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CHAPTER 148
HOUSE BILL 2036

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 that it is in the best interest of the citizens of a district, the
7 district governing board may authorize district community colleges to
8 offer college courses that may be counted toward both high school and
9 college graduation requirements at the high school during the school day,
10 subject to the following:

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

17 (a) The financial provisions of the agreement or contract and the
18 format for the billing of all services under the agreement or contract,
19 including the amount that the community college received in full-time
20 student equivalent funding pursuant to section 15-1466.01, the portion of
21 the funding that is distributed to the school district governing board or
22 charter school and any amount that is subsequently returned to the
23 community college district by the school district governing board or
24 charter school.

25 (b) Student tuition and financial aid policies, including whether
26 scholarships or grants are awarded to students in dual enrollment courses
27 from the community college.

28 (c) The accountability provisions for each party to the agreement
29 or contract.

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

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

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

36 2. Students shall be admitted to the community college under the
37 policies adopted by each district, subject to the following:

38 (a) All students WHO ARE enrolled for college credit shall be high
39 school juniors or seniors. All students WHO ARE in the course, including
40 those not electing to enroll for college credit, shall satisfy the
41 prerequisites for the course as published in the college catalog and shall
42 comply with college policies regarding student placement in courses.

43 (b) A community college may waive the class status requirements
44 specified in subdivision (a) of this paragraph for up to twenty-five
45 percent of the students enrolled by a college in courses, ~~provided that~~ IF
46 the community college has established written criteria for waiving the

1 requirements for each course. These criteria shall include a
2 demonstration, by an examination of the specific purposes and requirements
3 of the course, that freshman and sophomore students who meet course
4 prerequisites are prepared to benefit from the college-level course. All
5 exceptions and the justification for the exceptions shall be reported
6 annually to the joint legislative budget committee on or before ~~October~~
7 ~~DECEMBER~~ 1.

8 3. The courses shall be previously evaluated and approved through
9 the curriculum approval process of the district, shall be at a higher
10 level than taught by the high school and shall be transferable to a
11 university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents or be
12 applicable to an established community college occupational degree or
13 certificate program. Physical education courses are not available for
14 dual enrollment purposes.

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

28 5. Each faculty member shall meet the requirements established by
29 the governing board pursuant to section 15-1444. The chief executive
30 officer of each community college district shall establish an advisory
31 committee of full-time faculty who teach in the disciplines offered at the
32 community college district to assist in the selection, orientation,
33 ongoing professional development and evaluation of faculty ~~WHO ARE~~
34 teaching college courses in conjunction with the high schools. The
35 advisory committee of full-time faculty shall meet at least two times each
36 academic year.

37 6. A school district shall ensure that a pupil is a full-time
38 student as defined in section 15-901 and is enrolled in and attending a
39 full-time instructional program at a school in the school district before
40 that pupil is allowed to enroll in a college course pursuant to this
41 section, except that high school seniors who satisfy high school
42 graduation requirements with less than a full-time instructional program
43 are exempt from this paragraph.

44 7. Notwithstanding paragraph 6 of this section, homeschooled
45 students may fully participate in dual enrollment, including receipt of
46 college credit pursuant to this section.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 30, 2019.

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