

State of Arizona  
Senate  
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# SENATE BILL 1512

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 8, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-1044; AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 15-1650 AND 15-1650.01; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS; RELATING TO COMPUTER-BASED 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 9, article 8, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
3 is amended by adding section 15-1044, to read:

4 15-1044. Integrated instructional and data system warehouse

5 SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL  
6 DEVELOP AND SUPPORT A STATEWIDE INTEGRATED INSTRUCTIONAL DATA SYSTEM TO ACT  
7 AS A DEPOSITORY FOR E-LEARNING INFORMATION AND TO ACT AS A DATA CENTERED  
8 WAREHOUSE TO ENHANCE INFORMATION ABOUT AND COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ALL PUBLIC  
9 SCHOOLS IN THIS STATE.

10 Sec. 2. Title 15, chapter 13, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended by adding sections 15-1650 and 15-1650.01, to read:

12 15-1650. Digital curriculum institute; fund

13 A. THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ESTABLISH A DIGITAL CURRICULUM  
14 INSTITUTE WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM IN THIS STATE. THE DIGITAL CURRICULUM  
15 INSTITUTE SHALL ACT AS A RESOURCE FOR THE PEOPLE IN THIS STATE, COMPILE  
16 DIGITAL CURRICULUM INFORMATION AND PROVIDE DIGITAL CURRICULUM EXPERTS TO  
17 EVALUATE DIGITAL CURRICULA FOR APPLICATION IN THE CLASSROOM. THE RESULTS OF  
18 THE EVALUATION SHALL BE PUBLISHED ON A WEB SITE MAINTAINED BY THE INSTITUTE  
19 IN A MANNER IN WHICH THE INFORMATION IS ACCESSIBLE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND  
20 CHARTER SCHOOLS. THE EVALUATION SHALL INCLUDE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE  
21 DIGITAL CURRICULUM ACCOMPLISHES EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:

22 1. INCREASES ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE.

23 2. SUPPORTS THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF  
24 EDUCATION.

25 3. IS GRADE LEVEL APPROPRIATE.

26 4. IS EASY TO USE.

27 5. MOTIVATES THE STUDENT TO LEARN.

28 6. IS TRANSFERABLE.

29 7. PROVIDES FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT DATA TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS.

30 8. ASSESSES ALL ASPECTS OF THE CURRENT STATUS OF DIGITAL CURRICULUM  
31 AND TECHNOLOGY USE IN THIS STATE.

32 B. THE DIGITAL CURRICULUM INSTITUTE SHALL PROVIDE AN EXTENSION SERVICE  
33 TO DELIVER ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT TO SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CHARTER SCHOOL  
34 CURRICULUM DIRECTORS AND TEACHERS IN THE CLASSROOMS.

35 C. THE DIGITAL CURRICULUM INSTITUTE MAY COORDINATE WITH OTHER STATE  
36 AGENCIES, INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE EXPERTISE IN DIGITAL  
37 CURRICULUM AND EXTENSION SERVICES.

38 D. THE E-LEARNING FUND IS ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF MONIES  
39 APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE AND MONIES RECEIVED FROM ANY OTHER PUBLIC AND  
40 PRIVATE SOURCES. THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.  
41 THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS MAY ACCEPT AND DEPOSIT INTO THE FUND FEDERAL  
42 MONIES AND PRIVATE GRANTS, GIFTS, CONTRIBUTIONS AND DEVICES. THE ARIZONA  
43 BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL DISTRIBUTE MONIES FROM THE FUND FOR THE PURPOSES  
44 PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION. AFTER THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS HAS  
45 DISTRIBUTED ONE MILLION DOLLARS OF THE MONIES APPROPRIATED TO CARRY OUT THE

1 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION IN ANY SINGLE FISCAL YEAR, THE ARIZONA BOARD OF  
2 REGENTS MAY DISTRIBUTE MATCHING MONIES IN THAT FISCAL YEAR, SUBJECT TO  
3 LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION, IF THE BOARD OF REGENTS DISTRIBUTES ONE ADDITIONAL  
4 DOLLAR OF APPROPRIATED MONIES FOR EVERY TWO DOLLARS DEPOSITED INTO THE FUND  
5 FROM PRIVATE SOURCES. MONIES IN THE FUND DO NOT REVERT TO THE STATE GENERAL  
6 FUND AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR.

7 15-1650.01. Arizona e-learning task force; duties

8 A. THE ARIZONA E-LEARNING TASK FORCE IS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE ARIZONA  
9 BOARD OF REGENTS. THE TASK FORCE SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

10 1. THREE PERSONS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, ONE OF WHOM SHALL  
11 BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF A PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR CHARTER SCHOOL THAT PROVIDES  
12 INSTRUCTION IN GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE AND ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE A  
13 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN TECHNOLOGY  
14 ISSUES.

15 2. THREE PERSONS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, ONE  
16 OF WHOM SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF A PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR CHARTER SCHOOL THAT  
17 PROVIDES INSTRUCTION IN GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE AND ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE A  
18 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN TECHNOLOGY  
19 ISSUES.

20 3. THREE PERSONS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
21 REPRESENTATIVES, ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF A PUBLIC, PRIVATE  
22 OR CHARTER SCHOOL THAT PROVIDES INSTRUCTION IN GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE AND  
23 ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHO HAS  
24 EXPERTISE IN TECHNOLOGY ISSUES.

25 4. ONE MEMBER OF THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE  
26 ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS.

27 5. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION OR THE SUPERINTENDENT'S  
28 DESIGNEE.

29 B. THE TASK FORCE SHALL ANNUALLY ELECT A CHAIRPERSON FROM AMONG THE  
30 MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE. THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS AND THE DEPARTMENT  
31 OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE STAFF SUPPORT FOR THE TASK FORCE.

32 C. THE INITIAL MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPHS  
33 1, 2 AND 3 SHALL ASSIGN THEMSELVES BY LOT TO TERMS OF ONE, TWO AND THREE  
34 YEARS IN OFFICE. ALL SUBSEQUENT MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A,  
35 PARAGRAPH 1, 2 OR 3 SERVE THREE YEAR TERMS. THE CHAIRPERSON SHALL NOTIFY THE  
36 APPOINTING AUTHORITY OF THESE TERMS.

37 D. THE TASK FORCE SHALL:

38 1. EXAMINE E-LEARNING PROGRAMS IN OTHER STATES.

39 2. ANALYZE POTENTIAL METHODS TO IMPLEMENT E-LEARNING PROGRAMS IN THIS  
40 STATE.

41 3. DEVELOP INNOVATIVE E-LEARNING SOLUTIONS.

42 E. TASK FORCE MEMBERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR COMPENSATION, BUT TASK  
43 FORCE MEMBERS WHO ARE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPHS 1, 2, 3  
44 AND 4 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES PURSUANT TO TITLE 38,

1 CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 FROM MONIES APPROPRIATED TO THE ARIZONA BOARD OF  
2 REGENTS.

3 Sec. 3. Appropriation; department of education; integrated  
4 instructional and data system warehouse

5 The sum of \$1,900,000 is appropriated from the state general fund to  
6 the department of education in fiscal year 2006-2007 to carry out the  
7 purposes of section 15-1044, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

8 Sec. 4. Appropriation; board of regents; digital curriculum  
9 institute; exemption

10 A. The sum of \$4,000,000 is appropriated from the state general fund  
11 to the Arizona board of regents in fiscal year 2006-2007 to carry out the  
12 purposes of section 15-1650, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

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

16 C. After the Arizona board of regents has distributed \$1,000,000 of  
17 the monies appropriated pursuant to subsection A of this section in fiscal  
18 year 2006-2007, the Arizona board of regents may distribute matching monies  
19 in fiscal year 2006-2007 not to exceed an additional \$3,000,000 if the board  
20 of regents distributes one additional dollar of appropriated monies for every  
21 two dollars deposited into the fund from private sources.