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CHAPTER 226

HOUSE BILL 2185

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-552, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-552, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-552. Alternative teacher development program; report;
5 program termination

6 A. The state board of education shall establish an alternative teacher
7 development program for the purpose of accelerating the process of
8 identifying, training and placing highly qualified individuals into low
9 income schools through the use of teaching intern certification and the
10 identification of a qualified service provider.

11 B. The department of education shall develop application procedures,
12 selection criteria and minimum performance standards for service providers
13 that wish to participate in the program.

14 C. The state board of education shall award a matching grant to a
15 service provider that meets all of the requirements of this section. The
16 amount of the matching grant shall be equal to the matching monies raised by
17 the service provider, not to exceed the total of monies appropriated to the
18 alternative teacher development program. The service provider that receives
19 the matching grant shall demonstrate that its alternative teacher development
20 program serves public schools in this state and meets all of the following
21 requirements:

22 1. Is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that has been providing
23 alternative teacher recruitment and placement in this state for a period of
24 not less than ten years.

25 2. Serves only public schools that provide instruction to student
26 populations in which a majority of the students are from low income
27 households.

28 3. Requires that individuals seeking to participate in the alternative
29 teacher development program offered by the service provider have attained a
30 baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution.

31 4. Maintains a competitive application and selection process for
32 individuals seeking to participate in the alternative teacher development
33 program offered by the service provider.

34 5. Requires all individuals who participate in the alternative teacher
35 development program to commit to serve as a teacher in a low income public
36 school in this state for not less than two years.

37 6. Provides ongoing support, evaluations and professional development
38 to teachers placed in a classroom through the alternative teacher development
39 program.

40 D. The service provider selected to participate in the alternative
41 teacher development program shall annually report at least the following
42 information to the department of education:

43 1. The number of teachers placed in low income schools by the service
44 provider.

1 2. The number of students served by teachers placed in low income
2 schools by the service provider.

3 3. Demographic data concerning the aggregate composition of students
4 in classrooms served by teachers placed by the service provider.

5 4. A listing of the school districts and schools in which teachers
6 were placed by the service provider.

7 5. A total of all matching monies raised by the service provider.

8 E. The department of education shall submit an annual report by
9 December 15 of each year concerning the alternative teacher development
10 program to the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the
11 house of representatives that includes an evaluation of the effectiveness of
12 the program. The department of education shall provide a copy of the report
13 to the secretary of state and ~~the director of the Arizona state library,~~
14 ~~archives and public records.~~ The report shall include a comparison of the
15 annual academic achievement gain of students served by teachers participating
16 in the alternative teacher development program and students served by
17 beginning teachers in the same school.

18 F. The program established by this section ends on July 1, ~~2016~~ 2020,
19 ~~pursuant to section 41-3102.~~

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 7, 2015.

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Passed the House February 16, 20 15

by the following vote: 55 Ayes,

1 Nays, 3 Not Voting

Excused

[Signature]
Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate March 31, 20 15

by the following vote: 25 Ayes,

4 Nays, 1 Not Voting

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

1st day of April, 20 15

at 11:19 o'clock A. M.

[Signature]
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 7th day of

April

at 2:21 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]
Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

this 7th day of April, 20 15

at 4:30 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]
Secretary of State

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