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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1036

schools; flags; display; civil penalty

Purpose

Imposes a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation on a school district or charter school that violates requirements to display the U.S. flag, U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights and to set aside a time for the pledge of allegiance.

Background

Statute requires a school district or charter school to: 1) display a U.S. flag in each classroom and on or near the outside of a school building during school hours and any other time as directed by school authorities; 2) place a legible copy of the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights adjacent to each 7th through 12th grade classroom's U.S. flag; and 3) set aside a specific time each day for students who wish to recite the pledge of allegiance to the U.S. flag. A displayed U.S. flag must be at least two feet by three feet and manufactured in the United States. Private schools, parochial schools and homeschools are exempt from these requirements ([A.R.S. § 15-506](#)).

Federal law prescribes requirements for the size, design and display of the U.S. flag, including time, occasion and position for display ([4 U.S.C. §§ 1-10](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Subjects, to a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation, a school district or charter school that violates the statutory requirements to display a U.S. flag, U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights and to set aside a specific time each day for the pledge of allegiance.
2. Requires the Attorney General to impose and collect the civil penalties.
3. Makes technical changes.
4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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