

## AZ Children's Action Alliance AZ Legislative Update 2022

Bill Number and Title: HB 2084 Kinship Care; Fingerprint Requirement Waiver

**Sponsored by:** Representative Joann Osborne

Bill Status: This bill passed out of both chambers and was signed by the Governor on

March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Bill Number and Title: HB 2111 and HB 2441 Appropriation; Healthy Families Program

Sponsored by: Representative Walt Blackman and Representative Pamela Powers Hannley

Bill Status: Signed and enacted.

Children's Action Alliance

# Continued...

Bill Number and Title: HB 2274 and SB 1530 Appropriation; Stipend; Kinship Care

**Sponsored by**: Representative Jeff Weninger and Senator Lela Alston

Bill Status: Signed/enacted

Bill Number and Title: HB2551 Children's Health Insurance Program; Redetermination

**Sponsored by:** Representative Regina Cobb

Bill Status: Signed and enacted

Bill Number and Title: HB2622 YATI; Eligibility; AHCCCS

**Sponsored by**: Representative Walt Blackman

Bill Status: Signed/enacted

Children's Action Alliance

#### Federal Update-

- Inflation Reduction Act- addresses climate change, high cost of prescription drugs, tax items; Child Care and Education not included
- What's Next: Child Tax Credits:
  - Child Tax Credit plan in an end of year package
  - Family Security Act 2.0- Senator Romney

## What Advocates can do now...

Advocates can reach out to their congressional offices to remind members:

How helpful and impactful the ARPA CTC was for families and children.

How costs are rising, and getting monthly CTC payment in the hands of families helps parents to afford the important things to care for their children.

Urge Congress not to pass tax breaks for businesses unless they also support children/families.

Don't move forward on the problematic pieces of the Family Security Act 2.0

Children's Action Alliance

# Thank you!

Kylie Barber, MLS, MJ, MS
Early Childhood Policy Director
Children's Action Alliance

