

State of Arizona
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SENATE BILL 1403

AN ACT

PROHIBITING THE STATE AND ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM RECOGNIZING THE
UNITED NATIONS OR ANY OF ITS DECLARATIONS AS LEGAL AUTHORITY IN THIS STATE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Rio declaration on environment and development:
3 prohibition; definition

4 A. Notwithstanding any other law, the state of Arizona and all
5 political subdivisions of this state consistent with section 38-231, Arizona
6 Revised Statutes, requiring officers and employees to support the
7 Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of this state
8 shall not recognize the United Nations or any of its declarations as legal
9 authority in this state, including the United Nations Rio Declaration on
10 Environment and Development and the Statement of Principles for Sustainable
11 Development adopted at the United Nations Conference on Environment and
12 Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in June, 1992.

13 B. Since the United Nations has enlisted the support of numerous
14 independent, non-governmental organizations to implement its agenda around
15 the world, the state of Arizona and all its political subdivisions are
16 prohibited from directly and knowingly, for the express purpose of adopting
17 or implementing the United Nations Rio Declaration on Environment and
18 Development and the Statement of Principles for Sustainable Development,
19 expending any sum of money for, being a member of, receiving funding from,
20 contracting services from, or giving financial or other forms of aid to any
21 group that espouses the usurping or overthrow of the Constitution of the
22 United States.

23 C. For the purposes of this section, "political subdivision" includes
24 this state, or a county, city or town in this state including any special
25 districts authorized by a county, city or town.