

REFERENCE TITLE: pupils with chronic health conditions

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Introduced by
Senator Boyer

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-346, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARDS.

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-346, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-346. Policies and procedures concerning pupils with
5 chronic health conditions; definition

6 A. The governing board shall adopt policies and procedures
7 concerning pupils with chronic health ~~problems~~ **CONDITIONS** in consultation
8 with parents, teachers and at least one health professional. The policies
9 and procedures shall be designed to provide continuing learning for pupils
10 with chronic health ~~problems~~ **CONDITIONS** while they are absent from school
11 and to provide for the integration of pupils with chronic health ~~problems~~
12 **CONDITIONS** into the regular education program as much as possible. The
13 policies and procedures shall include provisions for:

14 1. Homework availability to ensure that pupils with chronic health
15 ~~problems~~ **CONDITIONS** have the opportunity to keep up with assignments and
16 avoid losing credit because of their absence from school.

17 2. Flexibility in physical education activity requirements so that
18 pupils with chronic health ~~problems~~ **CONDITIONS** may participate in the
19 regular physical education program to the extent that their health ~~permits~~
20 **ALLOWS**.

21 B. ~~Nothing in~~ This section ~~shall be construed to~~ **DOES NOT** obstruct,
22 interfere with or override the rights of parents or guardians concerning
23 the education and health care of pupils with chronic health ~~problems~~
24 **CONDITIONS**. ~~Nothing in~~ This section ~~shall be construed to~~ **DOES NOT**
25 authorize school personnel to either:

26 1. Authorize absences from school for a pupil with a chronic health
27 ~~problem~~ **CONDITION** without the prior consent of the pupil's parent or
28 guardian.

29 2. Recommend, prescribe or provide medication to a pupil with a
30 chronic health ~~problem~~ **CONDITION** without the prior consent of the pupil's
31 parent or guardian.

32 C. For the purposes of this section, "pupils with chronic health
33 ~~problems~~ **CONDITIONS**" means:

34 1. Pupils who are not homebound, ~~—~~ but who are unable to attend
35 regular classes for intermittent periods of one or more consecutive days
36 because of illness, disease, pregnancy complications or accident as
37 certified by a health professional who is licensed pursuant to title 32,
38 chapter 7, 8, 13, 14, 17 or 25 or a registered nurse practitioner who is
39 licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 15.

40 2. Pupils who suffer from a condition requiring management on a
41 long-term basis as certified by a health professional who is licensed
42 pursuant to title 32, chapter 7, 8, 13, 14, 17 or 25 or a registered nurse
43 practitioner who is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 15.

1 3. Pupils who have an infant with a severe health ~~problem~~ **CONDITION**
2 as certified by a health professional who is licensed pursuant to title
3 32, chapter 7, 8, 13, 14, 17 or 25 or a registered nurse practitioner who
4 is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 15.