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## **SB 1510**

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### AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-101, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 8, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-186.02; AMENDING SECTION 15-341, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO STUDENT CONDUCT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 15-101, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:  
4 15-101. Definitions  
5 In this title, unless the context otherwise requires:  
6 1. "Accommodation school" means either:  
7 (a) A school that is operated through the county board of  
8 supervisors and the county school superintendent and that the county  
9 school superintendent administers to serve a military reservation or  
10 territory that is not included within the boundaries of a school district.  
11 (b) A school that provides educational services to homeless  
12 children or alternative education programs as provided in section 15-308,  
13 subsection B.  
14 (c) A school that is established to serve a military reservation,  
15 the boundaries of which are coterminous with the boundaries of the  
16 military reservation on which the school is located.  
17 2. "Assessed valuation" means the valuation derived by applying the  
18 applicable percentage as provided in title 42, chapter 15, article 1 to  
19 the full cash value or limited property value, whichever is applicable, of  
20 the property.  
21 3. "BULLYING":  
22 (a) MEANS A WRITTEN, VERBAL OR PHYSICAL ACT OR AN ELECTRONIC  
23 COMMUNICATION THAT IS INTENDED TO HARM OR THAT A REASONABLE PERSON WOULD  
24 KNOW IS LIKELY TO HARM ONE OR MORE STUDENTS BY DOING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:  
25 (i) SUBSTANTIALLY INTERFERING WITH THE STUDENT'S EDUCATIONAL  
26 OPPORTUNITIES, BENEFITS OR PROGRAMS.  
27 (ii) ADVERSELY AFFECTING THE STUDENT'S ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN OR  
28 BENEFIT FROM EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES BY PLACING THE STUDENT IN  
29 REASONABLE FEAR OF PHYSICAL HARM OR BY CAUSING SUBSTANTIAL EMOTIONAL  
30 DISTRESS.  
31 (iii) HAVING AN ACTUAL AND SUBSTANTIAL DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE  
32 STUDENT'S PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH.  
33 (iv) CAUSING A SUBSTANTIAL DISRUPTION IN OR SUBSTANTIAL  
34 INTERFERENCE WITH THE ORDERLY OPERATION OF A SCHOOL.  
35 (b) INCLUDES CONDUCT BASED ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:  
36 (i) A STUDENT'S ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN,  
37 SEX, DISABILITY STATUS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, GENDER  
38 EXPRESSION, ETHNICITY OR RELIGION.  
39 (ii) OTHER DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS OF A STUDENT THAT MAY BE  
40 DEFINED BY A STATE OR LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY.  
41 (iii) A STUDENT'S ASSOCIATION WITH A PERSON OR GROUP WITH ONE OR  
42 MORE OF THE ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED CHARACTERISTICS LISTED IN ITEMS (i) AND  
43 (ii) OF THIS SUBDIVISION.

- 1           ~~3-~~ 4. "Charter holder" means a person that enters into a charter  
2 with the state board for charter schools. For the purposes of this  
3 paragraph, "person" means an individual, partnership, corporation,  
4 association or public or private organization of any kind.
- 5           ~~4-~~ 5. "Charter school" means a public school established by  
6 contract with the state board of education, the state board for charter  
7 schools, a university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of  
8 regents, a community college district or a group of community college  
9 districts pursuant to article 8 of this chapter to provide learning that  
10 will improve ~~pupit~~ STUDENT achievement.
- 11           ~~5-~~ 6. "Child with a disability" means a child with a disability as  
12 defined in section 15-761.
- 13           ~~6-~~ 7. "Class A bonds" means general obligation bonds approved by a  
14 vote of the qualified electors of a school district at an election held on  
15 or before December 31, 1998.
- 16           ~~7-~~ 8. "Class B bonds" means general obligation bonds approved by a  
17 vote of the qualified electors of a school district at an election held  
18 from and after December 31, 1998.
- 19           ~~8-~~ 9. "Competency" means a demonstrated ability in a skill at a  
20 specified performance level.
- 21           ~~9-~~ 10. "Course" means organized subject matter in which  
22 instruction is offered within a given period of time and for which credit  
23 toward promotion, graduation or certification is usually given. A course  
24 consists of knowledge selected from a subject for instructional purposes  
25 in the schools.
- 26           ~~10-~~ 11. "Course of study" means a list of required and optional  
27 subjects to be taught in the schools.
- 28           ~~11-~~ 12. "Dual enrollment course" means a college-level course that  
29 is conducted on the campus of a high school or on the campus of a career  
30 technical education district, that is applicable to an established  
31 community college academic degree or certificate program and that is  
32 transferable to a university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board  
33 of regents. A dual enrollment course that is applicable to a community  
34 college occupational degree or certificate program may be transferable to  
35 a university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents.
- 36           ~~12-~~ 13. "Elementary grades" means kindergarten programs and grades  
37 one through eight.
- 38           ~~13-~~ 14. "Fiscal year" means the year beginning July 1 and ending  
39 June 30.
- 40           ~~14-~~ 15. "Governing board" means a body organized ~~for the~~  
41 ~~government~~ TO GOVERN and ~~management of~~ MANAGE the schools within a school  
42 district or a county school superintendent in ~~the conduct of~~ CONDUCTING an  
43 accommodation school.
- 44           ~~15-~~ 16. "Lease" means an agreement for ~~conveyance~~ CONVEYING and  
45 ~~possession of~~ POSSESSING real or personal property.

1           ~~16.~~ 17. "Limited property value" means the value determined  
2 pursuant to title 42, chapter 13, article 7. ~~Limited property value shall~~  
3 ~~be~~ THAT IS used as the basis for assessing, fixing, determining and  
4 levying primary property taxes.

5           ~~17.~~ 18. "Nontest" means not relating to knowledge or skills in  
6 reading, writing, mathematics, social studies, science or any other  
7 course.

8           ~~18.~~ 19. "Parent" means the natural or adoptive parent of a child  
9 or a person who has custody of a child.

10           ~~19.~~ 20. "Person who has custody" means a parent or legal guardian  
11 of a child, a person to whom custody of the child has been given by order  
12 of a court or a person who stands in loco parentis to the child.

13           ~~20.~~ 21. "Primary property taxes" means all ad valorem taxes except  
14 for secondary property taxes.

15           ~~21.~~ 22. "Private school" means a nonpublic institution where  
16 instruction is imparted.

17           ~~22.~~ 23. "School" or "public school" means any public institution  
18 established for the purposes of offering instruction to ~~pupils~~ STUDENTS in  
19 programs for preschool children with disabilities, kindergarten programs  
20 or any combination of elementary grades or secondary grades one through  
21 twelve.

22           ~~23.~~ 24. "School district" means a political subdivision of this  
23 state with geographic boundaries THAT IS organized ~~for the purpose of the~~  
24 ~~administration~~ TO ADMINISTER, support and ~~maintenance of~~ MAINTAIN the  
25 public schools or an accommodation school.

26           ~~24.~~ 25. "Secondary grades" means grades nine through twelve.

27           ~~25.~~ 26. "Secondary property taxes" means ad valorem taxes used to  
28 pay the principal of and the interest and redemption charges on any bonded  
29 indebtedness or other lawful long-term obligation issued or incurred for a  
30 specific purpose by a school district or a community college district and  
31 amounts levied pursuant to an election to exceed a budget, expenditure or  
32 tax limitation.

33           ~~26.~~ 27. "Subject" means a division or field of organized  
34 knowledge, such as English or mathematics, or a selection from an  
35 organized body of knowledge for a course or teaching unit, such as the  
36 English novel or elementary algebra.

37           Sec. 2. Title 15, chapter 1, article 8, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
38 is amended by adding section 15-186.02, to read:

39           15-186.02. Bullying policies and procedures

40           EACH CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY SHALL PRESCRIBE AND ENFORCE  
41 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO PROHIBIT PUPILS FROM HARASSING, INTIMIDATING  
42 AND BULLYING OTHER PUPILS. THESE POLICIES MAY INCLUDE A POLICY  
43 PROHIBITING HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING AT ANY OFF-CAMPUS  
44 LOCATION OR ACTIVITY IF THE ALLEGED ACTIVITY IS REPORTED TO SCHOOL  
45 OFFICIALS AND IF THE HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING CREATES A

1 HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE ALLEGED VICTIM AT SCHOOL, INFRINGES ON THE  
2 RIGHTS OF THE ALLEGED VICTIM AT SCHOOL OR MATERIALLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY  
3 DISRUPTS THE EDUCATION PROCESS OR THE ORDERLY OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL.  
4 THESE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

5 1. A POLICY THAT PROHIBITS HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING  
6 THROUGH THE USE OF ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS ON  
7 SCHOOL GROUNDS, ON SCHOOL PROPERTY, ON SCHOOL BUSES, AT SCHOOL BUS STOPS,  
8 AT SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENTS AND ON SCHOOL COMPUTERS, NETWORKS, FORUMS AND  
9 MAILING LISTS.

10 2. A STATEMENT THAT ALL PUPILS ARE PROTECTED UNDER THESE POLICIES  
11 AND THAT BULLYING IS PROHIBITED WITHOUT REGARD TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF  
12 THE BULLYING OR THE MOTIVATION OF THE PERPETRATOR.

13 3. A PROCEDURE FOR PUPILS, PARENTS AND CHARTER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO  
14 CONFIDENTIALLY REPORT TO SCHOOL OFFICIALS INCIDENTS OF HARASSMENT,  
15 INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING. THE CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE WRITTEN  
16 FORMS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A FULL AND DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENT  
17 AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE INCIDENT.

18 4. A REQUIREMENT THAT CHARTER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES REPORT IN WRITING  
19 SUSPECTED INCIDENTS OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING TO THE  
20 APPROPRIATE SCHOOL OFFICIAL AND A DESCRIPTION OF APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINARY  
21 PROCEDURES FOR EMPLOYEES WHO FAIL TO REPORT SUSPECTED INCIDENTS THAT ARE  
22 KNOWN TO THE EMPLOYEE.

23 5. A REQUIREMENT THAT, AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR, SCHOOL  
24 OFFICIALS PROVIDE ALL PUPILS WITH A WRITTEN COPY OF THE RIGHTS,  
25 PROTECTIONS AND SUPPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE TO EACH PUPIL WHO IS AN ALLEGED  
26 VICTIM OF AN INCIDENT REPORTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

27 6. IF AN INCIDENT IS REPORTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, A  
28 REQUIREMENT THAT SCHOOL OFFICIALS, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE RULES AND  
29 FEDERAL REGULATIONS ADOPTED TO COMPLY WITH THE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS  
30 AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 (P.L. 93-380; 88 STAT. 57), NOTIFY THE ALLEGED  
31 VICTIM'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE INCIDENT AND PROVIDE THE ALLEGED VICTIM  
32 WITH A WRITTEN COPY OF THE RIGHTS, PROTECTIONS AND SUPPORT SERVICES  
33 AVAILABLE TO THAT PUPIL. TO AVOID ADDITIONAL NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES TO THE  
34 ALLEGED VICTIM'S HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AND BEFORE NOTIFYING THE ALLEGED  
35 VICTIM'S PARENT, SCHOOL OFFICIALS, IN CONSULTATION WITH ON-SITE SCHOOL  
36 COUNSELORS AND SOCIAL WORKERS, IF AVAILABLE, SHALL EVALUATE THE  
37 NOTIFICATION IN THE SAME MANNER AS ANY OTHER EDUCATIONALLY RELEVANT  
38 DECISION BY CONSIDERING THE HEALTH, WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ANY PUPIL  
39 INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT. SCHOOL OFFICIALS SHALL NOTIFY THE PARENT OR  
40 GUARDIAN OF A PUPIL WHO IS THE ALLEGED PERPETRATOR PURSUANT TO THE CHARTER  
41 SCHOOL'S DISCIPLINARY NOTIFICATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

42 7. A FORMAL PROCESS FOR DOCUMENTING REPORTED INCIDENTS OF  
43 HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING AND PROVIDING FOR THE  
44 CONFIDENTIALITY, MAINTENANCE AND DISPOSITION OF THIS DOCUMENTATION.  
45 CHARTER SCHOOLS SHALL MAINTAIN DOCUMENTATION OF ALL INCIDENTS REPORTED

1 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION FOR AT LEAST SIX YEARS. THE CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL  
2 NOT USE THAT DOCUMENTATION TO IMPOSE DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNLESS THE  
3 APPROPRIATE SCHOOL OFFICIAL HAS INVESTIGATED AND DETERMINED THAT A  
4 REPORTED INCIDENT OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING OCCURRED. IF A  
5 CHARTER SCHOOL PROVIDES DOCUMENTATION OF REPORTED INCIDENTS TO PERSONS  
6 OTHER THAN SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL  
7 REDACT ALL INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION.

8 8. A FORMAL PROCESS FOR THE APPROPRIATE SCHOOL OFFICIALS TO  
9 INVESTIGATE A SUSPECTED INCIDENT OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING,  
10 INCLUDING PROCEDURES TO TIMELY NOTIFY THE ALLEGED VICTIM AND THE ALLEGED  
11 VICTIM'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN WHEN A SCHOOL OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE BECOMES  
12 AWARE OF THE SUSPECTED INCIDENT OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING.

13 9. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES FOR PUPILS WHO HAVE ADMITTED COMMITTING  
14 OR HAVE BEEN FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED AN INCIDENT OF HARASSMENT,  
15 INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING.

16 10. A PROCEDURE THAT SETS FORTH CONSEQUENCES FOR SUBMITTING A FALSE  
17 REPORT OF AN INCIDENT OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING.

18 11. PROCEDURES DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS  
19 WHO ARE PHYSICALLY OR EMOTIONALLY HARMED, OR BOTH, AS THE RESULT OF AN  
20 INCIDENT OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING, INCLUDING, IF  
21 APPROPRIATE, PROCEDURES TO CONTACT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OR LAW  
22 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, OR BOTH.

23 12. THE SAME DEFINITION OF BULLYING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-101.

24 Sec. 3. Section 15-341, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
25 read:

26 15-341. General powers and duties; immunity; delegation

27 A. The governing board shall:

28 1. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures to govern the  
29 schools that are not inconsistent with law or rules prescribed by the  
30 state board of education.

31 2. Exclude from schools all books, publications, papers or  
32 audiovisual materials of a sectarian, partisan or denominational  
33 character. This paragraph does not prohibit the elective course ~~permitted~~  
34 ~~ALLOWED~~ by section 15-717.01.

35 3. Manage and control the school property within its district,  
36 except that a district may enter into a partnership with an entity,  
37 including a charter school, another school district or a military base, to  
38 operate a school or offer educational services in a district building,  
39 including at a vacant or partially used building, or in any building on  
40 the entity's property pursuant to a written agreement between the parties.

41 4. Acquire school furniture, apparatus, equipment, library books  
42 and supplies for the schools to use.

43 5. Prescribe the curricula and criteria for the promotion and  
44 graduation of pupils as provided in sections 15-701 and 15-701.01.

- 1           6. Furnish, repair and insure, at full insurable value, the school  
2 property of the district.
- 3           7. Construct school buildings on approval by a vote of the district  
4 electors.
- 5           8. In the name of the district, convey property belonging to the  
6 district and sold by the board.
- 7           9. Purchase school sites when authorized by a vote of the district  
8 at an election conducted as nearly as practicable in the same manner as  
9 the election provided in section 15-481 and held on a date prescribed in  
10 section 15-491, subsection E, but such authorization shall not necessarily  
11 specify the site to be purchased and such authorization shall not be  
12 necessary to exchange unimproved property as provided in section 15-342,  
13 paragraph 23.
- 14          10. Construct, improve and furnish buildings used for school  
15 purposes when such buildings or premises are leased from the national park  
16 service.
- 17          11. Purchase school sites or construct, improve and furnish school  
18 buildings from the proceeds of the sale of school property only on  
19 approval by a vote of the district electors.
- 20          12. Hold pupils to strict account for disorderly conduct on school  
21 property.
- 22          13. Discipline students for disorderly conduct on the way to and  
23 from school.
- 24          14. Except as provided in section 15-1224, deposit all monies  
25 received by the district as gifts, grants and devises with the county  
26 treasurer who shall credit the deposits as designated in the uniform  
27 system of financial records. If not inconsistent with the terms of the  
28 gifts, grants and devises given, any balance remaining after expenditures  
29 for the intended purpose of the monies have been made shall be used for  
30 reduction of school district taxes for the budget year, except that in the  
31 case of accommodation schools the county treasurer shall carry the balance  
32 forward for use by the county school superintendent for accommodation  
33 schools for the budget year.
- 34          15. Provide that, if a parent or legal guardian chooses not to  
35 accept a decision of the teacher as provided in paragraph 42 of this  
36 subsection, the parent or legal guardian may request in writing that the  
37 governing board review the teacher's decision. This paragraph does not  
38 release school districts from any liability relating to a child's  
39 promotion or retention.
- 40          16. Provide for adequate supervision over pupils in instructional  
41 and noninstructional activities by certificated or noncertificated  
42 personnel.
- 43          17. Use school monies received from the state and county school  
44 apportionment exclusively to pay salaries of teachers and other employees  
45 and contingent expenses of the district.

1           18. Annually report to the county school superintendent on or  
2 before October 1 in the manner and form and on the blanks prescribed by  
3 the superintendent of public instruction or county school superintendent.  
4 The board shall also report directly to the county school superintendent  
5 or the superintendent of public instruction whenever required.

6           19. Deposit all monies received by school districts other than  
7 student activities monies or monies from auxiliary operations as provided  
8 in sections 15-1125 and 15-1126 with the county treasurer to the credit of  
9 the school district except as provided in paragraph 20 of this subsection  
10 and sections 15-1223 and 15-1224, and the board shall expend the monies as  
11 provided by law for other school funds.

12           20. Establish bank accounts in which the board during a month may  
13 deposit miscellaneous monies received directly by the district. The board  
14 shall remit monies deposited in the bank accounts at least monthly to the  
15 county treasurer for deposit as provided in paragraph 19 of this  
16 subsection and in accordance with the uniform system of financial records.

17           21. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures for disciplinary  
18 action against a teacher who engages in conduct that is a violation of the  
19 policies of the governing board but that is not cause for dismissal of the  
20 teacher or for revocation of the certificate of the teacher. Disciplinary  
21 action may include suspension without pay for a period of time not to  
22 exceed ten school days. Disciplinary action shall not include suspension  
23 with pay or suspension without pay for a period of time longer than ten  
24 school days. The procedures shall include notice, hearing and appeal  
25 provisions for violations that are cause for disciplinary action. The  
26 governing board may designate a person or persons to act on behalf of the  
27 board on these matters.

28           22. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures for disciplinary  
29 action against an administrator who engages in conduct that is a violation  
30 of the policies of the governing board regarding duties of administrators  
31 but that is not cause for dismissal of the administrator or for revocation  
32 of the certificate of the administrator. Disciplinary action may include  
33 suspension without pay for a period of time not to exceed ten school days.  
34 Disciplinary action shall not include suspension with pay or suspension  
35 without pay for a period of time longer than ten school days. The  
36 procedures shall include notice, hearing and appeal provisions for  
37 violations that are cause for disciplinary action. The governing board  
38 may designate a person or persons to act on behalf of the board on these  
39 matters. For violations that are cause for dismissal, the provisions of  
40 notice, hearing and appeal in chapter 5, article 3 of this title ~~shall~~  
41 apply. The filing of a timely request for a hearing suspends the  
42 imposition of a suspension without pay or a dismissal pending completion  
43 of the hearing.

44           23. Notwithstanding sections 13-3108 and 13-3120, prescribe and  
45 enforce policies and procedures that prohibit a person from carrying or



1 possessing a weapon on school grounds unless the person is a peace officer  
2 or has obtained specific authorization from the school administrator.

3 24. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures relating to the  
4 health and safety of all pupils participating in district-sponsored  
5 practice sessions or games or other interscholastic athletic activities,  
6 including:

7 (a) The provision of water.

8 (b) Guidelines, information and forms, developed in consultation  
9 with a statewide private entity that supervises interscholastic  
10 activities, to inform and educate coaches, pupils and parents of the  
11 dangers of concussions and head injuries and the risks of continued  
12 participation in athletic activity after a concussion. The policies and  
13 procedures shall require that, before a pupil participates in an athletic  
14 activity, the pupil and the pupil's parent ~~must~~ sign an information form  
15 at least once each school year that states that the parent is aware of the  
16 nature and risk of concussion. The policies and procedures shall require  
17 that a pupil who is suspected of sustaining a concussion in a practice  
18 session, game or other interscholastic athletic activity be immediately  
19 removed from the athletic activity and that the pupil's parent or guardian  
20 be notified. A coach from the pupil's team or an official or a licensed  
21 health care provider may remove a pupil from play. A team parent may also  
22 remove the parent's own child from play. A pupil may return to play on  
23 the same day if a health care provider rules out a suspected concussion at  
24 the time the pupil is removed from play. On a subsequent day, the pupil  
25 may return to play if the pupil has been evaluated by and received written  
26 clearance to resume participation in athletic activity from a health care  
27 provider who has been trained in ~~the evaluation~~ EVALUATING and ~~management~~  
28 ~~of~~ MANAGING concussions and head injuries. A health care provider who is  
29 a volunteer and who provides clearance to participate in athletic activity  
30 on the day of the suspected injury or on a subsequent day is immune from  
31 civil liability with respect to all decisions made and actions taken that  
32 are based on good faith implementation of the requirements of this  
33 subdivision, except in cases of gross negligence or wanton or wilful  
34 neglect. A school district, school district employee, team coach,  
35 official or team volunteer or a parent or guardian of a team member is not  
36 subject to civil liability for any act, omission or policy undertaken in  
37 good faith to comply with the requirements of this subdivision or for a  
38 decision made or an action taken by a health care provider. A group or  
39 organization that uses property or facilities owned or operated by a  
40 school district for athletic activities shall comply with the requirements  
41 of this subdivision. A school district and its employees and volunteers  
42 are not subject to civil liability for any other person or organization's  
43 failure or alleged failure to comply with the requirements of this  
44 subdivision. This subdivision does not apply to teams that are based in  
45 another state and that participate in an athletic activity in this state.

1 For the purposes of this subdivision, athletic activity does not include  
2 dance, rhythmic gymnastics, competitions or exhibitions of academic skills  
3 or knowledge or other similar forms of physical noncontact activities,  
4 civic activities or academic activities, whether engaged in for the  
5 purposes of competition or recreation. For the purposes of this  
6 subdivision, "health care provider" means a physician who is licensed  
7 pursuant to title 32, chapter 13 or 17, an athletic trainer who is  
8 licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 41, a nurse practitioner who is  
9 licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 15, and a physician assistant who  
10 is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 25.

11 (c) Guidelines, information and forms that are developed in  
12 consultation with a statewide private entity that supervises  
13 interscholastic activities to inform and educate coaches, pupils and  
14 parents of the dangers of heat-related illnesses, sudden cardiac death and  
15 prescription opioid use. Before a pupil participates in any  
16 district-sponsored practice session or game or other interscholastic  
17 athletic activity, the pupil and the pupil's parent must be provided with  
18 information at least once each school year on the risks of heat-related  
19 illnesses, sudden cardiac death and prescription opioid addiction.

20 25. Establish an assessment, data gathering and reporting system as  
21 prescribed in chapter 7, article 3 of this title.

22 26. Provide special education programs and related services  
23 pursuant to section 15-764, subsection A to all children with disabilities  
24 as defined in section 15-761.

25 27. Administer competency tests prescribed by the state board of  
26 education for the graduation of pupils from high school.

27 28. Ensure that insurance coverage is secured for all construction  
28 projects for purposes of general liability, property damage and workers'  
29 compensation and secure performance and payment bonds for all construction  
30 projects.

31 29. Keep in the personnel file of all current and former employees  
32 who provide instruction to pupils at a school information about the  
33 employee's educational and teaching background and experience in a  
34 particular academic content subject area. A school district shall inform  
35 parents and guardians of the availability of the information and shall  
36 make the information available for inspection on request of parents and  
37 guardians of pupils enrolled at a school. This paragraph does not require  
38 any school to release personally identifiable information in relation to  
39 any teacher or employee, including the teacher's or employee's address,  
40 salary, social security number or telephone number.

41 30. Report to local law enforcement agencies any suspected crime  
42 against a person or property that is a serious offense as defined in  
43 section 13-706 or that involves a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument or  
44 serious physical injury and any conduct that poses a threat of death or  
45 serious physical injury to employees, students or anyone on the property

1 of the school. This paragraph does not limit or preclude the reporting by  
2 a school district or an employee of a school district of suspected crimes  
3 other than those required to be reported by this paragraph. For the  
4 purposes of this paragraph, "dangerous instrument", "deadly weapon" and  
5 "serious physical injury" have the same meanings prescribed in section  
6 13-105.

7 31. In conjunction with local law enforcement agencies and  
8 emergency response agencies, develop an emergency response plan for each  
9 school in the school district in accordance with minimum standards  
10 developed jointly by the department of education and the division of  
11 emergency management within the department of emergency and military  
12 affairs.

13 32. Provide written notice to the parents or guardians of all  
14 students enrolled in the school district at least ten days before a public  
15 meeting to discuss closing a school within the school district. The  
16 notice shall include the reasons for the proposed closure and the time and  
17 place of the meeting. The governing board shall fix a time for a public  
18 meeting on the proposed closure not less than ten days before voting in a  
19 public meeting to close the school. The school district governing board  
20 shall give notice of the time and place of the meeting. At the time and  
21 place designated in the notice, the school district governing board shall  
22 hear reasons for or against closing the school. The school district  
23 governing board is exempt from this paragraph if the governing board  
24 determines that the school shall be closed because it poses a danger to  
25 the health or safety of the pupils or employees of the school. A  
26 governing board may consult with the division of school facilities within  
27 the department of administration for technical assistance and for  
28 information on the impact of closing a school. The information provided  
29 from the division of school facilities within the department of  
30 administration shall not require the governing board to take or not take  
31 any action.

32 33. Incorporate instruction on Native American history into  
33 appropriate existing curricula.

34 34. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures:

35 (a) Allowing pupils who have been diagnosed with anaphylaxis by a  
36 health care provider licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 13, 14, 17 or  
37 25 or by a registered nurse practitioner licensed and certified pursuant  
38 to title 32, chapter 15 to carry and self-administer emergency  
39 medications, including epinephrine auto-injectors, while at school and at  
40 school-sponsored activities. The pupil's name on the prescription label on  
41 the medication container or on the medication device and annual written  
42 documentation from the pupil's parent or guardian to the school that  
43 authorizes possession and self-administration is sufficient proof that the  
44 pupil is entitled to ~~the possession~~ POSSESS and ~~self-administration of~~  
45 SELF-ADMINISTER the medication. The policies shall require a pupil who

1 uses an epinephrine auto-injector while at school and at school-sponsored  
2 activities to notify the nurse or the designated school staff person of  
3 the use of the medication as soon as practicable. A school district and  
4 its employees are immune from civil liability with respect to all  
5 decisions made and actions taken that are based on good faith  
6 implementation of the requirements of this subdivision, except in cases of  
7 wanton or wilful neglect.

8 (b) For the emergency administration of epinephrine auto-injectors  
9 by a trained employee of a school district pursuant to section 15-157.

10 35. Allow the possession and self-administration of prescription  
11 medication for breathing disorders in handheld inhaler devices by pupils  
12 who have been prescribed that medication by a health care professional  
13 licensed pursuant to title 32. The pupil's name on the prescription label  
14 on the medication container or on the handheld inhaler device and annual  
15 written documentation from the pupil's parent or guardian to the school  
16 that authorizes possession and self-administration ~~shall be~~ IS sufficient  
17 proof that the pupil is entitled to ~~the possession~~ POSSESS and  
18 ~~self-administration of~~ SELF-ADMINISTER the medication. A school district  
19 and its employees are immune from civil liability with respect to all  
20 decisions made and actions taken that are based on a good faith  
21 implementation of the requirements of this paragraph.

22 36. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures to prohibit pupils  
23 from harassing, intimidating and bullying other pupils. THESE POLICIES  
24 MAY INCLUDE A POLICY PROHIBITING HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING AT  
25 ANY OFF-CAMPUS LOCATION OR ACTIVITY IF THE ALLEGED ACTIVITY IS REPORTED TO  
26 SCHOOL OFFICIALS AND IF THE HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION OR BULLYING CREATES A  
27 HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE ALLEGED VICTIM AT SCHOOL, INFRINGES ON THE  
28 RIGHTS OF THE ALLEGED VICTIM AT SCHOOL OR MATERIALLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY  
29 DISRUPTS THE EDUCATION PROCESS OR THE ORDERLY OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL.  
30 THESE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

31 (a) A POLICY THAT PROHIBITS HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING  
32 THROUGH THE USE OF ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS on  
33 school grounds, on school property, on school buses, at school bus stops,  
34 at school-sponsored events and ~~activities and through the use of~~  
35 ~~electronic technology or electronic communication~~ on school computers,  
36 networks, forums and mailing lists. ~~that include the following components:~~

37 (b) A STATEMENT THAT ALL PUPILS ARE PROTECTED UNDER THESE POLICIES  
38 AND THAT BULLYING IS PROHIBITED WITHOUT REGARD TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF  
39 THE BULLYING OR THE MOTIVATION OF THE PERPETRATOR.

40 ~~(a)~~ (c) A procedure for pupils, parents and school district  
41 employees to confidentially report to school officials incidents of  
42 harassment, intimidation or bullying. The school shall make available  
43 written forms designed to provide a full and detailed description of the  
44 incident and any other relevant information about the incident.

1           ~~(b)~~ (d) A requirement that school district employees report in  
2 writing suspected incidents of harassment, intimidation or bullying to the  
3 appropriate school official and a description of appropriate disciplinary  
4 procedures for employees who fail to report suspected incidents that are  
5 known to the employee.

6           ~~(c)~~ (e) A requirement that, at the beginning of each school year,  
7 school officials provide all pupils with a written copy of the rights,  
8 protections and support services available to ~~a~~ EACH pupil who is an  
9 alleged victim of an incident reported pursuant to this paragraph.

10           ~~(d)~~ (f) If an incident is reported pursuant to this paragraph, a  
11 requirement that school officials, ~~provide a pupil who is an~~ IN COMPLIANCE  
12 WITH STATE RULES AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS ADOPTED TO COMPLY WITH THE FAMILY  
13 EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 (P.L. 93-380; 88 STAT. 57),  
14 NOTIFY THE ALLEGED VICTIM'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE INCIDENT AND PROVIDE  
15 THE alleged victim ~~of the incident~~ with a written copy of the rights,  
16 protections and support services available to that pupil. TO AVOID  
17 ADDITIONAL NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES TO THE ALLEGED VICTIM'S HEALTH AND  
18 WELL-BEING AND BEFORE NOTIFYING THE ALLEGED VICTIM'S PARENT, SCHOOL  
19 OFFICIALS, IN CONSULTATION WITH ON-SITE SCHOOL COUNSELORS AND SOCIAL  
20 WORKERS, IF AVAILABLE, SHALL EVALUATE THE NOTIFICATION IN THE SAME MANNER  
21 AS ANY OTHER EDUCATIONALLY RELEVANT DECISION BY CONSIDERING THE HEALTH,  
22 WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ANY PUPIL INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT. SCHOOL  
23 OFFICIALS SHALL NOTIFY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A PUPIL WHO IS THE  
24 ALLEGED PERPETRATOR PURSUANT TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S DISCIPLINARY  
25 NOTIFICATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

26           ~~(e)~~ (g) A formal process for documenting reported incidents of  
27 harassment, intimidation or bullying and providing for the  
28 confidentiality, maintenance and disposition of this documentation.  
29 School districts shall maintain documentation of all incidents reported  
30 pursuant to this paragraph for at least six years. The school shall not  
31 use that documentation to impose disciplinary action unless the  
32 appropriate school official has investigated and determined that ~~the~~ A  
33 reported ~~incidents~~ INCIDENT of harassment, intimidation or bullying  
34 occurred. If a school provides documentation of reported incidents to  
35 persons other than school officials or law enforcement, THE SCHOOL SHALL  
36 REDACT all individually identifiable information ~~shall be redacted~~.

37           ~~(f)~~ (h) A formal process for the appropriate school officials to  
38 investigate A suspected ~~incidents~~ INCIDENT of harassment, intimidation or  
39 bullying, including procedures ~~for notifying~~ TO TIMELY NOTIFY the alleged  
40 victim and the alleged victim's parent or guardian when a school official  
41 or employee becomes aware of the suspected incident of harassment,  
42 intimidation or bullying.

43           ~~(g)~~ (i) Disciplinary procedures for pupils who have admitted  
44 COMMITTING or HAVE been found to have committed ~~incidents~~ AN INCIDENT of  
45 harassment, intimidation or bullying.

1           ~~(j)~~ (j) A procedure that sets forth consequences for submitting A  
2 false reports REPORT of incidents AN INCIDENT of harassment, intimidation  
3 or bullying.

4           ~~(k)~~ (k) Procedures designed to protect the health and safety of  
5 pupils who are physically OR EMOTIONALLY harmed, OR BOTH, as the result of  
6 incidents AN INCIDENT of harassment, intimidation and bullying, including,  
7 if appropriate, procedures to contact emergency medical services or law  
8 enforcement agencies, or both.

9           ~~(j) Definitions of harassment, intimidation and bullying.~~

10           (l) THE SAME DEFINITION OF BULLYING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 15-101.

11           37. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures regarding  
12 changing or adopting attendance boundaries that include the following  
13 components:

14           (a) A procedure for holding public meetings to discuss attendance  
15 boundary changes or adoptions that allows public comments.

16           (b) A procedure to notify the parents or guardians of the students  
17 affected, including assurance that, if that school remains open as part of  
18 the boundary change and capacity is available, students assigned to a new  
19 attendance area may stay enrolled in their current school.

20           (c) A procedure to notify the residents of the households affected  
21 by the attendance boundary changes.

22           (d) A process for placing public meeting notices and proposed maps  
23 on the school district's website for public review, if the school district  
24 maintains a website.

25           (e) A formal process for presenting the attendance boundaries of  
26 the affected area in public meetings that allows public comments.

27           (f) A formal process for notifying the residents and parents or  
28 guardians of the affected area as to the decision of the governing board  
29 on the school district's website, if the school district maintains a  
30 website.

31           (g) A formal process for updating attendance boundaries on the  
32 school district's website within ninety days after an adopted boundary  
33 change. The school district shall send a direct link to the school  
34 district's attendance boundaries website to the department of real estate.

35           38. If the state board of education determines that the school  
36 district has committed an overexpenditure as defined in section 15-107,  
37 provide a copy of the fiscal management report submitted pursuant to  
38 section 15-107, subsection H on its website and make copies available to  
39 the public on request. The school district shall comply with a request  
40 within five business days after receipt.

41           39. Ensure that the contract for the superintendent is structured  
42 in a manner in which up to twenty percent of the total annual salary  
43 included for the superintendent in the contract is classified as  
44 performance pay. This paragraph does not require school districts to  
45 increase total compensation for superintendents. Unless the school

1 district governing board votes to implement an alternative procedure at a  
2 public meeting called for this purpose, the performance pay portion of the  
3 superintendent's total annual compensation shall be determined as follows:

4 (a) Twenty-five percent of the performance pay shall be determined  
5 based on the percentage of academic gain determined by the department of  
6 education of pupils who are enrolled in the school district compared to  
7 the academic gain achieved by the highest ranking of the fifty largest  
8 school districts in this state. For the purposes of this subdivision, the  
9 department of education shall determine academic gain by the academic  
10 growth achieved by each pupil who has been enrolled at the same school in  
11 a school district for at least five consecutive months measured against  
12 that pupil's academic results in the 2008-2009 school year. For the  
13 purposes of this subdivision, of the fifty largest school districts in  
14 this state, the school district with pupils who demonstrate the highest  
15 statewide percentage of overall academic gain measured against academic  
16 results for the 2008-2009 school year shall be assigned a score of 100 and  
17 the school district with pupils who demonstrate the lowest statewide  
18 percentage of overall academic gain measured against academic results for  
19 the 2008-2009 school year shall be assigned a score of 0.

20 (b) Twenty-five percent of the performance pay shall be determined  
21 by the percentage of parents of pupils who are enrolled at the school  
22 district who assign a letter grade of "A" to the school on a survey of  
23 parental satisfaction with the school district. The parental satisfaction  
24 survey shall be administered and scored by an independent entity that is  
25 selected by the governing board and that demonstrates sufficient expertise  
26 and experience to accurately measure the results of the survey. The  
27 parental satisfaction survey shall use standard random sampling procedures  
28 and provide anonymity and confidentiality to each parent who participates  
29 in the survey. The letter grade scale used on the parental satisfaction  
30 survey shall direct parents to assign one of the following letter grades:

31 (i) A letter grade of "A" if the school district is excellent.

32 (ii) A letter grade of "B" if the school district is above average.

33 (iii) A letter grade of "C" if the school district is average.

34 (iv) A letter grade of "D" if the school district is below average.

35 (v) A letter grade of "F" if the school district is a failure.

36 (c) Twenty-five percent of the performance pay shall be determined  
37 by the percentage of teachers who are employed at the school district and  
38 who assign a letter grade of "A" to the school on a survey of teacher  
39 satisfaction with the school. The teacher satisfaction survey shall be  
40 administered and scored by an independent entity that is selected by the  
41 governing board and that demonstrates sufficient expertise and experience  
42 to accurately measure the results of the survey. The teacher satisfaction  
43 survey shall use standard random sampling procedures and provide anonymity  
44 and confidentiality to each teacher who participates in the survey. The

1 letter grade scale used on the teacher satisfaction survey shall direct  
2 teachers to assign one of the following letter grades:

- 3 (i) A letter grade of "A" if the school district is excellent.
- 4 (ii) A letter grade of "B" if the school district is above average.
- 5 (iii) A letter grade of "C" if the school district is average.
- 6 (iv) A letter grade of "D" if the school district is below average.
- 7 (v) A letter grade of "F" if the school district is a failure.

8 (d) Twenty-five percent of the performance pay shall be determined  
9 by other criteria selected by the governing board.

10 40. Maintain and store permanent public records of the school  
11 district as required by law. Notwithstanding section 39-101, the  
12 standards adopted by the Arizona state library, archives and public  
13 records for the maintenance and storage of school district public records  
14 shall allow school districts to elect to satisfy the requirements of this  
15 paragraph by maintaining and storing these records either on paper or in  
16 an electronic format, or a combination of a paper and electronic format.

17 41. Adopt in a public meeting and implement policies for principal  
18 evaluations. Before adopting principal evaluation policies, the school  
19 district governing board shall provide opportunities for public discussion  
20 on the proposed policies. The governing board shall adopt policies that:

21 (a) Are designed to improve principal performance and improve  
22 student achievement.

23 (b) Include the use of quantitative data on the academic progress  
24 for all students, which shall account for between twenty percent and  
25 thirty-three percent of the evaluation outcomes.

26 (c) Include four performance classifications, designated as highly  
27 effective, effective, developing and ineffective.

28 (d) Describe both of the following:

29 (i) The methods used to evaluate the performance of principals,  
30 including the data used to measure student performance and job  
31 effectiveness.

32 (ii) The formula used to determine evaluation outcomes.

33 42. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures that define the  
34 duties of principals and teachers. These policies and procedures shall  
35 authorize teachers to take and maintain daily classroom attendance, make  
36 the decision to promote or retain a pupil in a grade in common school or  
37 to pass or fail a pupil in a course in high school, subject to review by  
38 the governing board in the manner provided in section 15-342,  
39 paragraph 11.

40 43. Prescribe and enforce policies and procedures for the emergency  
41 administration by an employee of a school district pursuant to section  
42 36-2267 of naloxone hydrochloride or any other opioid antagonist approved  
43 by the United States food and drug administration.

44 44. In addition to the notification requirements prescribed in  
45 paragraph 36 of this subsection, prescribe and enforce reasonable and



1 appropriate policies to notify a pupil's parent or guardian if any person  
2 engages in harassing, threatening or intimidating conduct against that  
3 pupil. A school district and its officials and employees are immune from  
4 civil liability with respect to all decisions made and actions taken that  
5 are based on good faith implementation of the requirements of this  
6 paragraph, except in cases of gross negligence or wanton or wilful  
7 neglect. A person engages in threatening or intimidating if the person  
8 threatens or intimidates by word or conduct to cause physical injury to  
9 another person or serious damage to the property of another on school  
10 grounds. A person engages in harassment if, with intent to harass or with  
11 knowledge that the person is harassing another person, the person  
12 anonymously or otherwise contacts, communicates or causes a communication  
13 with another person by verbal, electronic, mechanical, telephonic or  
14 written means in a manner that harasses on school grounds or substantially  
15 disrupts the school environment.

16 45. Each fiscal year, provide to each school district employee a  
17 total compensation statement that is broken down by category of benefit or  
18 payment and that includes, for that employee, at least all of the  
19 following:

- 20 (a) Base salary and any additional pay.
- 21 (b) Medical benefits and the value of any employer-paid portions of  
22 insurance plan premiums.
- 23 (c) Retirement benefit plans, including social security.
- 24 (d) Legally required benefits.
- 25 (e) Any paid leave.
- 26 (f) Any other payment made to or on behalf of the employee.
- 27 (g) Any other benefit provided to the employee.

28 B. Notwithstanding subsection A, paragraphs 7, 9 and 11 of this  
29 section, the county school superintendent may construct, improve and  
30 furnish school buildings or purchase or sell school sites in the conduct  
31 of an accommodation school.

32 C. If any school district acquires real or personal property,  
33 whether by purchase, exchange, condemnation, gift or otherwise, the  
34 governing board shall pay to the county treasurer any taxes on the  
35 property that were unpaid as of the date of acquisition, including  
36 penalties and interest. The lien for unpaid delinquent taxes, penalties  
37 and interest on property acquired by a school district:

- 38 1. Is not abated, extinguished, discharged or merged in the title  
39 to the property.
- 40 2. Is enforceable in the same manner as other delinquent tax liens.

41 D. The governing board may not locate a school on property that is  
42 less than one-fourth mile from agricultural land regulated pursuant to  
43 section 3-365, except that the owner of the agricultural land may agree to  
44 comply with the buffer zone requirements of section 3-365. If the owner  
45 agrees in writing to comply with the buffer zone requirements and records

1 the agreement in the office of the county recorder as a restrictive  
2 covenant running with the title to the land, the school district may  
3 locate a school within the affected buffer zone. The agreement may  
4 include any stipulations regarding the school, including conditions for  
5 future expansion of the school and changes in the operational status of  
6 the school that will result in a breach of the agreement.

7 E. A school district, its governing board members, its school  
8 council members and its employees are immune from civil liability for the  
9 consequences of ~~adoption~~ ADOPTING and ~~implementation of~~ IMPLEMENTING  
10 policies and procedures pursuant to subsection A of this section and  
11 section 15-342. This waiver does not apply if the school district, its  
12 governing board members, its school council members or its employees are  
13 guilty of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

14 F. A governing board may delegate in writing to a superintendent,  
15 principal or head teacher the authority to prescribe procedures that are  
16 consistent with the governing board's policies.

17 G. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, a school  
18 district governing board shall not take any action that would result in a  
19 reduction of pupil square footage unless the governing board notifies the  
20 school facilities oversight board established by section 41-5701.02 of the  
21 proposed action and receives written approval from the school facilities  
22 oversight board to take the action. A reduction includes an increase in  
23 administrative space that results in a reduction of pupil square footage  
24 or sale of school sites or buildings, or both. A reduction includes a  
25 reconfiguration of grades that results in a reduction of pupil square  
26 footage of any grade level. This subsection does not apply to temporary  
27 reconfiguration of grades to accommodate new school construction if the  
28 temporary reconfiguration does not exceed one year. The sale of equipment  
29 that results in a reduction that falls below the equipment requirements  
30 prescribed in section 41-5711, subsection B is subject to commensurate  
31 withholding of school district district additional assistance monies  
32 pursuant to the direction of the school facilities oversight  
33 board. Except as provided in section 15-342, paragraph 10, proceeds from  
34 the sale of school sites, buildings or other equipment shall be deposited  
35 in the school plant fund as provided in section 15-1102.

36 H. Subsections C through G of this section apply to a county board  
37 of supervisors and a county school superintendent when operating and  
38 administering an accommodation school.

39 I. A school district governing board may delegate authority in  
40 writing to the superintendent of the school district to submit plans for  
41 new school facilities to the school facilities oversight board for the  
42 purpose of certifying that the plans meet the minimum school facility  
43 adequacy guidelines prescribed in section 41-5711.

1 J. For the purposes of subsection A, paragraph 37 of this section,  
2 attendance boundaries may not be used to require students to attend  
3 certain schools based on the student's place of residence.

4 Sec. 4. Intent

5 The legislature finds and declares that:

6 1. All students have the right to participate fully in the  
7 educational process and to be free from harassment, intimidation and  
8 bullying.

9 2. A safe and civil environment in school is necessary for students  
10 to learn and to achieve high academic standards.

11 3. Harassment, intimidation and bullying, like other disruptive or  
12 violent behaviors, are forms of conduct that disrupt both a student's  
13 ability to learn and a school's ability to educate its students in a safe  
14 environment.

15 4. Staff and volunteers should be expected to demonstrate  
16 appropriate behavior, treat others with civility and respect and refuse to  
17 tolerate bullying, intimidation and harassment.

18 Sec. 5. Short title

19 This act may be cited as the "Arizona Safe Schools Act of 2022".