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## **REPRESENTATIVE WENINGER INTRODUCES BILL THAT CREATES TAX CREDIT FOR TEACHERS**

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX (Friday, January 22, 2016)** – Representative Jeff Weninger has introduced HB2151, which creates a tax credit for teachers.

The tax credit would apply for K-12 teachers who purchase educational supplies and materials and is then used in the classroom. Any purchases of markers, notebooks, tools, etc. used by students in classroom for educational purposes will be applied to the tax credit.

HB2151 will allow K-12 teachers to claim an income tax credit, up to \$400.00 per teacher, for any school supplies or materials they purchased and used in the classroom. If a couple files a joint return, and are both qualified teachers with eligible expenses, they may include up to \$400 in expenses per spouse. Additionally, if the tax credit for educators exceeds the taxes owed, the unused portion of the credit may be carried over into future tax years.

Representative Weninger stated, “Our teachers work incredibly hard on behalf of our children. Teachers shouldn't have to purchase supplies for their classrooms but we know many of them do. This bill will provide a well-deserved tax credit to our hard working teachers.”

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