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CHAPTER 290
SENATE BILL 1505

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

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

2 Section 1. Native American code writers program

3 A. Notwithstanding section 18-421, Arizona Revised Statutes, the
4 sum of \$500,000 in one-time funding is appropriated from the state web
5 portal fund established by section 18-421, Arizona Revised Statutes, in
6 fiscal year 2018-2019 to the department of education to provide grants on
7 a competitive basis pursuant to title 41, chapter 24, article 1, Arizona
8 Revised Statutes, for participation in the code writers initiative pilot
9 program. The American Indian advisory council in the department of
10 education shall evaluate grant applications and shall make award
11 recommendations to the department of education. The department shall
12 maximize available funding by awarding grants to participants who will
13 leverage state monies by securing gifts, grants and donations from other
14 sources.

15 B. Grantees in the code writers initiative pilot program shall:

16 1. Introduce computer code writing curriculum for students in
17 grades nine through twelve.

18 2. Deliver a technology-focused education to Native American
19 students that will prepare the students for the global economy.

20 3. Instruct Native American students in computer code writing and
21 work with industry partners to develop internships and programs that will
22 be made available to initiative graduates.

23 4. Instruct teachers and administrators in a technology-focused
24 curriculum.

25 5. Develop assessment metrics to measure progress to be used to
26 determine the initiative's effectiveness.

27 6. Install audio video distance learning equipment at key delivery
28 points to maximize the number of program participants.

29 7. Determine the impacts from the initiative's curriculum and
30 teacher instruction on students' standardized test scores and graduation
31 rates.

32 8. Submit annual reports to the American Indian advisory council
33 and the department of education not later than September 1, 2019 and
34 September 1, 2020, if applicable, containing detailed information relating
35 to the requirements of this subsection for the most recent school year.

36 C. The department of education shall summarize the reports
37 submitted pursuant to subsection B, paragraph 8 of this section and submit
38 summaries on or before December 1, 2019 and December 1, 2020 to the
39 president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and
40 the director of the joint legislative budget committee. The department
41 shall submit a copy of each summary to the secretary of state.

1 D. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
2 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating
3 to lapsing of appropriations.

4 E. The program established pursuant to this section ends on July 1,
5 2021 pursuant to section 41-3102, Arizona Revised Statutes.

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