

House Engrossed
on-call health services; appropriations

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HOUSE BILL 2563

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM
ADMINISTRATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Appropriations; Arizona health care cost
3 containment system administration; on-call
4 obstetrics and gynecological services;
5 recommendations; exemption

6 A. The sum of \$7,500,000 is appropriated from the state general
7 fund in each of fiscal years 2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 to the
8 Arizona health care cost containment system administration for on-call
9 obstetrics and gynecological services to maintain service availability in
10 low-volume obstetric delivery areas and rural communities with populations
11 of less than three hundred fifty thousand persons.

12 B. The administration shall distribute up to \$2,500,000 each year
13 to each qualifying community health center and rural hospital for the
14 unreimbursed cost necessary to maintain the availability of on-call
15 obstetrics and gynecological services in low-volume obstetric delivery
16 areas and rural communities.

17 C. A qualifying community health center or rural hospital that
18 receives monies pursuant to subsection B of this section shall submit in
19 each year that monies are received a report regarding the use of the
20 monies, including the number of deliveries and emergency procedures
21 provided by the on-call health care providers for which the monies were
22 spent.

23 D. The Arizona health care cost containment system administration
24 shall convene stakeholders and staff to develop recommendations to
25 maintain that obstetrics and gynecological services are provided in
26 low-volume, high risk and rural communities in this state.

27 E. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
28 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating
29 to lapsing of appropriations.