



More Harm Headed to the Ballot from the Legislature!



Rep. Myron Tsosie explains his vote against HCR2060. Sadly, the Speaker closed the House Gallery, so we all had to watch on TV in hearing rooms and the hallway. He said he did so because people made some noise in the Senate gallery when the measure was considered. Apparently, the Legislature will shut people out, quite literally, if they do not agree with what people are saying.

June 7, 2024

Hi all!

The Arizona House of Representatives was back at the Capitol on Tuesday and, unfortunately, voted out [HCR2060 Now: border; benefits; fentanyl; illegal entry](#) along party

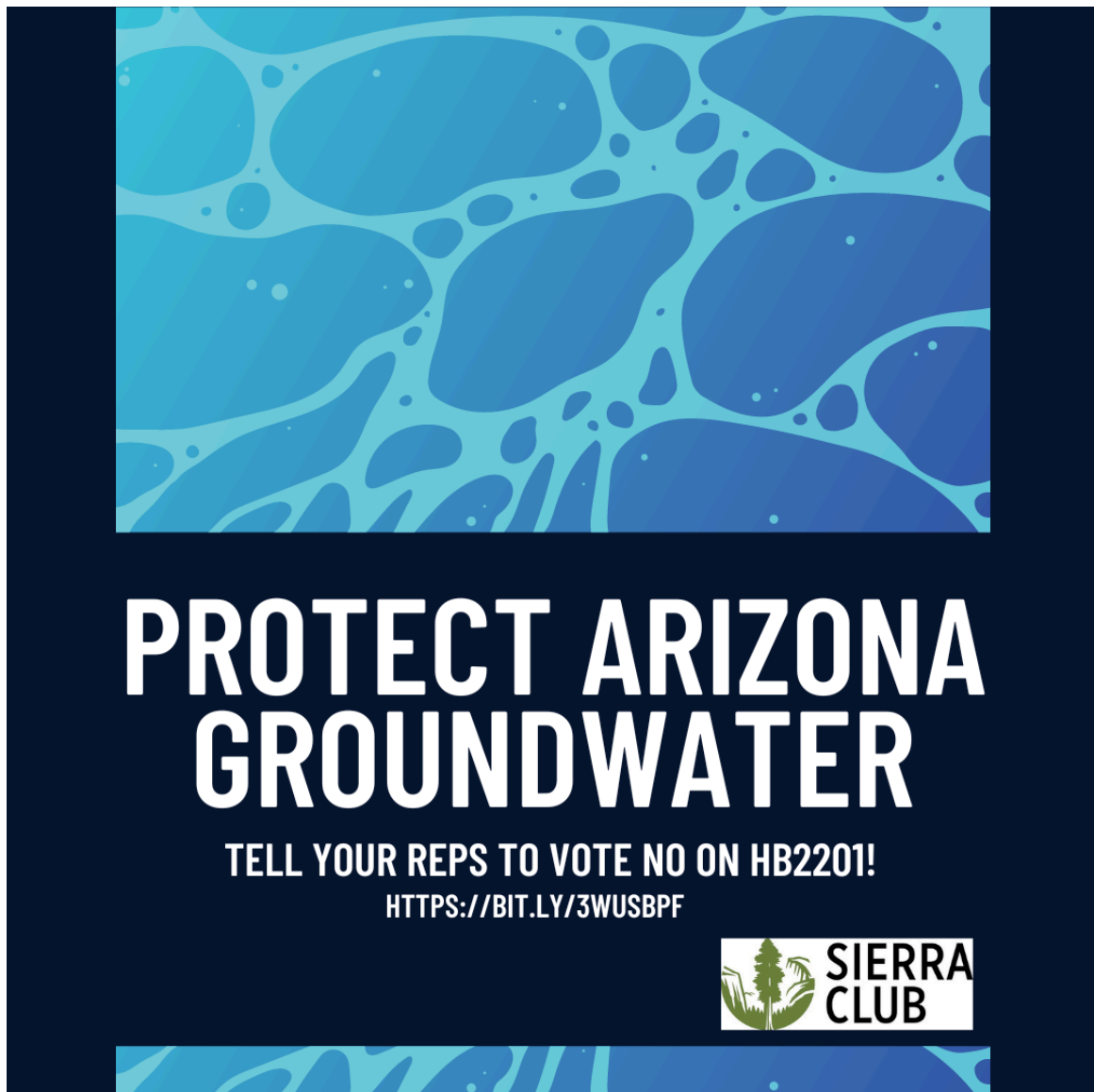
lines, 31-29. It will now be on the ballot for this fall, unless the constitutional challenge to it is successful. LUCHA is suing because the measure includes more than one subject and that is prohibited by the Arizona Constitution. This referral will make it easier for law enforcement to engage in racial profiling and to investigate and detain suspected undocumented individuals. It is very likely unconstitutional, would cost the state a lot, and, of course, is inhumane, seeking to criminalize people for seeking opportunities and reuniting with their families.

The House also voted out a bad water bill, SB1081, intended to continue the status quo relative to development and address only one part of one community, Buckeye. So much for comprehensive water legislation to help all communities. The good news, however, is that the House backed off on passing a bigger worse water bill. Still, that could be back, so we ask that you continue to ask them to oppose HB2201. See below for more on that.

The Senate and House will be back on June 12th and we fully expect the Senate to consider HCR2056, which will hinder early voting, especially for those in rural areas and Tribal communities.

[Ask your Senator to vote NO on HCR2056!](#)


We have also heard that the Arizona Legislature may vote out a budget next week. Stay tuned on that. They do need to pass a budget by June 30 or risk shut down of important state services.



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GROUNDWATER**

TELL YOUR REPS TO VOTE NO ON HB2201!

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As we noted last week, [HB2201 water; transportation; turf; land divisions](#) is a Christmas tree of bad water provisions written by and for developers, land speculators, hedge funds, private water companies, and two places that do not have assured water supplies for development -- Buckeye and Queen Creek. They want the rules changed to get around the groundwater modeling that demonstrates that they do not have enough water and also to create big exemptions to the assured water supply program, so they can keep building the same old sprawl development.

While they may pare it back a bit, the bill is still bad and should be rejected.

Please take action below and tell your Representatives to vote no on HB2201!

Take Action to Protect Ground Water!

You can see more bills we are tracking [here](#).

You can find contact information for all legislators [here](#).

For more information on these and other bills, reach out to Sandy Bahr at sandy.bahr@sierraclub.org.

Thank you for your continued actions on important legislation!

All the best,



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Coming Up at the Legislature Next Week!



Tuesday, June 11th

Senate Transportation, Technology, & Missing Children Committee at 2:00 PM in SHR2
[Members of the public may access a livestream of the meeting here.](#)

6/7/24, 8:08 AM

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