds and resources under applicable federal human resource programs and advise the Governor on methods of coordinating such provisions of services and use of funds and resources consistent with the laws and regulations governing such programs;
 - b. Shall advise the Governor on the development and implementation of state and local standards and measures relating to applicable federal human resource programs and coordination of such standards and measures.
 - c. Shall carry out the duties and functions prescribed for the State Job Training Coordinating Council under PL 97-300 (Job Training Partnership Act):
 - d. Shall prepare a comprehensive statewide workforce development strategic plan for the Governor which:
 - i. Identifies the human investment needs in the state and recommends goals for meeting such needs;
 - ii. Establishes goals for the development and coordination of education, training, and employment systems;
 - iii. Evaluates progress towards meeting the goals;
 - iv. Identifies the need for waivers of regulatory provisions or other administrative changes which are necessary to achieve the goals of the strategic plan
 - v. Identifies the need for statutory changes or new legislation at the federal or state level necessary to achieve the goals of the strategic plan;
 - vi. Identifies opportunities to coordinate, collaborate, and consolidate economic development, workforce development and education initiatives, including but not limited to Unemployment Insurance Profiling, the One-stop Career Center System, welfare reform, the Job Opportunities and Basic Skills (JOBS) and Supportive Services State Plan, the Stewart B

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McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Educate America Elementary and Secondary Schools Act, the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act, the National Literacy Act, the Adult Education Act, the Emergency Immigration Education Act of 1984, the National and Community Services Act of 1990, the Wagner-Peyser Act, the School to Work Opportunities Act of 1993, and the Arizona Work Force Recruitment and Job Training Program.

- e. Shall ensure the goals and activities identified in the strategic plan are aligned and support the Governor's Strategic Partnership for Economic Development (GSPED);
- f. Shall actively support policies and initiatives that sustain the well-being, longevity, and adoption of Arizona's School to Work System;
- g. Shall actively promote policies and initiatives which strengthen GSPED and support its expansion statewide, especially in the rural areas;

- 4. Plans and decisions by the Council shall be subject to approval by the Governor.
- 5. The Council shall be reviewed no later than December 31, 2000, to determine appropriate action for its continuance, modification, or termination.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

FIFE SYMINGTON
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this Twenty-second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven and of the Independence of the United States the two hundred and twenty-first.

ATTEST:

JANE DEE HULL
SECRETARY OF STATE