

House Engrossed

appropriations; department of agriculture; staffing

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HOUSE BILL 2641

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Appropriations; Arizona department of agriculture;
3 certified peace officers; health inspectors;
4 intent

5 A. The sum of \$193,787.94 and one full-time equivalent position are
6 appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the
7 Arizona department of agriculture for the purposes of funding a certified
8 peace officer located in eastern Maricopa and Pinal counties to
9 investigate livestock neglect and cruelty and criminal matters involving
10 livestock and to complete livestock inspections for health and ownership.

11 B. The sum of \$348,842.00 and two full-time equivalent positions
12 are appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2023-2024 to
13 the Arizona department of agriculture for the purposes of funding one
14 animal health inspector at the Douglas port of entry and one animal health
15 inspector at the Nogales port of entry.

16 C. The sum of \$326,231.44 and one and one-half full-time equivalent
17 positions are appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year
18 2023-2024 to the Arizona department of agriculture for the purposes of
19 funding certified peace officers to investigate livestock neglect and
20 cruelty and criminal matters involving livestock and to complete livestock
21 inspections for health and ownership for investigations and inspections
22 located in northern Cochise, Gila, Graham, and Greenlee counties.

23 D. The sum of \$193,787.94 and one full-time equivalent position are
24 appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the
25 Arizona department of agriculture for the purpose of funding a certified
26 peace officer to ensure compliance with the self-inspection program for
27 hauling cattle and ownership transfers.

28 E. The sum of \$208,165.00 and one full-time equivalent position are
29 appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2023-2024 to the
30 Arizona department of agriculture for the purpose of funding an animal
31 health regional supervisor.

32 F. The legislature intends that the appropriations made in
33 subsections A, B, C, D and E of this section be considered ongoing funding
34 in future years.