

REFERENCE TITLE: code writers initiative program; appropriation

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AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-249.17; APPROPRIATING MONIES; RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF EDUCATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 2, article 2, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-249.17, to read:

4 15-249.17. Code writers initiative program; grants; annual
5 report

6 A. THE CODE WRITERS INITIATIVE PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE GRANTS ON A COMPETITIVE BASIS PURSUANT
8 TO TITLE 41, CHAPTER 24, ARTICLE 1 FOR THE PURPOSES PRESCRIBED IN THIS
9 SECTION. THE INDIAN EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 EDUCATION SHALL EVALUATE GRANT APPLICATIONS AND MAKE AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS
11 TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAXIMIZE AVAILABLE FUNDING BY
12 AWARDED GRANTS TO PARTICIPANTS THAT WILL LEVERAGE STATE MONIES BY
13 SECURING GIFTS, GRANTS AND DONATIONS FROM OTHER SOURCES.

14 B. GRANTEEES IN THE CODE WRITERS INITIATIVE PROGRAM SHALL:

15 1. INTRODUCE A COMPUTER CODE WRITING CURRICULUM FOR STUDENTS IN
16 GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE.

17 2. DELIVER A TECHNOLOGY-FOCUSED EDUCATION TO NATIVE AMERICAN
18 STUDENTS THAT WILL PREPARE THE STUDENTS FOR THE GLOBAL ECONOMY. THE
19 INSTRUCTION MAY BE OFFERED THROUGH AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMMING.

20 3. INSTRUCT NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS IN COMPUTER CODE WRITING AND
21 WORK WITH INDUSTRY PARTNERS TO DEVELOP INTERNSHIPS AND PROGRAMS THAT WILL
22 BE MADE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE THE PROGRAM CURRICULUM.

23 4. INSTRUCT TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS IN A TECHNOLOGY-FOCUSED
24 CURRICULUM.

25 5. DEVELOP ASSESSMENT METRICS TO MEASURE PROGRESS TO BE USED TO
26 DETERMINE THE INITIATIVE'S EFFECTIVENESS.

27 6. INSTALL AUDIOVISUAL DISTANCE LEARNING EQUIPMENT AT KEY DELIVERY
28 POINTS TO MAXIMIZE THE NUMBER OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.

29 7. DETERMINE THE IMPACTS FROM THE INITIATIVE'S CURRICULUM AND
30 TEACHER INSTRUCTION ON STUDENTS' STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES AND GRADUATION
31 RATES.

32 8. SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE
33 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE INDIAN EDUCATION ADVISORY
34 COUNCIL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH
35 YEAR CONTAINING DETAILED INFORMATION RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
36 SUBSECTION FOR THE MOST RECENT SCHOOL YEAR.

37 Sec. 2. Appropriation; code writers initiative program;
38 exemption

39 A. The sum of \$1,000,000 is appropriated from the state general
40 fund in fiscal year 2022-2023 to the department of education for the
41 purposes of the code writers initiative program established by section
42 15-249.17, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

43 B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
44 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating
45 to lapsing of appropriations.