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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
A STANDARDS-REFERENCED EDUCATION PORTAL.

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

2 Section 1. Appropriation: standards-referenced education
3 portal; exemption

4 A. The sum of \$600,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in
5 fiscal year 2007-2008 to the department of education for the development of a
6 standards-referenced education portal consisting of an integrated student
7 information system, a data warehouse and a standards-referenced learning
8 management system.

9 B. The integrated student information system, data warehouse and
10 standards-referenced learning management system that are funded with the
11 monies appropriated pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be
12 delivered through a website portal that:

13 1. Is designed for access by students, parents, teachers, building
14 level administrators, school district level administrators and state level
15 administrators.

16 2. Is used to ensure that all classroom teachers are provided the
17 means to conduct planning, instruction, assessment and evaluation activities
18 using readily available resources and best practices that are aligned to
19 state standards.

20 3. Allows for the establishment and maintenance of either a customized
21 learning path or an individualized education plan for every student in this
22 state.

23 4. Provides for the collection of low-stakes baseline, formative and
24 summative data at the classroom level performance data in a fully
25 standards-referenced environment.

26 5. Includes analytical and reporting features that facilitate the
27 early identification of lack of standards mastery and the selection of
28 intervention options in real-time based on these data before course failure
29 occurs or before failure occurs on the Arizona instrument to measure
30 standards test.

31 6. Supports both existing and planned reporting capabilities at the
32 federal and state levels.

33 7. Serves as a vehicle for engaging in continual school reform
34 activities on the state, school district, school, classroom and teacher
35 levels.

36 C. All design phase activities for the system that is funded with
37 monies appropriated pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be
38 completed on or before July 1, 2008. The design phase activities shall
39 include documentation that is consistent with generally accepted software
40 development practices, including activities that lead to detailed business
41 requirements, stakeholder focus groups, detailed product requirements,
42 detailed technical requirements and a formal request for proposals for
43 design, test and release activities.

1 D. The initial release of the product that will result from the system
2 that is funded with monies appropriated pursuant to subsection A of this
3 section shall occur no later than July 1, 2010 for use by the department of
4 education, school districts and charter schools.

5 E. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
6 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to
7 lapsing of appropriations.