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**HB 2088 (Chapter 330): schools; assessments; surveys; informed consent**

Prohibits public schools from administering surveys soliciting specified personal information without obtaining written informed consent from parents and prescribes exemptions and a process for violations. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2190 (Chapter 331): education omnibus**

Repeals and modifies various education statutes. Permits students who fail Move on When Reading requirements to be promoted if intervention and remedial services are received. Requires SFB to validate adjacent ways projects within 60 days for monies to be expended. Permits concurrent enrollment students to be counted towards ADM if the school has received approval (retroactive to June 30, 2010) and prohibits new approval for concurrent enrollment from being granted in FY 2017. Requires ADE to study the feasibility of a safe-to-tell program and report to the Legislature and Governor by December 15, 2016. Removes the FTSE requirement for a community college to sponsor a charter school. Permits school districts to admit the same number of J-1 visa foreign students without the payment of tuition as the number of district students participating in a foreign exchange program (retroactive to June 30, 2015). Modifies reporting requirements for the Alternative Teacher Development Program service provider (retroactive to June 30, 2014). Effective: August 6, 2016 or as otherwise specified.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2234 (Chapter 235): schools; audits; county school superintendent**

Requires a copy of school district audit reports to be sent to the applicable county school superintendent. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2294 (Chapter 87): charter schools; special education funding**

Permits charter schools to apply for grants from the Extraordinary Special Education Needs Fund. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2435 (Chapter 70): school districts; transportation repayment; extension**

Directs school districts that meet specified requirements and overstated daily route mileage to repay the amount plus interest over a three-year period and submit to annual route mileage audits if requested by ADE. Effective: March 23, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2518 (Chapter 243): regulatory exemption; school garden produce**

Exempts fruits and vegetables grown in a public school garden that are washed and cut on-site for immediate consumption from DHS food safety regulations. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2544 (Chapter 10): schools; statewide achievement assessments; menu.**

Requires SBE to adopt a menu of locally procured achievement assessments from which Local Education Agencies may select an assessment to administer rather than the statewide assessment.

Permits high schools to begin selecting an assessment from the menu in School Year 2018 and elementary schools in School Year 2019. Requires SBE to report on the progress of elementary implementation by December 15, 2017. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2548 (Chapter 249): public forums; activities; postsecondary campuses**

Prescribes penalties for a university or community college unlawfully restricting a student's right to speak. Expands the offense of *obstructing a highway or public thoroughfare* to include a person that intentionally interferes with passage on a public thoroughfare or forum and prevents persons from accessing a governmental meeting, a governmental hearing or a political campaign event. Classifies violations as a Class 1 misdemeanor. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2620 (Chapter 138): education; certification renewal fees**

Specifies the duties and powers of ADE and SBE and transfers the unprofessional misconduct investigative unit from SBE to ADE. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2653 (Chapter 245): K-3 reading program; administration**

Requires ADE rather than SBE to administer the K-3 Reading Program and permits SBE to establish rules and policies for the program. Effective: May 12, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**HB 2665 (Chapter 248): charter schools; preference; foster children**

Allows charter schools and school districts to give enrollment preference to children in foster care. Establishes the Foster Youth Education Success Program in the Governor's Office and the Foster Youth Education Success Fund. Directs the Governor's Office to establish selection criteria and minimum performance standards for service providers and instructs the selected service provider to contract with a nonprofit organization that is able to provide required programmatic components. Appropriates \$1 million in FY 2018 from the GF to the Governor's Office for the program and an additional \$500,000 in matching monies. Sunsets the program on July 1, 2026. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1137 (Chapter 216): schools; CPR instruction**

Requires public schools to provide one or more CPR training sessions that include hands-on practice to students in high school by July 1, 2019. Allows contributions to support CPR training programs to qualify for the Public School Tax Credit. Effective: retroactive to January 1, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1208 (Chapter 325): teacher certification; reciprocity**

Increases the renewal period for a standard teaching certificate to at least 8 years and prohibits more than 15 hours of annual continuing education credits from being required for renewal. Requires a standard teaching certificate to be issued without any other requirement to applicants from another state that possesses a valid certification and Fingerprint Clearance Card and are in

good standing with their former state. Exempts teachers who are not being certified to teach in a sheltered or structured English immersion model from SEI endorsement requirements and requires only teachers to pass United States and Arizona Constitution examination requirements. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1219 (Chapter 110): extracurricular and athletic activities; accessories**

Restricts school district governing boards, charter schools and interscholastic athletic associations from prohibiting students from wearing religious or cultural accessories or hair pieces while participating in extracurricular or athletic activities if health and safety are not jeopardized. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1239 (Chapter 218): schools; state seal of biliteracy**

Requires the SPI to establish the State Seal of Biliteracy Program to recognize students who have attained a high level of proficiency in one or more languages. Directs SBE to adopt a list of assessments to determine a student's proficiency in a language other than English and directs participating schools to award a diploma with the seal affixed to students that successfully complete requirements. Sunsets the program on July 1, 2026. Effective: May 12, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1249 (Chapter 220): budget; unification; school districts**

Extends, until June 30, 2020, the authority for a common school district outside of a high school district that was authorized to establish a unified district to continue calculating its budget as a common school district outside of a high school until a high school is constructed. Effective: retroactive to June 29, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1280 (Chapter 353): empowerment scholarship accounts; eligibility; administration**

Modifies and expands ESA eligibility, including expanding eligibility to the student of a parent who is legally blind, deaf or hard of hearing and outlines eligibility requirements for AOI students. Expands qualified services for ESA expenditures, permits ADE to refer cases of misuse to the AG, requires applications to be accepted year-round and directs ADE to enroll and issue an award letter to eligible applicants within 45 days. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1376 (Chapter 225): school districts; consolidation; letter grades**

Permits *A* or *B* school districts to consolidate to include another school district within 20 miles. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1430 (Chapter 226): schools; achievement profiles; improvement plans**

Revises the methodology for annual achievement profiles and replaces the definitions for *A-F* letter grades. Permits ADE to release data for School Year 2017 based on assessments conducted in School Year 2016 and allows schools to publish letter grades. Requires ADE to publish letter

grades in School Year 2018 using School Year 2017 data. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1457 (Chapter 112): eligibility; empowerment scholarships; health insurance**

Establishes procedures to allow ESA students identified as having a disability to continue to receiving monies until the age of 22. Establishes the Annual Education Plan Development Council in ADE to develop the eligibility criteria and repeals the Council on January 1, 2017. Eliminates the Children's Health Insurance Program enrollment cap and requires AHCCCS to submit a state plan amendment to resume enrollment and project the enrollment rate for federal FYs 2016 and 2017. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1502 (Chapter 229): CTE instructors; specialized teaching certificates**

Directs SBE to issue specialized Career and Technical Education standard teaching certificates to individuals who meet specified requirements and provide instruction in Career and Technical Education courses or programs offered by a school district or JTED. Effective: August 6, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.

**SB 1525 (Chapter 4): JTED restoration and reforms.**

Removes the budget reduction to JTEDs, school districts and charter schools enacted in the 2015 K-12 Budget Reconciliation Bill. Changes the eligibility qualifications for JTED courses and programs and establishes requirements for JTED reporting, administration and auditing. Establishes the Career and Technical Education Task Force until January 1, 2019. Requires ADE to begin reviewing the compliance and eligibility of all JTED programs and courses and directs OAG to conduct a special JTED audit as scheduled by JLAC. Effective: February 17, 2016, and applies provisions relating to JTED administration retroactive to June 30, 2016.

Click [here](#) for the bill history.