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Jon and my suggestions on this one.

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### **STATE ISSUES**

#### **MEXICAN PRESIDENT VINCENTE FOX**

Earlier this month, Mexican President Vicente Fox toured Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas. His trip involved high-level immigration and trade talks with political and business leaders, and meetings with members of Mexican-American communities.

#### **FOREST HEALTH**

Last week, Governor Janet Napolitano said she supports the U.S. Senate version of the forest-thinning bill. The bill would back the widespread thinning of small trees and brush to reduce fuel for wildfires. The Governor has received pressure from Congressmen J.D. Hayworth (R, AZ-05) and Jeff Flake (R, AZ-06) to influence her party cohorts in Congress to help pass the measure.

#### **UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRATION**

Arizona is emerging as a battleground for illegal immigration issues. Senator McCain, Congressman Flake, and Congressman Jim Kolbe (R, AZ-08) have introduced the

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Border Security and Immigration Improvement Act. The bill would allow millions of foreigners, including undocumented immigrants already in the United States, to live and work in this country with temporary visas and would grant permanent residency to undocumented workers who have been here for several years.

At the other end of the spectrum, a grass-roots group backed by two Republican State lawmakers has launched Protect Arizona Now. Their initiative would ban spending State and local tax money on undocumented immigrants and would require State and local governments to verify the legal status of anyone seeking public services and turn over undocumented immigrants to immigration officials.

Arizona's congressional delegation and the Arizona Republican Party oppose Protect Arizona Now. Supporters of the measure need to collect 122,612 signatures to place the issue on the 2004 ballot. A November poll of registered voters revealed that 59 percent of Arizonans support a guest-worker program to deal with illegal immigration and 28 percent were opposed.<sup>5</sup>

### **Undocumented Deaths**

As of September 30, the undocumented-immigrant death toll reached 151, making this year the deadliest in Arizona. In the previous fiscal year, 145 immigrant deaths were reported in the State.

### **Undocumented Driver's License**

Earlier this year, Congressman Flake introduced a bill that would limit the abilities of states to give driver's licenses to undocumented immigrants. This measure would bar Federal agencies from accepting state driver's licenses as valid ID unless the state has stringent identification requirements. The bill also requires states that issue licenses to foreigners to have those licenses expire at the end of that individual's authorized stay in the United States.

## **ELECTION FUNDING AMENDMENT**

On September 2, a group called "No Taxpayer Money for Politicians" filed an initiative for the 2004 ballot that would amend the Arizona Constitution to ban the use of Clean Elections money to fund politicians' campaigns. Instead, taxpayer dollars used for political races would be used to fund public education and health care for seniors.

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In 2002, the Clean Elections system distributed \$13 million in public money to hundreds of statewide and legislative candidates. Clean Elections supporters are confident Arizona will continue to support publicly financed elections and point to increased voter turnout and more Hispanic and female candidates as successes. Many candidates took advantage of the law during the 2002 elections, including 30 of 39 statewide candidates and 110 of 221 legislative candidates.

### **STATISTICS**

#### **2000 General Election Results** **(Presidential):**

	<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>% Won</b>
<b>Bush</b>	781,652	51%
<b>Gore</b>	685,341	45%
<b>Nader</b>	45,645	3%
<b>Other</b>	19,268	1%

#### **1996 General Election Results** **(Presidential):**

	<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>% Won</b>
<b>Clinton</b>	653,288	47%
<b>Dole</b>	622,073	44%
<b>Perot</b>	112,074	8%

### **CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION**

**Note:** Arizona gained two Congressional seats due to reapportionment.

#### **U.S. SENATE:**

- Senator John McCain (R), 3<sup>rd</sup> term, re-elected in 1998 with 69%
- Senator John Kyl (R), 2<sup>nd</sup> term, re-elected in 2000 with 79%

#### **U.S. HOUSE: 8 total (6R, 2D)**

- Rick Renzi (R-01), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected with 49%
- Trent Franks (R-02), 1<sup>st</sup> term elected with 60%
- John Shadegg (R-03), 5<sup>th</sup> term, re-elected with 67%
- Ed Pastor (D-04), 6<sup>th</sup> term, re-elected with 67%
- J.D. Hayworth (R-05), 5<sup>th</sup> term, re-elected with 61%
- Jeff Flake (R-06), 2<sup>nd</sup> term, re-elected with 66%
- Raúl Grijalva (D-07), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected with 59%
- Jim Kolbe (R-08), 10<sup>th</sup> term, re-elected with 63%

### **STATE GOVERNMENT**

Governor Janet Napolitano (D), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected in 2002 with 46%

Attorney General Terry Goddard (D), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected in 2002 with 52%

Secretary of State Janice Brewer (R), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected in 2002 with 49%

**10 ELECTORAL VOTES**  
2004 – SENATOR JOHN McCAIN (R) UP

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Treasurer David Petersen (R), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected in 2002 with 51%

Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Horne (R), 1<sup>st</sup> term, elected with 50%

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**State House:**                   **60 (39R, 20D, 1I)**  
Speaker:                         Jake Flake (R)  
Majority Leader:               Eddie Farnsworth (R)  
Minority Leader:               John Loredó (D)

**State Senate:**               **30 (17R, 13D)**  
President:                        Ken Bennett (R)  
Majority Leader:               Timothy Bee (R)  
Minority Leader:               Jack Brown (D)

### **STATE PARTY**

Chairman:                        Bob Fannin  
Committeeman:                 Mike Hellon  
Committeewoman:               Bernice Roberts

### **STATE DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE**

**Population 2000:** 5,130,632, up 40% from 1990  
**Race/Ethnicity:** 63.8% White, 25.3% Hispanic, 4.5% American-Indian,  
3.1% African-American, 1.8% Asian  
**Median Household Income:** \$40,558  
**College Educated:** 23.5%  
**Median Age:** 34.2 years (13% are over the age of 65)  
**Households:** 52% married, 23% married couple families with children  
*(Source: 2000 U.S. Census)*

### **YOUR PREVIOUS TRAVEL**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
Briefing on the Aspen Fire and Remarks on the Healthy Forest Initiative	August 11, 2003	Coronado Nat'l Forest
Arizona Welcome	October 27, 2002	Phoenix
Arizona Welcome and Photo Op; and Remarks at Rick Renzi and Matt Salmon Fundraiser	September 27, 2002	Phoenix
Flyover of Rodeo-Chediski Fire; and Remarks to Evacuated Families	June 25, 2002	Show Low Eagar
Champlin Fighter Aircraft Museum	May 28, 2001	Mesa

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### THE VICE PRESIDENT'S PREVIOUS TRAVEL

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
Fundraiser for Rick Renzi and Arizona Victory 2002	October 14, 2002	Phoenix

<sup>1</sup> KAET-TV/Channel 8 and the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Arizona State University poll; conducted November 14-17, 2003; surveyed 409 registered voters; +/-4.9% margin of error.

<sup>2</sup> A Behavior Research Center Poll; conducted October 9-16, 2003; surveyed 205 likely Democratic voters; +/- 7% margin of error.

<sup>3</sup> A Behavior Research Center Poll; conducted September 23-25, 2003; surveyed 500 Latino adults; +/- 4.4% margin of error.

<sup>4</sup> A Behavior Research Center Poll; conducted October 9-16; surveyed 701 adults; +/- 3.7% margin of error.

<sup>5</sup> KAET-TV Poll; conducted November 14-17, 2003; surveyed 409 registered voters; +/- 4.9% margin of error.