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Introduced by
Representatives Gress: Cook, Pingerelli, Smith, Wilmeth

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-120.04; RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

(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 1, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-120.04, to read:
4 15-120.04. Administrative contracts; school districts;
5 charter schools; early termination; definition
6 A. A SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OR CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING
7 BODY SHALL INCLUDE IN EACH ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT THAT HAS A TERM
8 EXCEEDING ONE YEAR A PROVISION THAT:
9 1. ALLOWS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL TO RESCIND OR
10 TERMINATE THE CONTRACT IF THE CHARTER SCHOOL OR ONE OR MORE SCHOOLS
11 OPERATED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED A LETTER GRADE OF D OR
12 F PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-241.
13 2. STIPULATES THAT IF A CONTRACT IS TERMINATED PURSUANT TO
14 PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL IS
15 NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES FOR THE EARLY TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT OR FOR
16 OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CONTRACT.
17 B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT"
18 MEANS AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL
19 AND AN ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL INCLUDING,
20 THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ANY EMPLOYEE WITH KEY DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY
21 OVER ALL OR PART OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL OPERATIONS.
22 Sec. 2. Applicability
23 This act applies to any new administrative contract executed after
24 the effective date of this act.