



DOUGLAS A. DUCEY
GOVERNOR

STATE OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 25, 2018

The Honorable Michele Reagan
Secretary of State
1700 W. Washington, 7th Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: H.B. 2563 postsecondary institutions; free expression policies

Dear Secretary Reagan:

Today, I signed House Bill 2563. This bill ensures that freedom of speech is protected on Arizona college campuses.

We have all seen the headlines. On college campuses across the country, from Berkeley to Harvard, from Missouri to Middlebury— protests and violence have attempted to silence speech that some people just don't want to hear.

On our state's public universities and community college campuses, constructive debate is encouraged, free speech is protected and diversity of thought is valued. I thank the leadership of our university presidents, our community college leaders, our professors and our students for their commitment to thoughtful dialogue, civil discourse and collaborative problem-solving.

I am signing this bill to reaffirm to all of our college campus communities that we should continue to preserve the first amendment rights of faculty, staff and students.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor
State of Arizona

cc: The Honorable JD Mesnard
The Honorable Paul Boyer
The Honorable Steve Yarbrough

Conference Engrossed

State of Arizona
House of Representatives
Fifty-third Legislature
Second Regular Session
2018

HOUSE BILL 2563

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1861 AND 15-1864, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE 6, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 15-1866, 15-1867, 15-1868 AND 15-1869; RELATING TO STUDENTS' RIGHTS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

HOUSE FINAL PASSAGE
as per Joint Conference

SENATE FINAL PASSAGE
as per Joint Conference

Passed the House April 16, 2018

Passed the Senate April 19, 2018

by the following vote: 34 Ayes,

by the following vote: 17 Ayes,

23 Nays, 3 Not Voting

13 Nays, 0 Not Voting

[Signature]
Speaker of the House
 Pro Tempore

[Signature]
President of the Senate

[Signature]
Chief Clerk of the House

[Signature]
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

19th day of April, 2018

at 1:20 o'clock P M.

[Signature]
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 25th day of

April 2018

at 3:20 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]
Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

this _____ day of _____, 20____

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State