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HOUSE BILL 2039

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-810; RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

(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 8, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 15-810, to read:

4 15-810. Classroom placement of multiple birth siblings:
5 definition

6 A. A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL PLACE MULTIPLE BIRTH
7 SIBLINGS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE SAME SCHOOL AND WHO ARE IN THE SAME GRADE
8 LEVEL IN THE SAME CLASSROOM IF THEY MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE
9 CLASS OR IN SEPARATE CLASSROOMS AS REQUESTED BY THE PARENT OF THE MULTIPLE
10 BIRTH SIBLINGS. THE REQUEST MUST BE MADE AT LEAST FIVE BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR
11 TO THE FIRST DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR OR FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE FIRST DAY
12 OF ATTENDANCE IF THE MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS ARE ENROLLED AFTER THE START OF
13 THE SCHOOL YEAR. A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL IS NOT REQUIRED TO
14 PLACE MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS IN SEPARATE CLASSROOMS IF THE REQUEST WOULD
15 REQUIRE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL CLASS TO
16 THE GRADE LEVEL OF THE MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS.

17 B. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL MAY RECOMMEND CLASSROOM
18 PLACEMENT TO THE PARENT AND PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION ADVICE.

19 C. AT THE END OF THE INITIAL GRADING PERIOD, IF THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL,
20 IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CLASSROOM TEACHER, DETERMINES THAT THE REQUESTED
21 CLASSROOM PLACEMENT IS DISRUPTIVE TO THE SCHOOL, THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MAY
22 REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
23 CHARTER SCHOOL DETERMINE THE CLASSROOM PLACEMENT OF THE MULTIPLE BIRTH
24 SIBLINGS.

25 D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS" MEANS
26 TWINS, TRIPLETS, QUADRUPLETS, QUINTUPLETS OR OTHER SIBLINGS THAT RESULT FROM
27 A MULTIPLE BIRTH.