

REFERENCE TITLE: appropriations; department of agriculture; staffing

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HB 2641

Introduced by
Representatives Cook: Smith

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

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

29 E. The legislature intends that the appropriations made in
30 subsections A, B, C and D of this section be considered ongoing funding in
31 future years.