

REFERENCE TITLE: tribal community college operations; appropriations

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# **SB 1501**

Introduced by  
Senators Hatathlie: Hernandez, Mendez, Miranda, Sundareshan

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 15-1650.07; APPROPRIATING MONIES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA  
BOARD OF REGENTS.

(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. Tribal community college operations fund

5 THE TRIBAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPERATIONS FUND IS ESTABLISHED  
6 CONSISTING OF LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS AND GIFTS, GRANTS, DEVISES AND  
7 OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS OF MONIES FROM ANY LAWFUL SOURCE. THE ARIZONA BOARD  
8 OF REGENTS SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND AND DISTRIBUTE MONIES FROM THE FUND  
9 TO TRIBAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN THIS STATE. MONIES IN THE FUND ARE  
10 SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF  
11 SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS. MONIES FROM THE  
12 FUND MAY BE USED FOR OPERATIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY A TRIBAL COMMUNITY  
13 COLLEGE, INCLUDING EXPENSES INCURRED TO ESTABLISH OR PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONAL  
14 PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE OFFERED BY THE TRIBAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE. ON NOTICE  
15 FROM THE DEPARTMENT, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST AND DIVEST MONIES IN  
16 THE FUND AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 35-313, AND MONIES EARNED FROM INVESTMENT  
17 SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND.

18 Sec. 2. Appropriations; tribal community college operations  
19 fund

20 The sum of \$13,333,333 is appropriated from the state general fund  
21 in each of fiscal years 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 to the tribal  
22 community college operations fund established by section 15-1650.07,  
23 Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, and is appropriated from  
24 the tribal community college operations fund to the Arizona board of  
25 regents.