Phoenix Chapter of NFB Presentation at SAAVI

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<http://aset.azdoa.gov/sites/default/files/media/docs/P130%20Web%20Site%20Accessibility%20Policy.pdf> .

1. Federal law section 508 web site accessibility does not apply to the state of Arizona? True or False

Arizona adopted section 508 as its rule of law when it signed A.R.S. 41-3532 into law.

A. “In order to improve accessibility of future electronic or information technology and increase the successful employment and access to government services for individuals with disabilities, particularly blind and visually impaired and deaf and hard-of-hearing persons, a budget unit, in developing, procuring, maintaining or using electronic or information technology through the use of state monies, shall ensure that the electronic or information technology provides comparable access to individuals with disabilities in accordance with the accessibility standards adopted under section 508 of the rehabilitation act of 1973 (29 United States Code section 794d) unless doing so would impose an undue burden on the budget unit.“ and adopted policy 130 effective September 12, 2008.

1. Only state department or budget units of the state of Arizona must comply with web site accessibility law? True or False

A.R.S. 41-3532 B. “The budget unit that contracts with a vendor that provides these products or services is subject to this article for the provision of electronic or information technology or for the provision of related services and shall agree to respond to and make a good faith effort to resolve any complaint regarding accessibility.”

3. There is a department within the state of Arizona responsible for a coordinated statewide plan for all web site accessibility? True or False

Policy 130: The Arizona Department of Administration – Arizona Strategic Enterprise Technology Office (ADOA-ASET) shall develop, implement and maintain a coordinated statewide plan for information technology (A.R.S. §41-3504(A (1), including, adopting statewide technical, coordination, and IT policy and standards (A.R.S. § 41-3504(A (1(a).

4. Arizona is not required to have a state wide complaint policy? True or False

A.R.S. 41-3532 b. “The department of administration (Arizona Strategic Enterprise Technology Office (ADOA-ASET) shall establish a complaint procedure for all budget units, except the Supreme Court shall establish a complaint procedure for the courts. The complaint procedures for the department of administration and the supreme court shall be consistent with section 508 of the rehabilitation act of 1973 to be used by an individual with a disability who alleges that a budget unit failed to comply with this article.”

5. If section 508 web site accessibility is upgraded or improved the state of Arizona does not have to change their laws before adopting these new changes? True or False

A.R.S. 41-3532 C. “The department of administration (Arizona Strategic Enterprise Technology Office (ADOA-ASET) shall adopt rules that are necessary to implement this article and revise those rules as necessary based on any amendments to section 508 of the rehabilitation act of 1973, including an undue burden process that is consistent with the section 508 federal acquisition regulation provisions.”

1. Arizona has only recently adopted web site accessibility laws and policy? True or False

The rule making for policy 130 was started Oct. 1, 2004 and was finished Sep.18, 2008. It’s been more than 8 years.

1. There is an easy way to check a web site to see if it meets federal and state accessibility guideline? True or false

Please take the time to open the WAVE accessibility tool website (<http://wave.webaim.org/>), than copy/paste a budget unit web address into the edit field and click on the forward arrow button. A new web page will open and a display will show you all of the details about that website meeting or not meeting section 508 guidelines. In the event you would like to get a second opinion, I have provided you with a link that will take you to ten more web-checkers. (<http://usabilitygeek.com/10-free-web-based-web-site-accessibility-evaluation-tools/>)

1. There is no one held responsible if Arizona web site does not meet accessibility standards? True or false

Policy 130: The Budget Unit Chief Executive Officer (CEO), working in conjunction with the Budget Unit Chief Information Officer (CIO), shall be responsible for ensuring the effective implementation of Statewide Information Technology PSPs within each Agency.

Goals:

Ensure all 17 features in section 508 are embedded

State wide complaint procedure is in place

The department of administration (Arizona Strategic Enterprise Technology Office is enforcing state accessibility laws).