

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2786
(Reference to House engrossed bill)

1 Page 4, after line 15, insert:

2 "Sec. 2. Section 15-184, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-184. Charter schools; admissions requirements; parental
5 classroom visits; teacher training; posting;
6 definition

7 A. A charter school shall enroll all eligible pupils who submit a
8 timely application, unless the number of applications exceeds the capacity
9 of a program, class, grade level or building.

10 B. A charter school shall give enrollment preference to pupils who
11 are returning to the charter school in the second or any subsequent year of
12 its operation and to siblings of pupils who are already enrolled in the
13 charter school.

14 C. A charter school may give enrollment preference to children who
15 are in foster care or meet the definition of unaccompanied youth prescribed
16 in the McKinney-Vento homeless assistance act (42 United States Code
17 section 11434a).

18 D. A charter school may give enrollment preference to and reserve
19 capacity for pupils who either:

20 1. Are children, grandchildren or legal wards of any of the
21 following:

22 (a) Employees of the school.

23 (b) Employees of the charter holder.

24 (c) Members of the governing body of the school.

1 (d) Directors, officers, partners or board members of the charter
2 holder.

3 2. Attended another charter school or are the siblings of that pupil
4 if the charter school previously attended by the pupil has the identical
5 charter holder, board and governing board membership as the enrolling
6 charter school or is managed by the same educational management
7 organization, charter management organization or educational service
8 provider as determined by the charter authorizer.

9 E. If remaining capacity is insufficient to enroll all pupils who
10 submit a timely application, the charter school shall select pupils through
11 an equitable selection process such as a lottery except that preference
12 shall be given to siblings of a pupil who is selected through an equitable
13 selection process such as a lottery.

14 F. Except as provided in subsections A through D of this section, a
15 charter school shall not limit admission based on ethnicity, national
16 origin, gender, income level, disabling condition, proficiency in the
17 English language or athletic ability.

18 G. A charter school may limit admission to pupils within a given age
19 group or grade level.

20 H. A charter school may provide instruction to pupils of a single
21 gender with the approval of the sponsor of the charter school. An existing
22 charter school may amend its charter to provide instruction to pupils of a
23 single gender and, if approved by the sponsor of the charter school, may
24 provide instruction to pupils of a single gender at the beginning of the
25 next school year.

26 I. A charter school may refuse to admit any pupil who has been
27 expelled from another educational institution or who is in the process of
28 being expelled from another educational institution.

29 J. A charter school governing body must develop and adopt in a
30 public meeting policies to allow for visits, tours and observations of all
31 classrooms by parents of enrolled pupils and parents who wish to enroll
32 their children in the charter school unless a visit, tour or observation

1 threatens the health and safety of pupils and staff. These policies and
2 procedures must be easily accessible from the home page on each school's
3 website.

4 K. IF A CHARTER SCHOOL REQUIRES, ENDORSES, RECOMMENDS, ENCOURAGES,
5 FUNDS, FACILITATES OR PROVIDES A TRAINING FOR TEACHERS OR SCHOOL
6 ADMINISTRATORS, THE CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY SHALL ADOPT A POLICY THAT
7 PRESCRIBES PROCEDURES BY WHICH PARENTS ARE NOTIFIED OF THE TRAINING AND
8 GIVEN ACCESS TO ANY PRINTED OR DIGITAL MATERIALS THAT ARE USED FOR THE
9 TRAINING. THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED IN
10 AN ELECTRONIC FORM. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "TRAINING":

11 1. MEANS A CLASS, A SEMINAR, A WEBINAR, IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION OR
12 PRINTED OR DIGITAL MATERIAL THAT ADDRESSES CURRICULA, TEACHING METHODS,
13 CLASSROOM STRATEGIES, STUDENT DISCIPLINE, LEARNING ENVIRONMENT OR SOCIAL
14 AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING, INCLUDING TRAINING RELATED TO RACIAL, SEXUAL,
15 GENDER IDENTITY, POLITICAL OR SOCIAL DUTIES.

16 2. DOES NOT INCLUDE TRAINING IN WHICH A TEACHER OR SCHOOL
17 ADMINISTRATOR PARTICIPATES OUTSIDE OF THE CONTEXT OF THE TEACHER'S OR
18 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICIAL DUTIES."

19 Amend title to conform

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