

REFERENCE TITLE: collegiate women's wrestling program; appropriation

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Introduced by
Representative Payne

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-1809.02; APPROPRIATING MONIES; 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 14, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-1809.02, to read:

4 15-1809.02. Collegiate women's wrestling program fund;
5 scholarships; eligibility; matching monies

6 A. THE COLLEGIATE WOMEN'S WRESTLING PROGRAM FUND IS ESTABLISHED
7 CONSISTING OF GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.
8 ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND. MONIES IN THE FUND
9 ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF
10 SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS. SUBJECT TO
11 AVAILABLE MONIES, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL USE THE MONIES IN THE
12 FUND TO:

13 1. PAY UP TO \$150,000 PER YEAR FOR COSTS INCURRED TO ESTABLISH AND
14 MAINTAIN A COLLEGIATE WOMEN'S WRESTLING PROGRAM AT ARIZONA STATE
15 UNIVERSITY.

16 2. AWARD ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS ALL OF
17 THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

18 (a) PARTICIPATES IN THE WOMEN'S WRESTLING PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN
19 PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION.

20 (b) IS OR WILL BE ENROLLED FULL TIME AT ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY.

21 (c) HAS AN OVERALL GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF 3.0 OR HIGHER ON A 4.0
22 SCALE, OR THE EQUIVALENT.

23 (d) IS RANKED IN THE TOP TEN OF THE STUDENT'S WEIGHT CLASS
24 ACCORDING TO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RANKING SYSTEM, EXCEPT THAT STUDENTS
25 WHO ARE RANKED IN THE TOP FIVE OF A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RANKING SYSTEM
26 SHALL BE GIVEN PRIORITY. IF THE STUDENT DOES NOT HAVE A CURRENT NATIONAL
27 HIGH SCHOOL RANK BECAUSE THE STUDENT HAS GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL, THE
28 REQUIREMENT UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION MAY BE SATISFIED BY THE STUDENT'S MOST
29 RECENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RANK.

30 B. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE MONIES, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL
31 AWARD TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
32 A, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SECTION A SCHOLARSHIP THAT IS EQUAL TO THE COST OF
33 TUITION, ROOM, BOARD, BOOKS AND UNIVERSITY FEES CHARGED BY ARIZONA STATE
34 UNIVERSITY, REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY FEDERAL AID SCHOLARSHIPS OR
35 PUBLIC GRANTS OR ANY OTHER FINANCIAL GIFTS, GRANTS OR AID RECEIVED BY THAT
36 INDIVIDUAL. ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL VERIFY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL
37 SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS
38 SECTION BEFORE AWARDING A SCHOLARSHIP. IF ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY
39 DETERMINES THAT AN INDIVIDUAL NO LONGER SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS
40 PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SECTION, ARIZONA STATE
41 UNIVERSITY MAY NOT AWARD A SUBSEQUENT SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE FUND UNTIL THE
42 INDIVIDUAL SUBMITS DOCUMENTATION SHOWING THAT THE INDIVIDUAL SATISFIES ALL
43 REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SECTION.

44 C. SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE AWARDED ON A
45 FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS. IF THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT MONIES IN THE

1 FUND, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY MAY NOT AWARD A SCHOLARSHIP TO AN
2 INDIVIDUAL UNDER THIS SECTION.

3 D. EACH \$1 OF GIFTS, GRANTS AND DONATIONS FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN
4 THIS STATE THAT IS RECEIVED BY THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS FOR DEPOSIT IN
5 THE COLLEGIATE WOMEN'S WRESTLING PROGRAM FUND SHALL BE MATCHED BY UP TO \$5
6 APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE. ON OR BEFORE MAY 30 OF EACH YEAR,
7 ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL FURNISH TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET
8 COMMITTEE AN ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT REQUIRED TO FUND THE COLLEGIATE
9 WOMEN'S WRESTLING PROGRAM FUND ALLOCATIONS PRESCRIBED BY THIS SECTION FOR
10 THE FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR.

11 E. ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY MAY ADOPT RULES FOR THE PURPOSES OF
12 ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION.

13 Sec. 2. Appropriation; collegiate women's wrestling program
14 fund; exemption

15 A. The sum of \$500,000 is appropriated from the state general fund
16 in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the collegiate women's wrestling program fund
17 established by section 15-1809.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by
18 this act.

19 B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
20 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating
21 to lapsing of appropriations.