

REFERENCE TITLE: schools; multiple birth siblings; classrooms

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Introduced by
Representative Schapira

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-810; RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 8, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 15-810, to read:
4 15-810. Classroom placement of multiple birth siblings:
5 definition
6 A. A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL PLACE MULTIPLE BIRTH
7 SIBLINGS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE SAME SCHOOL AND WHO ARE IN THE SAME GRADE
8 LEVEL IN THE SAME CLASSROOM IF THEY MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE
9 CLASS OR IN SEPARATE CLASSROOMS AS REQUESTED BY THE PARENT OF THE MULTIPLE
10 BIRTH SIBLINGS. THE REQUEST MUST BE MADE AT LEAST FIVE BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE
11 THE FIRST DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR OR FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE FIRST DAY OF
12 ATTENDANCE IF THE MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS ARE ENROLLED AFTER THE START OF THE
13 SCHOOL YEAR. A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL IS NOT REQUIRED TO PLACE
14 MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS IN SEPARATE CLASSROOMS IF THE REQUEST WOULD REQUIRE
15 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL CLASS TO THE GRADE
16 LEVEL OF THE MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS.
17 B. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL MAY RECOMMEND CLASSROOM
18 PLACEMENT TO THE PARENT AND PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION ADVICE.
19 C. AT THE END OF THE INITIAL GRADING PERIOD, IF THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL,
20 IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CLASSROOM TEACHER, DETERMINES THAT THE REQUESTED
21 CLASSROOM PLACEMENT IS DISRUPTIVE TO THE SCHOOL, THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MAY
22 REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
23 CHARTER SCHOOL DETERMINE THE CLASSROOM PLACEMENT OF THE MULTIPLE BIRTH
24 SIBLINGS.
25 D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS" MEANS
26 TWINS, TRIPLETS, QUADRUPLETS, QUINTUPLETS OR OTHER SIBLINGS THAT RESULT FROM
27 A MULTIPLE BIRTH.