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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1246

school districts; boards; term limits

Purpose

Limits eligibility to serve on a school district governing board (governing board) to two consecutive terms.

Background

A governing board serves as the governing body of a school district and is made up of three elected members, unless it is a union high school district or if there is an election to increase the membership from three to five. Eligible candidates for a governing board, must be registered voters of Arizona and a resident of the school district for at least one year ([A.R.S. § 15-421](#)).

Governing board members are elected in general elections by qualified electors who live within the boundaries of the school district ([A.R.S. § 15-401](#)). Each elected member of a governing board serves for a term of four years, starting on January 1 following their election ([A.R.S. § 15-424](#)).

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

Provisions

1. Limits eligibility to serve on a governing board to two consecutive terms.
2. Specifies that governing board members serving on the effective date continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms.
3. Makes technical changes.
4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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