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CHAPTER 42

# SENATE BILL 1011

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-351, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL COUNCILS.

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-351, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 15-351. School councils; duties; membership

5 A. The purpose of this section is to ensure that individuals who are  
6 affected by the outcome of a decision at the school site share in the  
7 decision making process.

8 B. Each school shall establish a school council. A governing board  
9 may delegate to a school council the responsibility to develop a curriculum  
10 and may delegate any additional powers that are reasonably necessary to  
11 accomplish decentralization. The school council shall take into  
12 consideration the ethnic composition of the local community and, except as  
13 provided in section 15-352, shall consist of the following members:

14 1. Parents or guardians of pupils enrolled in the school ~~who are not~~  
15 ~~employed by the school district~~. A PARENT OR GUARDIAN WHO IS EMPLOYED BY THE  
16 SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL COUNCIL IF THE PARENT OR  
17 GUARDIAN IS NOT EMPLOYED AT THE SAME SCHOOL WHERE THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S  
18 CHILD IS ENROLLED.

19 2. Teachers.

20 3. Noncertified employees.

21 4. Community members.

22 5. Pupils, if the school is a high school.

23 6. The principal of the school.

24 C. Each group specified in subsection B of this section shall select  
25 its school council appointees and shall submit the names of its respective  
26 representatives to the principal. The initial representatives shall be  
27 selected at public meetings held at the school site, and, thereafter,  
28 representatives shall be selected by their groups in the manner determined by  
29 the school council. Schools shall give notice of the public meeting where  
30 the initial representatives of the groups shall be selected, clearly stating  
31 its purpose, time and place. The notice shall be posted in at least three  
32 different locations at the school site and in the community and shall be  
33 given to pupils for delivery to their parents or guardians.

34 D. The governing board shall determine the initial number of school  
35 council members. Thereafter, the school council shall determine the number.  
36 The number of teachers and parents or guardians of pupils enrolled at the  
37 school shall be equal. Teachers and parents or guardians of pupils enrolled  
38 at the school shall constitute a majority of the school council members.

39 E. The school council shall adopt written guidelines that specify the  
40 number of school council members and the methods for the selection of school  
41 council members.

42 F. The principal shall serve as chairman of the school council unless  
43 another person is elected by a majority of the school council members.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 11, 2005.

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by the following vote: 53 Ayes,

0 Nays, 7 Not Voting

Speaker of the House

Chief Clerk of the House

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by the following vote: 28 Ayes,

0 Nays, 2 Not Voting

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

5th day of April, 2005

at 2:15 o'clock P. M.

Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 11 day of

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at 10:00 o'clock A M.

Governor of Arizona

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

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at 1:35 o'clock P. M.

Secretary of State