

Senate Engrossed House Bill

school policies; internet; wireless devices

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HOUSE BILL 2484

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-120.05; RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

(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 1, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-120.05, to read:

4 15-120.05. Student access to internet; student use of
5 wireless communication devices; policies and
6 procedures; annual notice; definitions

7 A. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD AND CHARTER SCHOOL
8 GOVERNING BODY SHALL PRESCRIBE AND ENFORCE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT
9 BOTH:

10 1. GOVERN STUDENT ACCESS TO THE INTERNET AS PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL,
11 INCLUDING POLICIES THAT RESTRICT STUDENT ACCESS TO SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.
12 THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL ALLOW
13 TEACHERS TO GIVE STUDENTS ACCESS TO SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS TO THE EXTENT
14 NECESSARY FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

15 2. LIMIT THE USE OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES BY STUDENTS
16 DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
17 THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

18 (a) ALLOW STUDENTS TO USE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES IF ANY OF
19 THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

20 (i) FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES, AS DIRECTED BY THE STUDENT'S TEACHER.

21 (ii) DURING AN EMERGENCY.

22 (iii) THE STUDENT NEEDS THE STUDENT'S WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE
23 BECAUSE THE STUDENT HAS A MEDICAL CONDITION.

24 (b) INCLUDE PROCEDURES FOR A STUDENT'S PARENT TO CONTACT THE
25 STUDENT DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.

26 (c) INCLUDE PROCEDURES FOR A STUDENT TO CONTACT THE STUDENT'S
27 PARENT DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.

28 B. AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL
29 PROVIDE TO PARENTS, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS A COPY OF THE POLICIES ADOPTED
30 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION AND NOTIFY THE PARENTS, TEACHERS
31 AND STUDENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE POLICY.

32 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

33 1. "SCHOOL DAY" MEANS PERIODS OF TIME WHEN STUDENTS ARE AT SCHOOL,
34 INCLUDING MEALS, PASSING PERIODS AND RECESS.

35 2. "SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM" MEANS A WEBSITE, COMPUTER APPLICATION OR
36 OTHER DIGITAL PLATFORM THAT IS USED FOR SOCIAL NETWORKING AND CREATING OR
37 EXCHANGING VIRTUAL CONTENT.

38 3. "WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES" INCLUDES PERSONAL DEVICES AND
39 DEVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL.

40 Sec. 2. Implementation

41 A school district or charter school is not required to develop and
42 adopt new policies or procedures pursuant to section 15-120.05, Arizona
43 Revised Statutes, as added by this act, if the school district or charter
44 school has existing policies or procedures that meet the requirements
45 prescribed by section 15-120.05, subsection A, Arizona Revised Statutes,
46 as added by this act, on the effective date of this act.