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# SENATE BILL 1230

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-154, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 15-154, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 15-154. Public school safety program proposal: requirements:  
5 purpose; definitions

6 A. A public school district may apply to participate in the school  
7 safety program as provided in this section for ~~any~~ UP TO THREE fiscal ~~year~~  
8 YEARS by submitting by April 15 a program proposal to the school safety  
9 program oversight committee. The program proposal shall contain:

10 1. A detailed description of the school safety needs of the public  
11 school or school district, INCLUDING REPORTS BY SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL OF  
12 IMMORAL OR UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-514 OR VIOLATIONS  
13 OCCURRING ON SCHOOL PREMISES PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-515.

14 2. A plan for implementing a law related education program or a plan  
15 that demonstrates the existence of a law related education program as a  
16 school safety prevention strategy.

17 3. A plan to use trained school resource officers or juvenile  
18 probation officers in the schools, or both.

19 B. The state board of education shall administer the program in  
20 cooperation with the courts, law enforcement agencies and law related  
21 education providers. Representatives from the state board of education shall  
22 use relevant crime statistics and shall visit schools located in school  
23 districts that submit program proposals in order to verify the information  
24 contained in the program proposals.

25 C. The department of education, at the direction of the state board of  
26 education, shall distribute monies to the school districts THAT ARE IN  
27 COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND whose plans have been approved by  
28 the school safety program oversight committee.

29 D. Any appropriations that are made to the department of education for  
30 the school safety program are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190  
31 relating to the lapsing of appropriations. All monies that are not used for  
32 an approved school safety plan during the fiscal year for which the monies  
33 were appropriated revert to the department of education for distribution to  
34 the program in the following fiscal year.

35 E. Monies received by a school district under the program shall be  
36 spent to implement the approved plans.

37 F. For THE purposes of this section:

38 1. "Law related education" means interactive education to equip  
39 children and youth with knowledge and skills pertaining to the law, school  
40 safety and effective citizenship.

1           2. "Law related education program" means a program designed to provide  
2 children and youth with knowledge, skills and activities pertaining to the  
3 law and legal process and to promote law-abiding behavior with the purpose of  
4 preventing children and youth from engaging in delinquency or violence and  
5 enabling them to become productive citizens.

6           Sec. 2. Emergency

7           This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the  
8 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by  
9 law.