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HB 2008 (Chapter 303): schools; academic standards; civics instruction.

Instructs the State Board of Education (SBE), when next updating the high school social studies academic standards, to include in the standards a comparative discussion of political ideologies that conflict with the United States' founding principles. Requires SBE to work with specified entities to develop civic education standards and a list of oral history resources.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2017 (Chapter 367): NOW: community colleges; expenditure limitation

Retroactive to July 1, 2021 and as session law, replaces the state aid amounts prescribed by statute with other specified amounts that are to be withheld from a community college district that exceeds its expenditure limitation in FY 2023.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2025 (Chapter 237): schools; parental classroom visitation policies

Requires a school district governing board or charter school governing body to adopt policies to allow for parental visits, tours and observations of all classrooms unless a visit, tour or observation threatens the health and safety of pupils and staff. Specifies these policies must be easily accessible on each school's website.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2026 (Chapter 120): NOW: early literacy; reading plans

Directs each school district and charter school, regardless of letter grade designation, to annually submit an updated K-3 reading program plan to the Arizona Department of Education. Modifies promotion and retention procedures for a 3rd grade student who does not demonstrate sufficient reading skills according to their score on the reading portion of the statewide assessment.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2027 (Chapter 136): CTEDs; revisions

Reorganizes two versions of statute relating to average daily membership calculations for career technical education districts into a single statute.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2031 (Chapter 273): higher education; individuals with disabilities

Outlines the documentation an Arizona public university or a community college must accept to establish that an enrolled or admitted student is an individual with a disability.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2034 (Chapter 198): CTEDs; associate degrees

Authorizes a career technical education district (CTED) to offer accredited associate degrees. Outlines reporting requirements for a CTED offering an associate degree program.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2118 (Chapter 123): schools; alternative education; revisions

Outlines enrollment and funding procedures for a student who withdraws from a school and enrolls in an alternative education program or alternative school. Authorizes a school district governing board or charter school governing body to adopt an instructional time model to meet alternative education instructional time and hour requirements. Modifies the membership of the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2124 (Chapter 285): NOW: school districts; tuition; expenditures

Declares a high school pupil who resides in a common school district that is not within a high school district is enrolled in the school district of their attendance, rather than residence. Eliminates the requirement that tuition be charged for these high school pupils. Modifies school district budget calculations and funding for a high school pupil who resides in a common school district that is not within a high school district.

Effective: July 1, 2023, except for one section that becomes effective on September 24, 2022.

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2161 (Chapter 200): parental rights; schools; educational records

Prohibits a governmental entity or official from interfering with or usurping a parent's right to direct the upbringing, education, health care and mental health of their children and allows a parent to bring suit based on any violation of statutory parental rights. Alters parental consent requirements for school surveys and expands parental rights regarding access to written and electronic records of a parent's child.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2177 (Chapter 201): charter schools; fingerprinting; renewal; revocation

Modifies the procedures a charter sponsor must follow prior to adopting a determination of intent to revoke a charter. Mandates additional charter-related individuals obtain a valid fingerprint clearance card.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2178 (Chapter 95): school psychologists; exemption

Exempts a school psychologist who is certified by the Arizona Department of Education and contracted to provide services in an educational institution setting from licensure requirements prescribed by the Board of Psychologist Examiners if the services are part of the school psychologist's contract with the educational institution setting.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2179 (Chapter 192): schools; accounting responsibility plans; counties

Modifies the requirements a school district must follow when seeking to assume accounting responsibility. Allows a county treasurer to recommend approval or denial of accounting responsibility to the State Board of Education.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2284 (Chapter 374): NOW: search; rescue; human remains; canines

Allows an anatomical gift to be made to a search and rescue unit established or recognized by any federal, state, county or local governmental entity to train search and rescue units. Outlines requirements for the use of human remains by county search and rescue units including requiring an inventory of all remains that are kept for the training of search and rescue units and canines.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2325 (Chapter 244): schools; instruction; 9/11 education day

Establishes September 11 of each year as 9/11 Education Day and directs each public school to dedicate a portion of the school day to age-appropriate education on the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Specifies 9/11 Education Day is not a legal holiday.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2352 (Chapter 165): school facilities oversight board; continuation

Continues the School Facilities Oversight Board for three years until July 1, 2025.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2439 (Chapter 205): NOW: school library; review; policy

Requires, beginning January 1, 2023, a school district governing board and charter school governing body to adopt procedures to provide parents access to a school's library collection and a list of books and materials their child borrows. Creates public review and parental notification requirements for books purchased after January 1, 2023, for school libraries.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2495 (Chapter 380): schools; sexually explicit materials; prohibition

Prohibits a public school from referring students to or using any sexually explicit material unless: 1) the material possesses serious educational value for minors or serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value; 2) the public school requires written parental consent on a per-material basis; and 3) the public school provides students with an alternative assignment if parental consent is not secured.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2565 (Chapter 155): ASDB; revisions

Makes various changes to statute relating to the Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (ASDB), including: 1) detailing the individuals responsible for the evaluation and consideration of placement of a child in ASDB; 2) altering the membership of a placement and evaluation team; 3) clarifying requirements and notification procedures for a home school district; and 4) removing language that details the entities responsible for investigating any question regarding the propriety of the placement of any person received in ASDB.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2632 (Chapter 60): civics test; passing score

Increases, beginning with the graduating class of 2026, the number of questions a student must correctly answer on the required civics test to graduate from high school or obtain a high school equivalency diploma from 60 out of 100 to 70 out of 100. Authorizes a student in the 7th or 8th grades to take the required civics test. Establishes reporting requirements for public schools and the Arizona Department of Education regarding the civics test.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2672 (Chapter 168): common school districts; unification; budget

Authorizes the Nadaburg Unified School District (NUSD) to continue calculating its budget and equalization assistance as a common school district that is not within a high school district until a high school is built, rather than for 15 years after its unification election or until a high school is built. Adds that NUSD may retroactively adjust its budget for FY 2022.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2707 (Chapter 119): public schools; moment of silence

Instructs school districts and charter schools to set aside between one to two minutes at the beginning of each school day for students in kindergarten through the 12th grade to engage in a moment of silence. Prohibits a school employee from suggesting the nature of any reflection in which a student may engage during this moment of silence.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1065 (Chapter 265 RFE): private postsecondary education board; fees

Modifies the fees the State Board for Private Postsecondary Education is to charge applicants for an initial and original private vocational program license, a license to grant degrees and a supplemental application for a change in ownership of an educational institution. Contains a Proposition 108 clause.

Effective: June 6, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1115 (Chapter 10 E): in-state student status; veterans

An emergency measure extending immediate in-state student status to an eligible person using educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty, Veteran Readiness and Employment Program, Post-9/11 GI Bill and VA Education Benefits for Dependents and Survivors.

Effective: March 18, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1159 (Chapter 337): teacher certification; leadership preparation programs

Makes various changes to statute relating to teacher certification, including: 1) adding training requirements for a subject-matter certificate holder; 2) removing experience requirements for the renewal of an expired certificate; and 3) exempting specified individuals from being required to take the proficiency examination if outlined criteria are met. Modifies the criteria for a school district or charter school to become a classroom-based preparation program provider. Establishes a process for a school district or charter school to be a locally based school leadership preparation program provider.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1160 (Chapter 74): AZ529 plan; advisory committee; membership

Expands the membership of the AZ529, Arizona's Education Savings Plan Advisory Committee by adding a member who represents an accredited private school or organization that offers instruction to pupils in kindergarten programs or the 1st-12th grades and increasing the number of public members from two to three. Stipulates at least one of the public members must represent a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Arizona.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1246 (Chapter 347): school buses; electrification; contracts

Instructs the School Bus Advisory Council (Advisory Council) to preapprove contract carriers and private parties providing electric school buses, electric school bus charging infrastructure, charging and charging management services or electric school bus services. Permits a school district to select a preapproved contract carrier or private party. Modifies Advisory Council membership.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1300 (Chapter 20): tribal college dual enrollment program

Allows a Tribal College Dual Enrollment Program (Program) to offer qualified courses with high schools located outside of a reservation. Adds that Program Fund monies may be used to compensate tribal colleges for books and instructional materials. Permits the Office of Indian Education within the Arizona Department of Education to provide technical assistance to tribal colleges and high schools to operate a Program.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1321 (Chapter 21): conforming legislation; postsecondary education commission

Conforms statute to the transfer of the Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education to the Arizona Board of Regents. Modifies the Arizona Teacher Student Loan Program, Arizona Leveraging Educational Assistance Program and Postsecondary Educational Fund.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1327 (Chapter 209 E): alternative assessment advisory committee

An emergency measure that requires the Arizona Department of Education to establish an Alternative Assessment Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee). Outlines Advisory Committee membership, duties and reporting requirements. Repeals the Advisory Committee on July 1, 2025.

Effective: April 29, 2022

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SB 1328 (Chapter 353): NOW: high-quality teacher program

Establishes the High-Quality Teacher Professional Development Program as a statutory program and clarifies the Arizona Department of Education may issue scholarship or grants subject to available appropriations.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1361 (Chapter 355): NOW: exchange programs; certificates of convenience

Allows a pupil who is precluded by their guardian's employment from attending a school in their school district or county of residence to apply for a certificate of educational convenience (CEC). Establishes CEC application and reporting procedures for a pupil applying for a CEC, school districts, county school superintendents and the Arizona Department of Education.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1368 (Chapter 326): continuation; Arizona board of regents

Continues the Arizona Board of Regents for five years until July 1, 2027.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1406 (Chapter 48): excused military absences; higher education

Establishes protections and rights for a student at an Arizona institution of higher education who is ordered to reserve duty, or who is the spouse of such a student and who is at an Arizona institution of higher education, including withdrawal and course completion procedures, refunds for room, board and fees and readmission policies.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1630 (Chapter 290): school buses; student transportation; vehicles

Permits a public school or a private entity contracted with a public school to use a motor vehicle designed to carry between 11 to 15 passengers or a motor vehicle designed as a type A or type B school bus to carry at least 11 and up to 15 passengers to transport students to or from home or school in accordance with safety rules adopted by the Arizona Department of Public Safety. Details requirements an applicant to drive a motor vehicle must meet. Changes the name of the School Bus Advisory Council to the Student Transportation Advisory Council, modifies its membership and adds to its duties.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1654 (Chapter 210): schools; seizure management; treatment plans

Authorizes, beginning the 2022-2023 school year, the guardian of a student who has a seizure disorder to submit a copy of a seizure management and treatment plan for school personnel to use if the student suffers a seizure at school or while participating in a school-sponsored activity. Establishes seizure management training requirements for school personnel. Mandates, beginning September 1, 2023, each school to have one school employee (other than a school nurse) who is trained to administer or assist with the self-administration of seizure-related treatments.

Effective: September 24, 2022

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1682 (Chapter 363): juveniles; educational classes; discretionary

Allows a committed youth who is at least 16 years old, has not received a high school diploma (or an equivalent) or an exception from the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections director and who is functionally literate to take either the general equivalency diploma test or an equivalency test approved by the State Board of Education prior to their release from a secure care facility.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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