

House Engrossed

appropriation; stipend; kinship foster care

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HOUSE BILL 2274

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SAFETY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Appropriation; department of child safety; kinship
3 care; exemption; intent

4 A. The sum of \$24,200,000 is appropriated from the state general
5 fund in fiscal year 2022-2023 to the department of child safety to use for
6 a stipend of \$300 per month per child for a relative caretaker, including
7 a grandparent, a member of the child's extended family or a person who has
8 a significant relationship with the child, if a child in the care and
9 custody of the department is placed in the kinship foster care of the
10 relative caretaker, extended family member or person with a significant
11 relationship with the child pursuant to department guidelines. The
12 kinship foster care parent is not required to file an application to
13 receive the stipend.

14 B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
15 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating
16 to lapsing of appropriations.

17 C. The legislature intends that the appropriation made in
18 subsection A of this section be considered ongoing funding in future
19 years.