

REFERENCE TITLE: school buildings; vulnerability assessment

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## **HB 2699**

Introduced by  
Representative Carroll

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-119; AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-249.14; REPEALING SECTION 15-249.14, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-119, to read:

4 15-119. School buildings; vulnerability assessments; local  
5 review boards

6 A. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL HAVE A  
7 VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED FOR EACH BUILDING THAT THE SCHOOL  
8 DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL OWNS, RENTS, OCCUPIES OR OPERATES.

9 B. THE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT MUST BE CONDUCTED BY PERSONS WHO  
10 ARE CERTIFIED BY THE ARIZONA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD  
11 AND MUST EVALUATE AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING:

12 1. THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT'S VULNERABILITIES TO EXTERNAL AND  
13 INTERNAL SAFETY THREATS.

14 2. THE PREPAREDNESS OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO MANAGE EMERGENCY  
15 SITUATIONS.

16 C. THE RESULTS OF THE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED  
17 ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15 EACH YEAR TO A LOCAL REVIEW BOARD THAT CONSISTS  
18 OF AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING:

19 1. THE COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

20 2. A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT LEADER WHO IS SELECTED BY THE SCHOOL  
21 DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OR CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY.

22 3. A REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING ORGANIZATION WHO  
23 IS SELECTED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OR CHARTER SCHOOL  
24 GOVERNING BODY.

25 4. A LOCAL FIRE CHIEF WHO IS SELECTED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
26 GOVERNING BOARD OR CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY.

27 D. THE LOCAL REVIEW BOARD SHALL REVIEW VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENTS  
28 AND DETERMINE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS TO REMEDY ANY VULNERABILITIES,  
29 INCLUDING PARTNERSHIPS, LOCAL FUNDING OPTIONS AND STATE FUNDING OPTIONS.

30 Sec. 2. Title 15, chapter 2, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
31 is amended by adding section 15-249.14, to read:

32 15-249.14. Safe schools grant fund; annual report

33 A. THE SAFE SCHOOLS GRANT FUND IS ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF  
34 APPROPRIATIONS AND GRANTS, GIFTS, DEVICES AND DONATIONS FROM ANY PUBLIC OR  
35 PRIVATE SOURCE. THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.  
36 MONIES IN THE FUND ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE  
37 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190, RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS. THE  
38 DEPARTMENT MAY RETAIN NOT MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT OF THE MONIES DEPOSITED  
39 INTO THE FUND IN ANY FISCAL YEAR FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES. ON NOTICE  
40 FROM THE DEPARTMENT, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST AND DIVEST MONIES IN  
41 THE FUND AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 35-313, AND MONIES EARNED FROM INVESTMENT  
42 SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND. MONIES IN THE FUND ARE SUBJECT TO STATE  
43 AUDITING PROCEDURES.

1           B. THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL DISTRIBUTE GRANTS FROM THE  
2 FUND TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS TO HELP SCHOOL SITES DECREASE  
3 VULNERABILITIES TO POTENTIAL EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL THREATS. THE  
4 DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND SELECTION CRITERIA  
5 FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS TO APPLY FOR GRANTS FROM THE  
6 FUND.

7           C. ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT  
8 A REPORT TO GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE  
9 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT SUMMARIZES THE ALLOCATION OF GRANTS FROM THE  
10 FUND AND PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

11           Sec. 3. Delayed repeal

12           Section 15-249.14, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act,  
13 is repealed from and after June 30, 2024.