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HB 2459: schools; governing board members; employment Sponsor: Representative Pingerelli, LD 28

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## Overview

Stipulates a school district may not employ a person who served on the school district's governing board (governing board) during the preceding two years.

## <u>History</u>

The governing body of a school district is the governing board. To run for election to a governing board, a person must be a registered voter of Arizona and have resided in the school district for at least one year immediately prior to the election. Furthermore, a currently serving governing board member cannot serve simultaneously on another governing board or run to be a member of another governing board, unless it is the last year of their term. Statute prohibits a school district employee, including a person who provides services as an employee of a third-party contractor, or the spouse of such an employee from holding membership on the school district's governing board.

If the governing board is composed of five members, immediate family who have the same household of residence within four years cannot serve simultaneously on the same governing board. Statute establishes an exception to this rule for a small school district meeting other prescribed criteria (A.R.S. § 15-421).

Finally, a governing board member's dependent may not be employed in the same school district without consent from the governing board (A.R.S. § 15-502).

## **Provisions**

- 1. Prohibits a school district from employing, including employment through a third-party contractor, any individual who served on the school district's governing board during the preceding two years. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Allows a school district to increase the prescribed prohibition period to more than two years. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Makes technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

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