

REFERENCE TITLE: charter schools; financial information; audits

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Introduced by
Senators Bradley; Dalessandro, Mendez

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 8, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTIONS 15-189.05 AND 15-189.06; RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

(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 1, article 8, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding sections 15-189.05 and 15-189.06, to read:

4 15-189.05. Noninstructional personnel salary information;
5 audits

6 A. AN AUDIT OF A CHARTER SCHOOL THAT IS CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THIS
7 TITLE SHALL INCLUDE AN AUDIT OF THE COMPENSATION OF NONINSTRUCTIONAL
8 PERSONNEL WHO ARE IN EITHER AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR OWNERSHIP CAPACITY. THE
9 AUDIT MUST PROVIDE SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION TO JUSTIFY THE TOTAL
10 COMPENSATION RECEIVED BY THESE PERSONNEL AND SHOULD CONSIDER ALL METHODS
11 OF COMPENSATION FOR OWNERS AND ADMINISTRATORS.

12 B. FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS WITH FEWER THAN SIX HUNDRED PUPILS, CHARTER
13 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR COMPENSATION SHALL BE COMPARED TO SIMILAR PERSONNEL
14 IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH FEWER THAN ONE THOUSAND PUPILS. FOR ALL
15 OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS, CHARTER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR COMPENSATION SHALL BE
16 COMPARED TO SIMILAR PERSONNEL IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH NOT MORE
17 THAN FIFTY PERCENT MORE THAN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PUPILS ENROLLED IN THAT
18 CHARTER SCHOOL.

19 15-189.06. Financial information; auditor general

20 ALL CHARTER SCHOOL FINANCIAL INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE
21 REPORTED PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE MUST BE SHARED WITH AND MONITORED BY THE
22 AUDITOR GENERAL.