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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.