

State of Arizona  
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**CHAPTER 58**  
**SENATE BILL 1256**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-922, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL BUSES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-922, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 15-922. Duties of the school district; definition

5 A. Each school district shall within twelve days after the first  
6 one hundred days or two hundred days in session, as applicable, certify to  
7 the superintendent of public instruction, in an electronic format as  
8 prescribed by the department of education, the following:

9 1. The daily route mileage of the school district in the current  
10 year. The route mileage shall not include more than twenty miles each way  
11 to and from the school of attendance or to and from a pickup point on a  
12 regular transportation route to transport eligible students who reside in  
13 nonadjacent school districts.

14 2. The route mileage of the school district in the current year  
15 transporting eligible students for extended school year services in  
16 accordance with section 15-881.

17 3. The number of eligible students transported during the current  
18 year.

19 B. A school district shall meet the requirements of this section to  
20 receive state aid. The superintendent of public instruction may withhold  
21 a school district's apportionment of state aid if it is determined by the  
22 superintendent of public instruction that the school district is not  
23 complying with the requirements of this section. **A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY  
24 INCLUDE ANY VEHICLE THAT MEETS THE DEFINITION OF A SCHOOL BUS PRESCRIBED  
25 IN THIS SECTION IN THE CALCULATION OF DAILY ROUTE MILEAGE. THE DEPARTMENT  
26 OF EDUCATION SHALL NOT DENY TRANSPORTATION FUNDING OR STATE AID FOR A  
27 SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT TRANSPORTS PUPILS IN ANY VEHICLE THAT MEETS THE  
28 DEFINITION OF A SCHOOL BUS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.**

29 C. For the purposes of this article and section 15-901, "school  
30 bus" or "bus" means a **SCHOOL** bus as defined in section 28-101, except that  
31 the passenger capacity standards prescribed in that section do not apply.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MARCH 23, 2018.

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