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appropriation; correction officers; retention bonus

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# **HOUSE BILL 2649**

AN ACT

AMENDING LAWS 2022, CHAPTER 313, SECTION 110; RELATING TO CORRECTION OFFICERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Laws 2022, chapter 313, section 110 is amended to read:

3 Sec. 110. Department of emergency and military affairs;  
border security; exemption; fiscal year 2022-2023

4 A. The sum of \$209,205,000 is appropriated from the border security  
5 fund established by section 26-105, Arizona Revised Statutes, in fiscal  
6 year 2022-2023 to the department of emergency and military affairs. The  
7 department of emergency and military affairs shall allocate, in  
8 consultation with the department of public safety, the following amounts:

9 1. \$20,000,000 to Cochise county to construct a new county jail  
10 facility. The monies allocated in this paragraph are intended to fund up  
11 to twenty percent of the total jail facility construction cost but not to  
12 exceed \$20,000,000. The monies allocated in this paragraph shall not be  
13 distributed until Cochise county has submitted to the director of the  
14 joint legislative budget committee, the director of the governor's office  
15 of strategic planning and budgeting and the director of the department of  
16 administration a report that the county has raised sufficient monies to  
17 fund the remainder of the project's budget. Notwithstanding section  
18 41-1252, Arizona Revised Statutes, the monies allocated in this paragraph  
19 are not subject to review by the joint committee on capital review. Any  
20 monies allocated pursuant to this paragraph that remain unexpended and  
21 unencumbered on June 30, 2027 revert to the border security fund  
22 established by section 26-105, Arizona Revised Statutes.

23 2. \$15,000,000 to reimburse a county or local law enforcement  
24 agency for costs incurred by the county or local law enforcement agency  
25 for participating in a program with the United States immigration and  
26 customs enforcement pursuant to 8 United States code section 1357(g).

27 3. \$10,000,000 for deposit in the antihuman trafficking grant fund  
28 established by section 26-106, Arizona Revised Statutes. The monies shall  
29 be allocated as follows:

30 (a) \$2,000,000 to the department of public safety Arizona counter  
31 terrorism information center for antihuman trafficking operations that  
32 comply with the requirements prescribed in section 26-106, Arizona Revised  
33 Statutes.

34 (b) \$8,000,000 in award grants to city, town and county law  
35 enforcement agencies, in an amount of not more than \$500,000 per agency,  
36 for programs that reduce human trafficking and that comply with the  
37 requirements prescribed in section 26-106, Arizona Revised Statutes.

38 4. \$30,000,000 to distribute to cities, towns or counties for costs  
39 associated with prosecuting and imprisoning individuals charged with drug  
40 trafficking, human smuggling, illegal immigration and other border-related  
41 crimes.

1       5. \$10,000,000 for costs incurred by Arizona national guard assets  
2 augmenting and supporting the department of public safety and local law  
3 enforcement agencies relating to violations of the laws of this state in  
4 the southern Arizona border region.

5       6. \$10,000,000 for emergency health care and testing for immigrants  
6 along the southern Arizona border.

7       7. \$15,000,000 for transportation of individuals who entered  
8 Arizona seeking asylum to other states in the United States, including the  
9 cost of meals, onboard staffing and support.

10      8. \$53,405,000 for deputy sheriff compensation to be distributed to  
11 the department of administration for the following purposes:

12       (a) \$48,310,000 to counties for the purposes of a \$10,000 onetime  
13 payment to line-level deputies and detention officers employed by each  
14 county sheriff's office as of May 1, 2022. The county shall distribute  
15 the payment to eligible employees **OVER TWO YEARS. IN THE FIRST YEAR, THE**  
**PAYMENT SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED** in equal quarterly installments **~~over two~~**  
**years. IN THE SECOND YEAR, THE PAYMENT SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN A LUMP SUM**  
**DURING THE FIRST MONTH OF THE YEAR.** If the amount is insufficient for a  
19 \$10,000 per employee payment, the department shall distribute a prorated  
20 amount based on the total number of deputies and detention officers  
21 employed. **THE COUNTY MAY USE MONIES THAT ARE UNEXPENDED AFTER APRIL 30,**  
**2023 FOR THE PURPOSES PRESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.** On  
23 or before August 30, 2023 and August 30, 2024, each county sheriff shall  
24 submit a report to the department of administration on the actual use of  
25 the monies received and the most recent staffing and retention data for  
26 the positions receiving the payment. On or before September 30, 2023 and  
27 September 23, 2024, the department of administration shall submit a report  
28 to the directors of the joint legislative budget committee and the  
29 governor's office of strategic planning and budgeting detailing the total  
30 amounts distributed by county and summarizing the individual county  
31 reports.

32       (b) \$5,095,000 to counties for the purposes of a \$5,000 onetime  
33 payment to line-level deputies and detention officers hired **~~between~~ AFTER**  
34 **May 1, 2022 ~~and May 1, 2023~~.** The county shall distribute the payment to  
35 eligible employees in **~~equal quarterly installments over one year~~ A LUMP**  
36 **SUM.** On June 1, 2023, the department of administration shall distribute  
37 the funding to the counties based on the actual number of hires during  
38 this time period, as demonstrated by each county. If the amount is  
39 insufficient for a \$5,000 per employee payment, the department shall  
40 distribute a prorated amount based on the total number of hired detention  
41 officers and sheriff's deputies. **THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE**  
**FUNDING TO THE COUNTIES BASED ON THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VACANCIES FOR**  
**LINE-LEVEL DEPUTIES AND DETENTION OFFICERS ON MAY 1, 2022.** A COUNTY MAY  
44 USE MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION UNTIL THE COUNTY HAS  
45 EXHAUSTED ITS PRO RATA SHARE OF THE FUNDING. On or before June 30, 2023,

1 the department shall submit a report to the directors of the joint  
2 legislative budget committee and the governor's office of strategic  
3 planning and budgeting detailing the amounts distributed to each county.

4       9. \$800,000 for the purposes prescribed in section 26-174, Arizona  
5 Revised Statutes, regarding the established chain of command within the  
6 Arizona state guard.

7       10. \$30,000,000 for the construction costs of a state emergency  
8 operations center. Pursuant to section 41-1252, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
9 before spending the monies allocated in this paragraph, the department of  
10 emergency and military affairs shall submit for review by the joint  
11 committee on capital review the scope, purpose and estimated cost of the  
12 capital improvements.

13       11. \$15,000,000 to the department of public safety for the  
14 construction costs of a southern border coordinated response center.  
15 Pursuant to section 41-1252, Arizona Revised Statutes, before spending the  
16 monies allocated in this paragraph, the department of public safety shall  
17 submit for review by the joint committee on capital review the scope,  
18 purpose and estimated cost of the capital improvements.

19       B. Within thirty days after the end of each calendar quarter until  
20 the monies appropriated by this section are fully expended, the department  
21 of emergency and military affairs, in consultation with the Arizona  
22 department of homeland security and the department of public safety, shall  
23 report to the joint legislative budget committee on the status of the  
24 project allocations and monies expended as prescribed by this section.

25       C. The department of emergency and military affairs may transfer  
26 spending authority between and within the programs and purposes listed in  
27 subsection A of this section. Before making a transfer, the department  
28 shall submit the proposed transfer to the joint legislative budget  
29 committee for review.

30       D. The appropriations made in subsection A of this section are  
31 exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
32 relating to lapsing of appropriations.

33       Sec. 2. Retroactivity

34       This act applies retroactively to from and after June 30, 2022.