

July 2, 2012

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Todd Petersen, Deputy Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REFERENCE: A.R.S. §15-952.A.3

Teacher Evaluation System Verification – FY 2013-2014

A.R.S §15-952.A.3 specifies that local governing boards must submit evidence to the State Board of Education that the evaluation system originally approved by the Board continues to meet all requirements set forth in A.R.S §15-537. (Note: local governing board approved modifications are considered part of the original document)

The attached Statement of Assurance form will be used as the basis for submitting an aggregated list of participating districts to the Board at the regularly scheduled meeting in February 2013. Districts will be notified of the Board's decision. The Board approval will signify that participating districts may continue the 1.25% budget level (expended solely for teacher compensation as specified in A.R.S. §15-952, Paragraph C) initially approved by the state legislature.

Please complete the attached Statement of Assurance form and submit through ALEAT by February 1, 2013.

Please contact Beth Driscoll, 602-364-2191 or beth.driscoll@azed.gov with any questions.

Thank you,

Todd Petersen

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