

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2418
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Page 1, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

2 "Section 1. Section 15-779.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 to read:

4 15-779.02. Gifted pupils; scope and sequence; annual financial
5 report

6 A. The governing board of each school district shall develop a scope
7 and sequence for the identification process of and curriculum modifications
8 for gifted pupils to ensure that gifted pupils receive gifted education
9 commensurate with their academic abilities and potentials. Programs and
10 services for gifted pupils shall be provided as an integrated,
11 differentiated learning experience during the regular school day. The
12 scope and ~~the~~ sequence shall:

13 1. Provide for routine screening for gifted pupils using one or more
14 tests adopted by the state board as prescribed in section 15-203,
15 subsection A, paragraph 15 and section 15-779.01. School districts may
16 identify any number of pupils as gifted but shall identify as gifted at
17 least those pupils who score at or above the ninety-seventh percentile,
18 based on national norms, on a test adopted by the state board of education.

1 2. Include an explanation of how gifted education for gifted pupils
2 differs from regular education in such areas as:

3 (a) Content, including a ~~broad-based~~ BROAD-BASED interdisciplinary
4 curriculum.

5 (b) Process, including ~~higher-level~~ HIGHER-LEVEL thinking skills.

6 (c) Product, including variety and complexity.

7 (d) Learning environment, including flexibility.

8 3. Include criteria, which shall be reviewed by the state board of
9 education and the department of education at least once every four years,
10 that address the elements of program design, identification, curriculum,
11 instruction, social development, emotional development, professional
12 development of administrators, teachers, school psychologists and
13 counselors, parent involvement, community involvement, program assessment
14 and budgeting. The budget information shall include separate data on
15 identification and program costs and any other data required by the
16 superintendent of public instruction to administer and evaluate the program
17 effectively.

18 B. The governing board shall submit the scope and ~~the~~ sequence to
19 the department of education for approval on or before July 1 if any changes
20 were made during the previous fiscal year. The governing board shall
21 submit the scope and ~~the~~ sequence to the department of education for
22 approval on or before July 1 every five years if no changes were made
23 during the previous five years. All school districts shall provide to

1 gifted pupils gifted education commensurate with their academic abilities
2 and potentials.

3 C. If the governing board fails to submit the scope and sequence for
4 gifted pupils as prescribed in subsection B of this section or if the scope
5 and sequence submitted by the governing board fails to receive full
6 approval by the superintendent of public instruction, the school district
7 is not eligible to receive state aid for the group A weight for seven ~~per~~
8 ~~cent~~ PERCENT of the student count and shall compute the weighted student
9 count for pupils in group A as provided in section 15-943 by ~~adjustment of~~
10 ADJUSTING the student count accordingly. On or before December 1 of each
11 year, the department of education shall notify those school districts that
12 appear to be in noncompliance and note the specific areas of deficiencies
13 that must be corrected on or before April 1 of the following year to be
14 eligible to use the actual student count rather than an adjusted student
15 count. On or before April 15 of each year, the department shall notify
16 those districts that must use an adjusted student count for the next fiscal
17 year's state aid as provided in chapter 9 of this title.

18 D. The annual financial report of a school district as prescribed in
19 section 15-904 shall include ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 20 1. The amount of monies spent on programs for gifted pupils. ~~and~~
- 21 2. The number of pupils enrolled in programs or receiving services
22 by grade level.
- 23 3. THE AMOUNT OF MONIES SPENT ON THE IDENTIFICATION OF GIFTED
24 PUPILS."

25 Renumber to conform

1 Page 8, line 19, after "PUPILS" insert "WHO SCORE AT OR ABOVE THE NINETY-SEVENTH
2 PERCENTILE, BASED ON NATIONAL NORMS, ON A TEST ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD
3 OF EDUCATION"

4 Line 23, strike the third comma insert "PUPILS AND"; strike the fourth comma
5 insert "PUPILS AND PUPILS WITH"

6 Line 24, strike "and gifted pupils"

7 Page 12, after line 11, insert:

8 "Sec. 4. Appropriations; department of education; assessment
9 to identify gifted pupils

10 The sum of \$850,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in
11 each of fiscal years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 to the department of education
12 to procure an assessment that local education agencies may administer to
13 pupils in second grade to identify gifted pupils as prescribed in section
14 15-779.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act."

15 Amend title to conform

And, as so amended, it do pass

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