

REFERENCE TITLE: geological survey; state geologist

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Introduced by  
Representative Griffin

## AN ACT

REPEALING SECTION 27-102, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2016, CHAPTER 371, SECTION 6; AMENDING SECTION 27-102, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2016, CHAPTER 128, SECTION 5; REPEALING SECTION 41-3022.07, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Repeal

3 Section 27-102, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2016,  
4 chapter 371, section 6, is repealed.

5 Sec. 2. Section 27-102, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by  
6 Laws 2016, chapter 128, section 5, is amended to read:

7 27-102. Arizona geological survey; state geologist; powers

8 A. The Arizona geological survey is established within the  
9 university of Arizona with offices located in proximity to the university  
10 of Arizona in Tucson. The state geologist shall administer the Arizona  
11 geological survey and shall serve at the pleasure of the Arizona board of  
12 regents. The state geologist shall be a graduate of an accredited  
13 institution and **EITHER REGISTERED AS A GEOLOGIST BY THE STATE BOARD OF  
14 TECHNICAL REGISTRATION OR A TRAINED GEOLOGIST AS DEFINED IN SECTION 32-144  
15 AND SHALL BE** otherwise qualified by education and experience to direct the  
16 research and information functions of the Arizona geological survey.

17 B. The state geologist may:

18 1. Engage the services of faculty members or students, and shall  
19 have reasonable access to the data and other resources, of the university  
20 of Arizona or any other state university in this state to conduct or  
21 supervise research, experimentation or other related work of the Arizona  
22 geological survey.

23 2. Organize field expeditions to perform work for the Arizona  
24 geological survey using university students who are sufficiently advanced  
25 in their study of geology to be able to perform satisfactory work.

26 3. Establish and appoint an advisory board consisting of  
27 independent practicing geologists, university or college faculty, mining  
28 geologists and others who use and rely on data, information and other  
29 services of the Arizona geological survey.

30 4. Engage volunteer staff as necessary.

31 C. The expenses of the Arizona geological survey shall be paid by  
32 annual appropriation from the state general fund and as otherwise provided  
33 by this article.

34 Sec. 3. Repeal

35 Section 41-3022.07, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.