

Governor

Gov. Katie Hobbs (D) seeks a second term against Rep. Andy Biggs (R). Green and No Labels nominees are also on the ballot.

Andy Biggs

REPUBLICAN · CHALLENGER

U.S. Representative for Arizona's 5th District since 2017.

Katie Hobbs

DEMOCRAT · INCUMBENT

Governor of Arizona since 2023.

Where the candidates stand on the issues Pope Leo XIV has raised, in their own words and votes. Bracketed numbers link to sources. We do not rate, score, or endorse candidates.

WAR & PEACE

POPE LEO XIV *Leo invited citizens of every country involved in the war with Iran to contact their leaders and members of Congress “to work for peace and to reject war and violence.”* [Remarks at Castel Gandolfo, Apr. 7, 2026 \(Vatican News via The Good Newsroom\)](#)

ANDY BIGGS

Voted against House measures limiting the president's Iran war powers but said in Sept. 2026, “I don't support the war, per se.”

Voted against 2024 aid for Ukraine and Israel.

[1] KOLD: Rep. Biggs votes against limiting Trump's war powers in Iran (June 2026)

[2] AZFamily: Biggs breaks with Trump over Iran (Sept. 2026)

[3] House Roll Call 151: Ukraine aid (H.R. 8035), April 20, 2024

[4] House Roll Call 152: Israel aid (H.R. 8034), April 20, 2024

VOTING RECORD

Iran war powers resolutions, Mar.–Sept. 2026 (six House votes): **No** Mar., Apr., May, June, July, Sept.

No Ukraine Support Act (H.R. 2913), June 2026 — authorizes support for Ukraine

KATIE HOBBS

No public position found.

AI & THE DIGNITY OF WORK

POPE LEO XIV *“No one can be reduced to productivity, to cognitive performance, or to mere data.”* [Magnifica Humanitas presentation, May 25, 2026](#)

ANDY BIGGS

Would “end state incentives for data centers” and set water and energy standards for them; pledges to repeal “job-killing regulations.”

[1] [Biggs for Arizona: Issues](#)

VOTING RECORD

No Protect America's Workforce Act (H.R. 2550), Dec. 2025 — nullifies the executive order ending union bargaining for many federal workers

No Faster Labor Contracts Act (H.R. 5408), June 2026 — sets deadlines for reaching first union contracts

KATIE HOBBS

Her campaign cites expanding apprenticeships and career training so more Arizonans can get good-paying jobs that don't require a four-year degree.

[1] [Katie Hobbs campaign: Meet Katie](#)

THE POOR & THE SAFETY NET

POPE LEO XIV *The preferential choice for the poor is “a source of extraordinary renewal both for the Church and for society.”* [Dilexi Te, Oct. 4, 2025](#)

ANDY BIGGS

Voted for the 2025 reconciliation law, which changed Medicaid; would limit soda and junk-food purchases with SNAP benefits and says rooting out Medicaid fraud would help fund eliminating the state income tax.

- [1] House Roll Call 190: H.R. 1 (One Big Beautiful Bill Act), July 3, 2025
- [2] Biggs for Arizona: Issues
- [3] MultiState: Arizona 2026 governor race

VOTING RECORD

Yes One Big Beautiful Bill Act (H.R. 1), final passage July 2025 — tax cuts with Medicaid and SNAP changes

No Breaking the Gridlock Act (H.R. 1834), Jan. 2026 — extends enhanced ACA premium tax credits through 2028

KATIE HOBBS

Has canceled medical debt for hundreds of thousands of Arizonans and calls Trump-era Medicaid and food-assistance cuts a strain on families; touts a \$1.4 billion tax cut including no tax on tips and overtime.

- [1] AZFamily: What separates Hobbs and Biggs? (Sept. 2026)
- [2] Katie Hobbs campaign: Meet Katie

RECORD IN OFFICE

Yes HB 2010 (2013, special session), health and welfare budget reconciliation expanding AHCCCS Medicaid (state Senate vote)

LIFE OF THE UNBORN

POPE LEO XIV *Abortion “cuts short a growing life and refuses to welcome the gift of life.”* [Address to the Diplomatic Corps, Jan. 9, 2026](#)

ANDY BIGGS

Voted for the 2025 Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. OnTheIssues lists him as supporting extending 14th Amendment protection to unborn children.

- [1] House Roll Call 27: Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, Jan. 23, 2025
- [2] OnTheIssues: Andy Biggs VoteMatch

VOTING RECORD

Yes Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (H.R. 21), Jan. 2025 — requires care for infants born alive after an attempted abortion

Yes Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act (H.R. 6945), Jan. 2026 — lets states use TANF funds for pregnancy centers

KATIE HOBBS

Signed the 2024 repeal of Arizona’s 1864 near-total abortion ban; her campaign also cites making birth control available over the counter and protecting women and doctors from prosecution.

- [1] Katie Hobbs campaign: Meet Katie

RECORD IN OFFICE

Signed HB 2677 (2024), repealing the 1864 abortion ban

THE DEATH PENALTY

POPE LEO XIV *Someone who opposes abortion but favors the death penalty “is not really pro-life.”* [AP via PBS NewsHour, Sept. 30, 2025](#)

ANDY BIGGS

No public position found.

KATIE HOBBS

No public position found.

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

POPE LEO XIV *“Defending human life also includes welcoming, protecting and assisting immigrants.”* [Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026](#)

ANDY BIGGS

Would reintroduce a state Border Strike Force and encourage state and local participation in the federal 287(g) program to assist federal enforcement. Voted for the Laken Riley Act.

- [1] Biggs for Arizona: Issues
- [2] House Roll Call 23: Laken Riley Act, Jan. 22, 2025

VOTING RECORD

Yes Laken Riley Act (S. 5), Jan. 2025 — requires detention of undocumented immigrants charged with theft and certain crimes

Yes Secure America Act (S. 2), June 2026 — reconciliation funding for ICE and Customs and Border Protection

No Haiti TPS bill (H.R. 1689), Apr. 2026 — requires temporary protected status for Haitians

KATIE HOBBS

Created a state Border Coordination Office, deployed the National Guard to the border and launched Task Force SAFE; her campaign cites more than \$100 million in border security funding for local law enforcement.

- [1] Katie Hobbs campaign: Meet Katie

RECORD IN OFFICE

Vetoed SB 1231 (2024), creating a state crime for illegal border crossings

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & EDUCATION

POPE LEO XIV *Religious freedom is “the right of every person to worship according to conscience.”* [Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States](#), June 25, 2026

ANDY BIGGS

Pledges to “protect Empowerment Scholarship Accounts so families can choose” and to opt Arizona into the federal education tax-credit scholarship program.

[\[1\] Biggs for Arizona: Issues](#)

VOTING RECORD

Yes One Big Beautiful Bill Act (H.R. 1), July 2025 — created a federal tax credit for donations to K–12 scholarship organizations

KATIE HOBBS

No campaign statement found. See voting record below.

RECORD IN OFFICE

No SB 1431 (2017), phased expansion of Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (state Senate vote)

CARE FOR CREATION

POPE LEO XIV *“We cannot love God, whom we cannot see, while despising his creatures.”* [AP](#), Oct. 1, 2025

ANDY BIGGS

Pledges to “fight for every drop” of Arizona’s Colorado River allocation and expand reliable energy, including nuclear. Voted for the 2023 Lower Energy Costs Act and against the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act.

[\[1\] Biggs for Arizona: Issues](#)

[\[2\] House Roll Call 182: Lower Energy Costs Act, March 30, 2023](#)

[\[3\] House Roll Call 420: Inflation Reduction Act, Aug. 12, 2022](#)

VOTING RECORD

Yes Resolution overturning EPA approval of California vehicle-emission rules (H.J.Res. 87), Apr. 2025

Yes Homeowner Energy Freedom Act (H.R. 4758), Feb. 2026 — repeals home-electrification rebates from the 2022 climate law

KATIE HOBBS

Backed water legislation her campaign calls the most consequential since the 1980 Groundwater Management Act, and ended a foreign company’s groundwater leases.

[\[1\] Katie Hobbs campaign: Meet Katie](#)

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