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HB 2705: schools; dress codes; graduation ceremonies
Sponsor: Representative Teller, LD 7
Transmitted to Governor

Overview
An emergency measure that prohibits a school from establishing a dress code policy that prevents students from wearing traditional tribal regalia or objects of cultural significance at a graduation ceremony.

History
Currently, a school district must consider the cultural traditions of students when establishing or enforcing rules related to a student's participation in extracurricular school activities. If district's rules or rules regulating the district's participation in an extracurricular program prohibit a student from participating because of their cultural traditions, the governing board may adopt alternative rules for those students.

Furthermore, a school district governing board, a charter school and an interscholastic athletic associations (which a school district or charter school is a member of) may not prohibit a student from wearing a religious or cultural accessory or a hairpiece while participating in an extracurricular or athletic activity unless the item is determined to jeopardize the health or safety of participants (A.R.S. § 15-347).

Provisions
1. Prohibits a school district governing board, a charter school governing body or any public school from establishing a dress code policy that prevents a student who is a member, or who is eligible to be enrolled as a member, of a federally recognized Indian tribe from wearing traditional tribal regalia or objects of cultural significance at a graduation ceremony. (Sec. 1)

2. Defines *objects of cultural significance* and *traditional tribal regalia* to include an eagle feather or eagle plume. (Sec. 1)

3. Contains an emergency clause. (Sec. 2)

☐ Prop 105 (45 votes)	☐ Prop 108 (40 votes)	☒ Emergency (40 votes)	☐ Fiscal Note