

At the start of 2008, in her annual State of the State address, Governor Napolitano presented a comprehensive set of proposals to guide Arizona through this legislative session and keep the state's forward momentum energized. The agenda has been a success.

The Governor's recommendations fell into five major categories: Education, Economic Prosperity, Public Safety, Transportation and Growth, and Health Care.

Education

<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Results</u>
Math and Science Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>\$2.5 million in additional funding for math and science achievement grants.</i>
Increase the number of Bachelor's degrees and stimulate the economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>\$1 billion university economic stimulus package that will boost the economy two ways: allowing near-term construction at state universities and, long-term, increase the number of qualified graduates in the Arizona job market.</i>
Centennial Scholars	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Using existing funds, the Arizona Board of Regents will begin this program for the next school year.</i>
Voluntary full-day kindergarten	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>VFDK continues in Arizona, and, for the first time, the budget includes capital funding for Kindergarten classrooms.</i>

Economic Prosperity

Biomedical Campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The university economic stimulus package contains \$470 million to complete the Phoenix biomedical campus.</i>
Homebuyer's Bill of Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The HBOR Web site has received more than 27,000 hits since its start in January '08.</i>

Loan Officer Licensure

- *Enacted as part of the FY 2009 budget.*

University Economic Stimulus Package

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Improved infrastructure at international ports of entry

- *A 15-year planning strategy for updating Arizona's POEs has been created.*

Public Safety

Immigration: enact "fixes" to the employer sanctions law

- *HB 2745 has been signed into law.*

CPS reforms

- *The Governor signed four bills that will make CPS operations more transparent.*

CPS workers

- *The FY 09 budget includes more than \$5 million for 80+ new CPS workers.*

Redirection of substance abuse treatment dollars to CPS clients

- *All state agencies must submit by June 30 their actions taken to reprioritize substance abuse dollars so treatment goes first to CPS families.*
- *Beginning in July 08, contracts with the RHBA's will reflect CPS treatment prioritization.*

Focus law enforcement to attack smuggling drop houses

- *HB 2842 authorized tools that allow law enforcement to better target drop houses.*
- *Since January, DPS gang enforcement units have located more than 40 drop houses and arrested nearly 100 smugglers.*

Arizona Counter Terrorism Intelligence Center (ACTIC)

- *Threatened by lack of resources, the final budget includes funds to keep ACTIC working at full speed.*

“3 in 1” enhanced Arizona driver’s license

- *Plans are in place to re-introduce the “3-in-1” legislation next year; in the meantime, design work continues.*

Immigration: sustain pressure on street gangs and criminal organizations that smuggle drugs and human beings

Ongoing initiatives include:

- *GIITEM AND IIMPACT task forces*
- *Terrorism Liaison Program (TLO)*
- *Cross-training of DPS officers (287g)*
- *Border Enforcement Security Taskforce*
- *License Plate Readers*
- *Damming warrants*

Transportation and Growth

Send a Statewide Transportation Plan to the Ballot

- *The TIME initiative is on track to be filed in time to appear on the November ballot.*

Send State Trust Land Reform to the Ballot

- *The “Conserving Arizona’s Land & Water” initiative is on track to be filed in time to appear on the November ballot.*

Health Care

Expand Insurance Coverage for Young Adults

- *Administrative rule that would allow state employees to continue to cover young adult children at cost is pending approval.*

Health Care Professionals in Underserved Areas

- *\$500,000 in additional funds for this program.*

Veterans Benefit Counselors

- *Nine more counselors will be added by the end of the year, for a total of 45 located across the state.*