

REFERENCE TITLE: schools; common core; prohibition

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SB 1310

Introduced by
Senator Melvin

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-701.02; RELATING TO SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 7, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 15-701.02, to read:

4 15-701.02. Public school curricular standards and assessments;
5 college admissions examinations; fiscal analysis

6 A. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
7 NOT IMPLEMENT THE COMMON CORE STANDARDS. ANY RULES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE
8 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT CONFLICT WITH THIS SUBSECTION ARE VOID ON THE
9 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

10 B. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY NOT
11 ADOPT OR REVISE CURRICULAR STANDARDS IN A MANNER THAT WOULD EFFECTIVELY
12 IMPLEMENT THE COMMON CORE STANDARDS. ANY RULES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE
13 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT CONFLICT WITH THIS SUBSECTION ARE VOID ON THE
14 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

15 C. THIS STATE SHALL WITHDRAW FROM THE PARTNERSHIP FOR ASSESSMENT OF
16 READINESS FOR COLLEGE AND CAREERS.

17 D. THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL SELECT AN EXISTING NATIONALLY
18 ADMINISTERED STANDARDIZED TEST THAT IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTED AS A HIGH SCHOOL
19 ACHIEVEMENT AND COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION BY AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF
20 THE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THIS COUNTRY TO SERVE AS THE
21 STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT MECHANISM TO MEASURE STUDENT ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE.

22 E. THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL CONTRACT WITH AN INDEPENDENT
23 ENTITY TO CONDUCT A FISCAL ANALYSIS OF THE PROJECTED COST OF IMPLEMENTING THE
24 COMMON CORE STANDARDS. THE INDEPENDENT ENTITY SELECTED MUST HAVE EXPERTISE
25 IN THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND ASSESSMENT OF CURRICULAR STANDARDS.