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# HOUSE BILL 2431

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-102, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL POLICIES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 15-102, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:  
4 15-102. Parental involvement in the school; definition  
5 A. The governing board, in consultation with parents, teachers and  
6 administrators, shall develop and adopt a policy to promote the involvement  
7 of parents and guardians of children enrolled in the schools within the  
8 school district, including:  
9 1. A plan for parent participation in the schools which is designed to  
10 improve parent and teacher cooperation in such areas as homework, attendance  
11 and discipline.  
12 2. Procedures by which parents may learn about the course of study for  
13 their children and review learning materials.  
14 3. Procedures by which parents who object to any learning material or  
15 activity on the basis that it is harmful may withdraw their children from the  
16 activity or from the class or program in which the material is used.  
17 Objection to a learning material or activity on the basis that it is harmful  
18 includes objection to a material or activity because it questions beliefs or  
19 practices in sex, morality or religion.  
20 4. PROCEDURES BY WHICH PARENTS MAY LEARN ABOUT CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES  
21 THAT ARE PART OF THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS AND  
22 ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL.  
23 5. PROCEDURES BY WHICH PARENTS MAY LEARN ABOUT PARENTAL RIGHTS AND  
24 RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE, INCLUDING A DOCUMENT THAT IS  
25 NOT INTENDED TO EXCEED TWO PAGES AND THAT CONTAINS A SUMMARY AND A BRIEF  
26 DESCRIPTION OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:  
27 (a) THE RIGHT TO OPT OUT OF SEX EDUCATION CURRICULUM IF ONE IS  
28 PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD  
29 OF EDUCATION.  
30 (b) OPEN ENROLLMENT RIGHTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-816.01.  
31 (c) HOME SCHOOLING RIGHTS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 15-745, 15-802 AND  
32 15-802.01.  
33 (d) THE RIGHT TO OPT OUT OF ASSIGNMENTS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.  
34 (e) THE RIGHT TO OPT OUT OF IMMUNIZATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-873.  
35 (f) THE RIGHT TO ENGLISH IMMERSION WAIVERS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 15-753  
36 AND 15-754 AND THE RIGHT TO PURSUE LEGAL ACTION FOR A VIOLATION OF THOSE  
37 SECTIONS.  
38 (g) THE RIGHT TO SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTIONS  
39 15-765, 15-766 AND 15-773.  
40 (h) THE PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-701.  
41 (i) THE MINIMUM COURSE OF STUDY AND COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR  
42 GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-701.01.  
43 (j) THE RIGHT TO OPT OUT OF INSTRUCTION ON THE ACQUIRED IMMUNE  
44 DEFICIENCY SYNDROME PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-716.  
45 (k) THE RIGHT TO REVIEW TEST RESULTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-743.  
46 (l) THE RIGHT TO GIFTED PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-770.

- 1 (m) THE RIGHT TO ACCESS INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS PURSUANT TO SECTION  
2 15-730.
- 3 (n) THE RIGHT TO RECEIVE A SCHOOL REPORT CARD PURSUANT TO SECTION  
4 15-746.
- 5 (o) THE ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 15-802, 15-803  
6 AND 15-821.
- 7 (p) THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC REVIEW OF COURSES OF STUDY AND TEXTBOOKS  
8 PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-721.
- 9 (q) THE RIGHT TO BE EXCUSED FROM SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR RELIGIOUS  
10 PURPOSES PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-806.
- 11 (r) POLICIES RELATED TO PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
- 12 (s) THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE ON SCHOOL COUNCILS PURSUANT TO SECTION  
13 15-351.
- 14 (t) THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN A PARENTAL SATISFACTION SURVEY  
15 PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-353.
- 16 (u) INFORMATION ABOUT THE STUDENT ACCOUNTABILITY INFORMATION SYSTEM AS  
17 PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-1042.
- 18 (v) THE RIGHT TO ACCESS THE FAILING SCHOOLS TUTORING FUND PURSUANT TO  
19 SECTION 15-241.
- 20 B. The policy adopted by the governing board pursuant to this section  
21 may also include the following components:
- 22 1. A plan by which parents will be made aware of the district's  
23 parental involvement policy and the provisions of this section, including:
- 24 (a) Rights under the family educational rights and privacy act of  
25 1974 (20 UNITED STATES CODE SECTION 1232g) relating to access to children's  
26 official records.
- 27 (b) The parent's right to inspect the school district policies and  
28 curriculum.
- 29 2. Efforts to encourage the development of parenting skills.
- 30 3. The communication to parents of techniques designed to assist the  
31 child's learning experience in the home.
- 32 4. Efforts to encourage access to community and support services for  
33 children and families.
- 34 5. The promotion of communication between the school and parents  
35 concerning school programs and the academic progress of the parents'  
36 children.
- 37 6. Identifying opportunities for parents to participate in and support  
38 classroom instruction at the school.
- 39 7. Efforts to SUPPORT, with appropriate training, ~~support~~ parents as  
40 shared decision makers and to encourage membership on school councils.
- 41 8. The recognition of the diversity of parents and the development of  
42 guidelines that promote widespread parental participation and involvement in  
43 the school at various levels.
- 44 9. The development of preparation programs and specialized courses for  
45 certificated employees and administrators that promote parental involvement.

1           10. The development of strategies and programmatic structures at  
2 schools to encourage and enable parents to participate actively in their  
3 children's education.

4           C. For the purposes of this section, "parent" means the parent or  
5 person who has custody of the child.