



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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AMENDED
FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2196

promotion certificates; 8th grade

Purpose

Removes language requiring the county school superintendent to provide signed eighth grade promotion certificates.

Background

Statute permits a school district governing board to provide and issue a certificate of promotion to a pupil who is promoted from the eighth grade of a common school. The certificates must be signed by the principal or superintendent of schools unless there is no principal or superintendent of schools, in which case the certificates must be signed by the teacher of an eighth grade. The promotion certificates admit holders to any high school in Arizona. A school district governing board may request certificates from the county school superintendent and the county school superintendent must provide and sign the certificates upon such a request. A school district cannot deny a pupil between the ages of 16 and 21 admission to a high school because the pupil does not have an eighth grade promotion certificate and school district governing boards must establish procedures to determine the admissibility of pupils who are under 16 years of age and do not have an eighth grade promotion certificate.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Repeals a requirement that the county school superintendent furnish signed eighth grade promotion certificates upon a school district board's request.
2. Makes technical and conforming changes.
3. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

Amendment Adopted by Committee

- Removes language specifying that a district may conduct an 8th grade promotion ceremony.

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Senate Action

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