



Patagonia Area Resource Alliance

What is RTS?

Request To Speak is an effective tool for Arizonans to voice their stance on bills. It is an electronic system and it is designed to collect public input, that then gets transmitted to all the legislators.

How does your input help?

- 1) Your stance becomes part of the bill's record.
- 2) Your comment, if you should decide to leave one, becomes part of the bill's record.
- 3) The record will show the number of constituents who approve or oppose.
- 4) Committee members can then use that public information to prove a point, leaving a critic unable to deny the people's position.

Who can use the RTS?

Citizens of Arizona may use the RTS system. You do not need to be registered to vote.

When should you use it?

The time to use RTS is when you see a bill that you support or oppose.

How do you use RTS?

Once registered, you will enter the bill number. A screen with a thumbs up or thumbs down will appear. A few other options will also appear such as a space for comment, and an area where you may ask to address the legislators.

Does Request To Speak mean you have to speak?

NO! It certainly does NOT mean you have to speak in a committee hearing or attend the hearing if you do not wish to do so.

How do you get on RTS?

If you are signing up for a new account, you must go to the Capitol or state offices in Tucson in-person to verify your account information.

Go to <https://apps.azleg.gov/Account/SignOn?ReturnUrl=%2f>

1. Click “Create An Account”
2. Input your information in the required fields
3. Submit to create your account
4. Save your sign in information for future reference
5. Verify your account in person at the Arizona State Capitol or state offices in Tucson.

Is there an easier way?

Yes! The easiest way of getting signed up for RTS is going through the group [Civic Engagement Beyond Voting](#). They assist new users to register and train people on its use. They have volunteers who will go in person to sign you up.

Please make RTS a priority as our State elected officials need to hear from all of us about critical legislation.