

REFERENCE TITLE: *Arizona criminal justice academy*

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## **HB 2422**

Introduced by  
Representative Gress

**AN ACT**

**AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 15-1650.07; RELATING TO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.**

(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 13, article 2, Arizona Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-1650.07, to read:

4 15-1650.07. Arizona criminal justice academy; tuition and  
5 fees scholarships; fund; reporting  
6 requirements; definitions

7 A. ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS SHALL IMPLEMENT AN ARIZONA  
8 CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY TO INCENTIVIZE STUDENTS TO ENTER THE CRIMINAL  
9 JUSTICE PROFESSION AND TO COMMIT TO WORK IN THIS STATE. THE ARIZONA BOARD  
10 OF REGENTS, IN CONSULTATION WITH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS,  
11 SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT CENTRALIZED ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES FOR THE  
12 ACADEMY, INCLUDING:

13 1. A MARKETING AND PROMOTION PLAN TO RECRUIT STUDENTS FOR THE  
14 ACADEMY.

15 2. DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING.

16 3. TRACKING POSTGRADUATION SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.

17 4. COORDINATING INDUCTION SERVICES.

18 5. DISTRIBUTING MONIES IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY FUND  
19 BETWEEN ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS.

20 6. COLLECTING REIMBURSEMENT FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO FAIL TO MEET  
21 SERVICE OBLIGATIONS.

22 B. THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY MAY INCLUDE NEW OR EXISTING  
23 CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS THAT USE PROVEN, RESEARCH-BASED MODELS OF BEST  
24 PRACTICES ALREADY BEING IMPLEMENTED. EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY  
25 INSTITUTION MAY DEVELOP A PORTFOLIO OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS TO OFFER  
26 AS PART OF THE ACADEMY. EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION THAT  
27 ADMITS STUDENTS TO THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY MAY GIVE PRIORITY  
28 TO SENIOR AND JUNIOR STUDENTS BUT MAY NOT EXCLUDE SOPHOMORE AND FRESHMAN  
29 STUDENTS.

30 C. EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION SHALL DEVELOP FORMALIZED  
31 PARTNERSHIPS WITH CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES IN THIS STATE TO BUILD  
32 COMMITMENTS FOR EMPLOYMENT ON A STUDENT'S COMPLETION OF THE ARIZONA  
33 CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY. THE TARGETED DEPLOYMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
34 PROFESSIONALS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE ACADEMY SHALL BE BASED ON THE NEEDS  
35 OF EACH CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCY AND THE COMMUNITY THAT IS BEING SERVED AS  
36 WELL AS THE INDIVIDUAL SKILLS OF EACH CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONAL.

37 D. EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION SHALL PROVIDE TO EACH  
38 STUDENT WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY AN ANNUAL  
39 SCHOLARSHIP UP TO THE ACTUAL COST OF TUITION AND FEES FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWO  
40 ACADEMIC YEARS OR FOUR SEMESTERS FOR GRADUATE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS, UP TO  
41 THE ACTUAL COST OF TUITION AND FEES FOR A MAXIMUM OF FOUR ACADEMIC YEARS  
42 OR EIGHT SEMESTERS FOR UNDERGRADUATE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND UP TO THE  
43 ACTUAL COST OF TUITION AND FEES FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWO ACADEMIC YEARS OR  
44 FOUR SEMESTERS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS FOR TUITION AND FEES  
45 ASSOCIATED WITH THE STUDENT'S PROGRAM OF STUDY, AFTER ALL OTHER FINANCIAL

1 GIFTS, AID OR GRANTS RECEIVED BY THAT STUDENT. SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THIS  
2 SUBSECTION ARE SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

3 1. IF THE STUDENT DOES NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE ACADEMIC YEAR  
4 IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING, THE STUDENT SHALL REIMBURSE THE ARIZONA BOARD  
5 OF REGENTS FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR TUITION AND FEES  
6 THE STUDENT RECEIVED FOR THAT YEAR.

7 2. FOR EACH ACADEMIC YEAR THAT THE STUDENT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES  
8 AND FOR WHICH THE STUDENT RECEIVES A SCHOLARSHIP FOR ALL TUITION AND FEES,  
9 THE STUDENT MUST AGREE TO WORK FOR ONE FULL YEAR IN A CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
10 PROFESSION IN THIS STATE. FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE WORKING IN A CRIMINAL  
11 JUSTICE PROFESSION AND RECEIVING THE SCHOLARSHIP CONCURRENTLY, THE  
12 COMMITMENT PERIOD BEGINS AFTER GRADUATION FROM THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL  
13 JUSTICE ACADEMY.

14 3. IF A STUDENT ENROLLS IN A SUMMER TERM, THAT TERM MAY NOT BE  
15 INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATION OF THE STUDENT'S POSTGRADUATION PUBLIC SERVICE  
16 COMMITMENT.

17 4. IF THE SCHOLARSHIP DOES NOT COVER REMAINING TUITION AND FEE  
18 COSTS AFTER OTHER AID RECEIVED, THE ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION MAY  
19 NOT CHARGE STUDENTS THE REMAINING DIFFERENCE. IF THE SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT  
20 EXCEEDS TUITION AND FEE COSTS AT AN ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION,  
21 THE ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION MAY USE THE REMAINING AMOUNT TO  
22 SUPPORT ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY COSTS.

23 5. IF THE STUDENT DOES NOT FULFILL THE STUDENT'S OBLIGATION TO WORK  
24 IN A CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSION IN THIS STATE, THE STUDENT MUST REIMBURSE  
25 THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE PROPORTIONAL AMOUNT OF THE  
26 SCHOLARSHIP FOR TUITION AND FEES THAT THE STUDENT RECEIVED THAT  
27 CORRESPONDS TO THE NUMBER OF YEARS THE STUDENT AGREED TO WORK IN A  
28 CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSION IN THIS STATE BUT DID NOT WORK IN A CRIMINAL  
29 JUSTICE PROFESSION IN THIS STATE.

30 6. IF THE STUDENT IS PHYSICALLY OR MENTALLY UNABLE TO FULFILL THE  
31 REQUIREMENTS OF THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY, THE ARIZONA BOARD OF  
32 REGENTS SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR ASSESSING THE STUDENT'S ABILITY TO  
33 REPAY THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RECEIVED AND SHALL DETERMINE ANY TERMS OF  
34 REPAYMENT.

35 7. THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR  
36 DEFERRING SERVICE OR REPAYMENT BASED ON FACTORS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD.

37 E. THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY FUND IS ESTABLISHED  
38 CONSISTING OF LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
39 ADMINISTERING THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY. MONIES IN THE FUND  
40 ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF  
41 SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS. THE ARIZONA BOARD  
42 OF REGENTS SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND AND SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR  
43 DISTRIBUTING MONIES IN THE FUND TO ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS  
44 EACH FISCAL YEAR TO FUND THE COSTS OF THE ACADEMY. MONIES IN THE FUND MAY  
45 BE USED ONLY FOR:

1           1. REIMBURSING ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIPS THAT  
2 COVER THE BALANCE OF TUITION AND FEES FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE  
3 ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY AFTER ALL OTHER GIFTS AND AID RECEIVED.  
4 REIMBURSEMENT FOR AN ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDED  
5 BY A DEGREE-GRANTING PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION MAY NOT  
6 EXCEED THE REMAINDER OF THE AVERAGE IN-STATE TUITION AND FEES CHARGED BY  
7 UNIVERSITIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS MINUS  
8 OTHER GIFTS AND AID AWARDED TO THE STUDENT.

9           2. INDUCTION SERVICES FOR ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY  
10 GRADUATES.

11           3. IMPLEMENTING A MARKETING AND PROMOTION PLAN TO RECRUIT AND  
12 RETAIN STUDENTS IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY WITH PARTICULAR  
13 EMPHASIS ON ENSURING THAT PARTICIPANTS REFLECT THE DIVERSITY OF THIS  
14 STATE'S POPULATION AND ADMINISTERING THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY.  
15 ANNUAL EXPENDITURES FOR MARKETING, PROMOTING AND ADMINISTERING THE ARIZONA  
16 CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY MAY NOT EXCEED THREE PERCENT OF THE MONIES IN THE  
17 FUND EACH FISCAL YEAR.

18           F. MONIES REMAINING IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY FUND AT  
19 THE END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR MAY BE USED BY ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY  
20 INSTITUTIONS FOR ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY COSTS IN THE NEXT FISCAL  
21 YEAR.

22           G. ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2024 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE ARIZONA  
23 BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL REPORT TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE  
24 AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING AND BUDGETING ON ALL OF  
25 THE FOLLOWING:

26           1. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL  
27 JUSTICE ACADEMY BY ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION IN THE CURRENT  
28 ACADEMIC YEAR.

29           2. THE NUMBER OF ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY GRADUATES  
30 RECEIVING INDUCTION SERVICES IN THE CURRENT ACADEMIC YEAR.

31           3. THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF MONIES COMMITTED FROM THE ARIZONA  
32 CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY FUND IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

33           H. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE  
34 ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF  
35 THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND SHALL  
36 SUBMIT A COPY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, ON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

37           1. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL  
38 JUSTICE ACADEMY AT EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION BY YEAR OF  
39 COLLEGE ENROLLMENT.

40           2. THE PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO COMPLETED EACH YEAR OF THE  
41 ACADEMY AND WHO PLAN TO CONTINUE TO THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR, DELINEATED BY  
42 EACH CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM OFFERED BY EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY  
43 INSTITUTION AS PART OF THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY.

- 1           3. THE NUMBER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONALS WHO COMPLETED A
- 2 PROGRAM OF STUDY THROUGH THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY BY EACH
- 3 ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION.
- 4           4. THE NUMBER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONALS CURRENTLY WORKING
- 5 IN THIS STATE AS PART OF AN AGREEMENT FOR RECEIVING AN ARIZONA CRIMINAL
- 6 JUSTICE ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP.
- 7           5. THE NUMBER OF GRADUATES RECEIVING INDUCTION SERVICES.
- 8           6. THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO DEFAULTED ON THEIR OBLIGATION AND WHO
- 9 ARE IN REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS.
- 10          7. THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO HAVE DEFERRED REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS.
- 11          8. THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO COMPLETED REPAYMENT AGREEMENTS.
- 12          9. THE METHODOLOGY FOR DISTRIBUTING ANY MONIES APPROPRIATED FOR THE
- 13 ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY TO EACH ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY
- 14 INSTITUTION AND THE AMOUNTS DISTRIBUTED TO EACH.
- 15          10. THE AMOUNT OF UNUSED MONIES IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- 16 ACADEMY FUND FROM THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.
- 17          I. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 18           1. "CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCY" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN
- 19 SECTION 41-1750.
- 20           2. "ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION" MEANS:
- 21           (a) A UNIVERSITY UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ARIZONA BOARD OF
- 22 REGENTS.
- 23           (b) A COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THIS STATE THAT OFFERS CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- 24 PROGRAMS.
- 25           (c) A DEGREE GRANTING PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION
- 26 IN THIS STATE THAT OFFERS ONE OR MORE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS AS
- 27 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION IF THE INSTITUTION OPTS TO
- 28 PARTICIPATE IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY.
- 29          3. "TUITION AND FEES" MEANS TUITION, MANDATORY FEES AND PROGRAM
- 30 FEES THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH A PROGRAM IN THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- 31 ACADEMY AND THAT ARE CHARGED BY AN ELIGIBLE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION.