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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-1821.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-1821.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 to read:

4 15-1821.01. Dual enrollment information

5 On a determination by a community college district governing board
6 OR A TRIBAL COLLEGE GOVERNING ENTITY that it is in the best interest of
7 the citizens of a district, the district governing board OR THE TRIBAL
8 COLLEGE GOVERNING ENTITY may authorize district community colleges OR THE
9 TRIBAL COLLEGE to offer college courses that may be counted toward both
10 high school and college graduation requirements at the high school during
11 the school day, subject to the following:

12 1. The community college district governing board OR THE TRIBAL
13 COLLEGE GOVERNING ENTITY and the governing board of the school district or
14 organization of which the high school is a part shall enter into an
15 agreement or contract. These intergovernmental agreements or contracts
16 shall be based on a uniform format that has been cooperatively developed
17 by the community college districts AND TRIBAL COLLEGES in this
18 state. Each of these agreements or contracts shall clearly specify the
19 following:

20 (a) The financial provisions of the agreement or contract and the
21 format for the billing of all services under the agreement or contract,
22 including the amount that the community college received in full-time
23 student equivalent funding pursuant to section 15-1466.01, OR THE
24 EQUIVALENT FUNDING AMOUNT FOR A TRIBAL COLLEGE, the portion of the funding
25 that is distributed to the school district governing board or charter
26 school and any amount that is subsequently returned to the community
27 college district OR TRIBAL COLLEGE by the school district governing board
28 or charter school.

29 (b) Student tuition and financial aid policies, including ~~if~~
30 WHETHER scholarships or grants are awarded to students in dual enrollment
31 courses from the community college OR TRIBAL COLLEGE.

32 (c) The accountability provisions for each party to the agreement
33 or contract.

34 (d) The responsibilities and services required of each party to the
35 agreement or contract.

36 (e) The type of instruction that will be provided under the
37 agreement or contract, including the titles of the courses to be offered.

38 (f) The quality of the instruction that will be provided under the
39 agreement or contract.

40 2. Students shall be admitted to the community college OR TRIBAL
41 COLLEGE under the policies adopted by each district, subject to the
42 following:

43 (a) All students enrolled for college credit shall be high school
44 juniors or seniors. All students in the course, including those not
45 electing to enroll for college credit, shall satisfy the prerequisites for

1 the course as published in the college catalog and shall comply with
2 college policies regarding student placement in courses.

3 (b) A community college OR TRIBAL COLLEGE may waive the class
4 status requirements specified in subdivision (a) of this paragraph for up
5 to twenty-five ~~per cent~~ PERCENT of the students enrolled by a college in
6 courses, provided that the community college OR TRIBAL COLLEGE has ~~an~~
7 established written criteria for waiving the requirements for each course.
8 These criteria shall include a demonstration, by an examination of the
9 specific purposes and requirements of the course, that freshman and
10 sophomore students who meet course prerequisites are prepared to benefit
11 from the ~~college-level~~ COLLEGE-LEVEL course. All exceptions and the
12 justification for the exceptions shall be reported annually to the joint
13 legislative budget committee on or before October 1.

14 3. The courses shall be previously evaluated and approved through
15 the curriculum approval process of the district, shall be at a higher
16 level than taught by the high school and shall be transferable to a
17 university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents or be
18 applicable to an established community college occupational degree or
19 certificate program. Physical education courses ~~shall~~ ARE not ~~be~~
20 available for dual enrollment purposes.

21 4. ~~College-approved~~ COLLEGE-APPROVED textbooks, syllabuses, course
22 outlines and grading standards that are applicable to the courses if
23 taught at the community college OR TRIBAL COLLEGE shall apply to these
24 courses and to all students in the courses offered pursuant to this
25 section. The chief executive officer of each community college OR TRIBAL
26 COLLEGE shall establish an advisory committee of full-time faculty who
27 teach in the disciplines offered at the community college OR TRIBAL
28 COLLEGE to assist in course selection and implementation in the high
29 schools and to review and report at least annually to the chief executive
30 officer whether the course goals and standards are understood, the course
31 guidelines are followed and the same standards of expectation and
32 assessment are applied to these courses as though they were being offered
33 at the community college OR TRIBAL COLLEGE. The advisory committee of
34 full-time faculty shall meet at least three times each academic year.

35 5. Each faculty member shall meet the requirements established by
36 the governing board pursuant to section 15-1444. The chief executive
37 officer of each community college district OR TRIBAL COLLEGE shall
38 establish an advisory committee of full-time faculty who teach in the
39 disciplines offered at the community college district OR TRIBAL COLLEGE to
40 assist in the selection, orientation, ongoing professional development and
41 evaluation of faculty teaching college courses in conjunction with the
42 high schools. The advisory committee of full-time faculty shall meet at
43 least two times each academic year.

1 6. A school district shall ensure that a pupil is a full-time
2 student as defined in section 15-901 and is enrolled in and attending a
3 full-time instructional program at a school in the school district before
4 that pupil is allowed to enroll in a college course pursuant to this
5 section, except that high school seniors who satisfy high school
6 graduation requirements with less than a full-time instructional program
7 ~~shall be~~ ARE exempt from this paragraph.