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**Arizona House of Representatives**  
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## **Big Win: Representative Pingerelli’s Bill Restoring School Suspensions Signed into Law**

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** — State Representative Beverly Pingerelli, Chair of the House Education Committee, today applauded the signing of [HB 2460](#), a bill that she sponsored to restore public schools’ ability to suspend students:

**“Two years ago, Arizona effectively banned suspensions from school for certain grades. School leaders and teachers told us emphatically that we went too far. HB 2460 simply allows for up to two-day suspensions from school, in grades kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup>, and no more than 10 days total in a school year.**

**“School disruptions cause serious issues for both our teachers and other students in the impacted classroom. Sometimes parents need a wake-up call that their child needs help and greater parental engagement. Often the best solution is a cooling-off period to give the student, and parents, time to take responsibility and address the underlying issues, and for teachers and students to feel safe in their classroom.**

**“In an era where retaining educators is a state priority, we need to ensure we are supporting them with the tools they need to maintain a positive and productive classroom environment.”**

*Beverly Pingerelli is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 28 in Peoria, Sun City, Sun City West, and Phoenix, and is Chair of the House Committee on Education. Follow her on Twitter at @BevPingerelli.*

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