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CHAPTER 11

HOUSE BILL 2547

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-1802, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE
CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS FOR TUITION PURPOSES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-1802, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-1802. In-state student status

5 A. Except as otherwise provided in this article, no person having a
6 domicile elsewhere than in this state is eligible for classification as an
7 in-state student for tuition purposes.

8 B. A person is not entitled to classification as an in-state student
9 until the person is domiciled in this state for one year, except that a
10 person whose domicile is in this state is entitled to classification as an
11 in-state student if the person meets one of the following requirements:

12 1. The DOMICILE OF THE person's ~~parent's domicile~~ PARENT is in this
13 state and the parent is entitled to claim the person as an exemption for
14 state and federal tax purposes.

15 2. The person is an employee of an employer that transferred the
16 person to this state for employment purposes or the person is the spouse of
17 such an employee.

18 3. The person is an employee of a school district in this state and is
19 under contract to teach on a full-time basis or is employed as a full-time
20 noncertified classroom aide at a school within that school district. For the
21 purposes of this paragraph, the person is eligible for classification as an
22 in-state student only for courses necessary to complete the requirements for
23 certification by the state board of education to teach in a school district
24 in this state. No member of the person's family is eligible for
25 classification as an in-state student if the person is eligible for
26 classification as an in-state student pursuant to this paragraph, unless the
27 family member is otherwise eligible for classification as an in-state student
28 pursuant to this section.

29 4. The person's spouse has established domicile in this state for at
30 least one year, and has demonstrated intent and financial independence and is
31 entitled to claim the student as an exemption for state and federal tax
32 purposes or the person's spouse was temporarily out of state for educational
33 purposes, but maintained a domicile in this state. If the person is a
34 noncitizen, the person must be in an eligible visa status pursuant to federal
35 law to classify as an in-state student for tuition purposes.

36 C. The domicile of an unemancipated person is that of the person's
37 parent.

38 D. Any unemancipated person who remains in this state when the
39 person's parent, who had been domiciled in this state, removes from this
40 state is entitled to classification as an in-state student until attainment
41 of the degree for which THE PERSON IS currently enrolled, as long as the
42 person maintains continuous attendance.

43 E. A person who is a member of the armed forces of the United States
44 and who is stationed in this state pursuant to military orders or who is the
45 spouse or a dependent child as defined in section 43-1001 of a person who is

1 a member of the armed forces of the United States and who is stationed in
2 this state pursuant to military orders is entitled to classification as an
3 in-state student. A spouse or a dependent child does not lose in-state
4 student classification under this subsection if the spouse or dependent child
5 qualifies for in-state tuition classification at the time the spouse or
6 dependent child is accepted for admission to a community college under the
7 jurisdiction of a community college district governing board or a university
8 under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents. The student, while
9 in continuous attendance toward the degree for which currently enrolled, does
10 not lose in-state student classification.

11 F. A person who is a member of the armed forces of the United States
12 or the spouse or a dependent as defined in section 43-1001 of a member of the
13 armed forces of the United States is entitled to classification as an
14 in-state student if the member of the armed forces has claimed this state as
15 the person's state of legal residence for at least twelve consecutive months
16 before the member of the armed forces, spouse or dependent enrolls in a
17 university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents or a
18 community college under the jurisdiction of a community college district
19 governing board. For the purposes of this subsection, the requirement that a
20 person be domiciled in this state for one year before enrollment to qualify
21 for in-state student classification does not apply.

22 G. A person holding an honorable discharge from the uniformed services
23 of the United States from either active duty or reserve or national guard
24 status, or who has retired from active duty or reserve or national guard
25 status, shall be granted immediate classification as an in-state student and,
26 while continuously enrolled, does not lose in-state student classification if
27 the person has demonstrated objective evidence of intent to be a resident of
28 Arizona that, for the purposes of this section, includes at least one of the
29 following:

- 30 1. Registration to vote in this state.
- 31 2. An Arizona driver license.
- 32 3. Arizona motor vehicle registration.
- 33 4. Employment history in Arizona.
- 34 5. Transfer of major banking services to Arizona.
- 35 6. Change of permanent address on all pertinent records.
- 36 7. Other materials of whatever kind or source relevant to domicile or
37 residency status.

38 H. A person who, while using educational assistance under 38 United
39 States Code chapter 30 or ~~chapter~~ 33, enrolls in a university under the
40 jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents or a community college under the
41 jurisdiction of a community college district governing board within three
42 years after the veteran's discharge from active duty service of ninety or
43 more days or within three years after the service member's death in the line
44 of duty following a period of active duty service of ninety or more days or
45 who remains continuously enrolled beyond the three-year period following the

1 discharge of the veteran or the service member's death shall be granted
2 immediate classification as an in-state student and does not lose in-state
3 student classification if the person has demonstrated objective evidence of
4 intent to be a resident of this state that, for the purposes of this section,
5 includes at least one of the following:
6 1. Registration to vote in this state.
7 2. An Arizona driver license.
8 3. Arizona motor vehicle registration.
9 4. Employment history in Arizona.
10 5. Transfer of major banking services ~~in~~ TO Arizona.
11 6. Change of permanent address on all pertinent records.
12 7. Other materials of whatever kind or source relevant to domicile or
13 residency status.
14 I. A person who is a member of an Indian tribe recognized by the
15 United States department of the interior whose reservation land lies in this
16 state and extends into another state and who is a resident of the reservation
17 is entitled to classification as an in-state student.
18 J. A PERSON WHO HAS PARTICIPATED IN THE AMERICORPS PROGRAM OR THE
19 VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO AMERICA PROGRAM FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR IN THIS STATE
20 IS ENTITLED TO CLASSIFICATION AS AN IN-STATE STUDENT.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MARCH 11, 2016.

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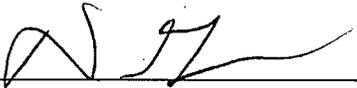
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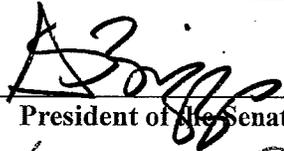
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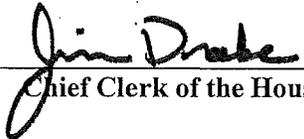


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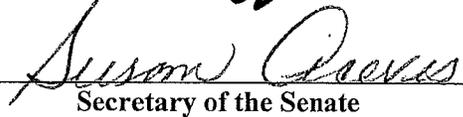


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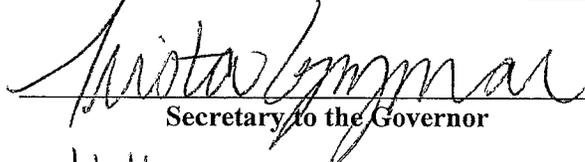
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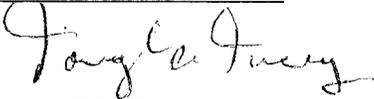


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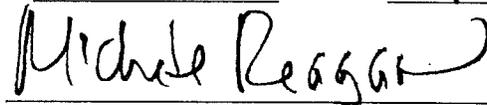
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