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school districts; property; peaceful protesting

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# SENATE BILL 1617

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 3, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 15-341.02; RELATING TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

(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 3, article 3, Arizona Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-341.02, to read:  
4 15-341.02. Peaceful protesting; school property; governing  
5 board and school-related meetings; definition  
6 A. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY NOT EJECT  
7 FROM SCHOOL PROPERTY OR FROM THE VICINITY OF ANY OTHER LOCATION WHERE A  
8 SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OR ANY OTHER SCHOOL-RELATED  
9 MEETING IS TAKING PLACE OR TAKE ANY OTHER ADVERSE ACTION AGAINST A PERSON  
10 OR A GROUP OF PEOPLE ENGAGING IN PEACEFUL PROTESTING AFTER SCHOOL HOURS.  
11 B. THE ACT OF PEACEFUL PROTESTING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AFTER SCHOOL  
12 HOURS OR IN THE VICINITY OF ANY OTHER LOCATION WHERE A SCHOOL DISTRICT  
13 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OR ANY OTHER SCHOOL-RELATED MEETING IS TAKING  
14 PLACE AFTER SCHOOL HOURS DOES NOT VIOLATE SECTION 13-2911.  
15 C. A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY NOT REQUIRE A PERSON OR A GROUP OF PEOPLE  
16 TO APPLY, REQUEST A PERMIT OR SECURE ANY OTHER FORM OF AUTHORIZATION TO  
17 ENGAGE IN PEACEFUL PROTESTING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AFTER SCHOOL HOURS OR IN  
18 THE VICINITY OF ANY OTHER LOCATION WHERE A SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD  
19 MEETING OR ANY OTHER SCHOOL-RELATED MEETING IS TAKING PLACE AFTER SCHOOL  
20 HOURS.  
21 D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "PEACEFUL PROTESTING" MEANS  
22 PROTESTING THAT IS CHARACTERIZED BY ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:  
23 1. DOES NOT POSE AN OBVIOUS THREAT TO PERSONS.  
24 2. DOES NOT DAMAGE PROPERTY.  
25 3. DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH OR DISRUPT ACTIVITIES OCCURRING ON  
26 SCHOOL PROPERTY OR IN THE VICINITY OF ANY OTHER LOCATION WHERE A SCHOOL  
27 DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OR ANY OTHER SCHOOL-RELATED MEETING IS  
28 TAKING PLACE.