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State of Arizona  
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First Regular Session  
2025

## **HB 2702**

Introduced by  
Representatives Kolodin: Nguyen

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-3025.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE  
ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 41-3025.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended  
3 to read:

4 41-3025.01. Arizona criminal justice commission; termination  
5 December 31, 2025

6 A. The Arizona criminal justice commission terminates on ~~July 1~~  
7 **DECEMBER 31**, 2025.

8 B. Sections 41-2404 and 41-2405 and this section are repealed on  
9 ~~January~~ **JULY 1**, 2026.

10 Sec. 2. Purpose

11 Pursuant to section 41-2955, subsection B, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
12 the legislature continues the Arizona criminal justice commission to  
13 provide a cooperative exchange of information and analysis of issues  
14 relating to criminal justice and law enforcement among different public  
15 and private agencies.

16 Sec. 3. Legislative findings

17 A. The legislature finds that:

18 1. The legislature first established the Arizona criminal justice  
19 commission in 1982. Among other duties, the Arizona criminal justice  
20 commission is statutorily responsible for monitoring the progress and  
21 implementation of new and continuing criminal justice legislation,  
22 facilitating research among criminal justice agencies and helping the  
23 legislature make data driven criminal justice policy.

24 2. Unfortunately, the current operations and practices of the  
25 Arizona criminal justice commission have not aligned with and are  
26 contradictory to the legislative purposes underlying the legislature's  
27 creation of the Arizona criminal justice commission, jeopardizing the  
28 constitutional rights and civil liberties that every Arizonan deserves  
29 under the United States Constitution and Constitution of Arizona.

30 3. The Arizona criminal justice commission has lobbied, using  
31 taxpayer money, for surveillance and data collection practices on citizens  
32 that have not committed any crimes and the Arizona criminal justice  
33 commission has further lobbied for the creation of a database targeting  
34 lawful concealed carry weapon permit holders. This type of activity  
35 undermines the foundational principles of privacy rights, due process and  
36 the presumption of innocence, among others. Law enforcement agencies in  
37 this state widely oppose these data collection mandates, as well as the  
38 requirement that such information be provided for inclusion in a statewide  
39 database.

40 4. It is troubling that taxpayer dollars are being used for  
41 intrusive and ultra vires lobbying efforts. State resources cannot be  
42 diverted to lobbying activities that contradict both the legislature's  
43 mission and the criminal justice system in Arizona. The misuse of state  
44 monies for lobbying activities burdens taxpayers and creates the potential  
45 for the expansion of government power that could further jeopardize

1 individual liberties and freedoms. Such unchecked governmental oversight  
2 expands the power of the state and is a threat to freedom.

3 5. The chairperson of the Arizona criminal justice commission is  
4 responsible for the creation of the judiciary's task force on countering  
5 disinformation, part of a nationwide censorship apparatus that spied on  
6 and suppressed the voices of the people of Arizona.

7 B. Based on these findings, the legislature deems it necessary to  
8 terminate the Arizona criminal justice commission immediately on its  
9 sunset date in order to fulfill its sworn duty to preserve, protect and  
10 defend the constitutions of the United States and of this state, from all  
11 enemies foreign and domestic.

12 Sec. 4. Conforming legislation

13 The legislative council staff shall prepare proposed legislation  
14 conforming the Arizona Revised Statutes to the provisions of this act for  
15 consideration in the fifty-seventh legislature, second regular session.

16 Sec. 5. Retroactivity

17 Section 1 of this act applies retroactively to from and after  
18 July 1, 2025.