

Senate Engrossed

study committee; registered sex offenders

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SENATE BILL 1626

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE STUDY COMMITTEE ON REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Study committee on registered sex offenders;
3 membership; duties; delayed repeal

4 A. The study committee on registered sex offenders is established
5 consisting of the following members:

6 1. Three members of the senate, not more than two of whom are
7 members of the same political party and who are appointed as follows:

8 (a) One member who is appointed by the president of the senate and
9 who is designated by the president of the senate to serve as
10 cochairperson.

11 (b) One member who is appointed by the majority leader of the
12 senate with approval of the president.

13 (c) One member who is appointed by the minority leader of the
14 senate with approval of the president.

15 2. Three members of the house of representatives, not more than two
16 of whom are members of the same political party and who are appointed as
17 follows:

18 (a) One member who is appointed by the speaker of the house of
19 representatives and who is designated by the speaker of the house of
20 representatives to serve as cochairperson.

21 (b) One member who is appointed by the majority leader of the house
22 of representatives with approval of the speaker of the house of
23 representatives.

24 (c) One member who is appointed by the minority leader of the house
25 of representatives with approval of the speaker of the house of
26 representatives.

27 B. A majority of the members of the committee constitutes a quorum.
28 The committee shall do all of the following:

29 1. Meet as often as the cochairpersons deem necessary and in any
30 place that the cochairpersons deem necessary or convenient.

31 2. Study current policies and practices of local, state and tribal
32 law enforcement agencies and county attorneys that relate to sexual
33 offenses.

34 3. Examine the effectiveness of the current sex offender laws in
35 this state to prevent recidivism and protect the community from further
36 sexual offenses.

37 4. Examine the standards set forth by the Adam Walsh Child
38 Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (P.L. 109-248) and Title 1 of the Sex
39 Offender Registration and Notification Act (P.L. 109-248).

40 C. On request of the committee, an agency of this state or a
41 political subdivision of this state shall provide the committee with its
42 services, equipment, documents, personnel and facilities to the extent
43 possible without cost to the committee.

1 D. The committee may use the services of legislative staff to
2 provide necessary administrative and operational services.

3 E. On or before June 30, 2025, the committee may submit a report of
4 its findings and recommendations to the governor, the president of the
5 senate and the speaker of the house of representatives and shall provide a
6 copy of this report to the secretary of state and the director of the
7 secretary of state.

8 F. This section is repealed from and after September 30, 2025.

9 Sec. 2. Emergency

10 This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the
11 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by
12 law.