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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-746, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL ASSESSMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY.

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-746, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-746. School report cards

5 A. Each school shall distribute an annual report card that contains at
6 least the following information:

7 1. A description of the school's regular, magnet and special
8 instructional programs.

9 2. A description of the current academic goals of the school.

10 3. A summary of the results achieved by pupils enrolled at the school
11 during the prior three school years as measured by the Arizona instrument to
12 measure standards test and the nationally standardized norm-referenced
13 achievement test as designated by the state board and as reported in the
14 annual report prescribed by section 15-743, a summary of the pupil progress
15 on an ongoing and annual basis, showing the trends in gain or loss in pupil
16 achievement over time in reading, language arts and mathematics for all years
17 in which pupils are enrolled in the school district for an entire school year
18 and for which this information is available and a summary of the pupil
19 progress for pupils not enrolled in a district for an entire school year.

20 ~~4. The school's current expenditures per pupil for classroom supplies,~~
21 ~~classroom instruction excluding classroom supplies, administration, support~~
22 ~~services-students, and all other support services and operations. The~~
23 ~~current expenditures per pupil by school shall include allocation of the~~
24 ~~district wide expenditures to each school, as provided by the district. The~~
25 ~~report shall include a comparison of the school to the state amount for a~~
26 ~~similar type of district as calculated in section 15-255. The method of~~
27 ~~calculating these per pupil amounts and the allocation of expenditures shall~~
28 ~~be as prescribed in the uniform system of financial records.~~

29 ~~5.~~ 4. The attendance rate of pupils enrolled at the school as
30 reflected in the school's average daily membership as defined in section
31 15-901.

32 ~~6.~~ 5. The total number of incidents that occurred on the school
33 grounds, at school bus stops, on school buses and at school sponsored events
34 and that required the contact of a local, county, tribal, state or federal
35 law enforcement officer pursuant to section 13-3411, subsection F, section
36 13-3620, section 15-341, subsection A, paragraph 31 or section 15-515. The
37 total number of incidents reported shall only include reports that law
38 enforcement officers report to the school are supported by probable cause.
39 For the purposes of this paragraph, a certified peace officer who serves as a
40 school resource officer is a law enforcement officer. A school may provide
41 clarifying information if the school has a school resource officer on campus.

42 ~~7.~~ 6. The percentage of pupils who have either graduated to the next
43 grade level or graduated from high school.

1 ~~8. A description of the social services available at the school site.~~
2 ~~9.~~ 7. The school calendar, including the length of the school day and
3 hours of operations.
4 ~~10.~~ 8. The total number of pupils enrolled at the school during the
5 previous school year.
6 ~~11. The transportation services available.~~
7 ~~12. Beginning in the 2000-2001 school year and until July 1, 2006, the~~
8 ~~reading instruction programs used by the school for kindergarten programs and~~
9 ~~grades one, two and three, pursuant to section 15-704. The report card shall~~
10 ~~include a district comparison of test scores among the different programs of~~
11 ~~reading instruction and shall identify the program of reading instruction~~
12 ~~used in each classroom.~~
13 ~~13. A description of the responsibilities of parents of children~~
14 ~~enrolled at the school.~~
15 ~~14. A description of the responsibilities of the school to the parents~~
16 ~~of the children enrolled at the school, including dates the report cards are~~
17 ~~delivered to the home.~~
18 ~~15. A description of the composition and duties of the school council~~
19 ~~as prescribed in section 15-351 if such a school council exists.~~
20 ~~16. For the most recent year available, the average current expenditure~~
21 ~~per pupil for administrative functions compared to the predicted average~~
22 ~~current expenditure per pupil for administrative functions according to an~~
23 ~~analysis of administrative cost data by the joint legislative budget~~
24 ~~committee staff.~~
25 ~~17. If the school provides instruction to pupils in kindergarten~~
26 ~~programs and grades one through three, the ratio of pupils to teachers in~~
27 ~~each classroom where instruction is provided in kindergarten programs and~~
28 ~~grades one through three.~~
29 ~~18. The average class size per grade level for all grade levels,~~
30 ~~kindergarten programs and grades one through eight. For the purposes of this~~
31 ~~paragraph, "average class size" means the weighted average of each class.~~
32 B. The department of education shall develop a standardized report
33 card format that meets the requirements of subsection A of this section. The
34 department shall modify the standardized report card as necessary on an
35 annual basis. The department shall distribute to each school in this state a
36 copy of the standardized report card that includes the required test scores
37 for each school. Additional copies of the standardized report card shall be
38 available on request.
39 C. After each school has completed the report card distributed to it
40 by the department of education, the school, in addition to distributing the
41 report card as prescribed in subsection A of this section, shall send a copy
42 of the report card to the department. The department shall prepare an annual
43 report that contains the report card from each school in this state.

1 D. The school shall distribute report cards to parents of pupils
2 enrolled at the school, ~~no later than the last day of school of each fiscal~~
3 ~~year,~~ MAKE THE REPORT CARDS AVAILABLE TO PARENTS ELECTRONICALLY and ~~shall~~
4 present a summary of the contents of the report cards at an annual public
5 meeting held at the school. The school shall give notice at least two weeks
6 before the public meeting that clearly states the purposes, time and place of
7 the meeting.