

State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
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**CHAPTER 85**  
**HOUSE BILL 2460**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-189, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; 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. Section 15-189, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 15-189. Charter schools and private schools: vacant  
5 buildings; list; prohibition; used equipment

6 A. The school facilities board, in conjunction with the department  
7 of administration, shall annually publish a list of vacant and unused  
8 buildings and vacant and unused portions of buildings that are owned by  
9 this state or by school districts in this state and that may be suitable  
10 for the operation of a charter school. The school facilities board shall  
11 make the list available to applicants for charter schools and to existing  
12 charter schools. The list shall include the address of each building, a  
13 short description of the building, the name of the owner of the building  
14 and any other pertinent information related to the vacancy of the  
15 building. The school facilities board shall annually submit the list to  
16 the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of  
17 representatives and provide a copy of the list to the secretary of state.

18 B. If a school district decides to sell or lease a vacant and  
19 unused building or a vacant and unused portion of a building, the school  
20 district may not prohibit a charter school **OR PRIVATE SCHOOL** from  
21 negotiating to buy or lease the property in the same manner as other  
22 potential buyers or lessees. A school district shall attempt to obtain  
23 the highest possible value under current market conditions for the sale or  
24 lease of the vacant and unused building or the vacant and unused portion  
25 of a building **AND MAY NOT ACCEPT AN OFFER FROM A POTENTIAL BUYER OR LESSEE**  
26 **THAT IS LESS THAN AN OFFER FROM A CHARTER SCHOOL OR PRIVATE SCHOOL.**  
27 ~~Nothing in~~ This section ~~requires~~ **DOES NOT REQUIRE** the owner of a building  
28 on the list to sell or lease the building or a portion of the building to  
29 a charter school, ~~or~~ to any other school or to any other prospective buyer  
30 or tenant, **EXCEPT THAT THE OWNER OF A BUILDING ON THE LIST MAY NOT**  
31 **WITHDRAW THE PROPERTY FROM SALE OR LEASE SOLELY BECAUSE A CHARTER SCHOOL**  
32 **OR PRIVATE SCHOOL IS THE HIGHEST BIDDER.**

33 ~~B.~~ C. A school district may sell used equipment to a charter  
34 school **OR PRIVATE SCHOOL** before the school district attempts to sell or  
35 dispose of the equipment by other means.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MARCH 27, 2018.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH 27, 2018.