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gang and immigration intelligence; appropriation

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# **HOUSE BILL 2278**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-1724, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; APPROPRIATING MONIES;  
RELATING TO THE GANG AND IMMIGRATION INTELLIGENCE TEAM ENFORCEMENT MISSION  
FUND.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2       Section 1. Section 41-1724, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4                  41-1724. Gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement  
5                  mission fund; southern Arizona counterterrorism  
6                  information center; subaccount; use of monies;  
7                  reporting requirements

8       A. The gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement mission  
9 fund is established consisting of monies deposited pursuant to section  
10 11-1051, **GRANTS** and monies appropriated by the legislature. The  
11 department shall administer the fund. Any monies distributed from the  
12 fund to a county sheriff **OR COUNTY ATTORNEY** shall go directly to the  
13 county sheriff **OR COUNTY ATTORNEY** and are not subject to any form of  
14 approval by the board of supervisors. Monies in the fund are subject to  
15 legislative appropriation.

16       B. Monies in the fund shall be used for employer sanctions  
17 enforcement, enforcing **AND PROSECUTING** human smuggling and drug smuggling  
18 laws, gang and strict immigration enforcement **AND PROSECUTION**, county jail  
19 reimbursement costs relating to illegal immigration and any other use  
20 previously authorized in an allocation made by law for the gang and  
21 immigration intelligence team enforcement mission.

22       C. Each year that monies are available in the fund and as soon as  
23 is practicable after July 1 of each year, the first \$500,000 shall be  
24 allocated to a county sheriff of a county with a population of less than  
25 five hundred thousand persons but more than three hundred thousand persons  
26 and any remaining monies shall be used for agreements or contracts in  
27 accordance with subsection **D- E** of this section, except that no monies may  
28 be used for agreements or contracts with a county sheriff of a county with  
29 a population of more than three million persons.

30       **D. THE GANG AND IMMIGRATION INTELLIGENCE TEAM ENFORCEMENT MISSION**  
31 **SHALL PARTNER WITH SHERIFFS IN THE COUNTIES LOCATED ON THE BORDER BETWEEN**  
32 **THIS STATE AND MEXICO TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SOUTHERN ARIZONA**  
33 **COUNTERTERRORISM INFORMATION CENTER TO RECEIVE, ANALYZE, GATHER AND SHARE**  
34 **ANY INFORMATION BETWEEN STATE, LOCAL, FEDERAL, TRIBAL AND PRIVATE SECTOR**  
35 **PARTICIPANTS RELATED TO ANY POTENTIAL THREATS.**

36       **D- E.** If the department uses monies from the fund for an agreement  
37 or contract with a city, town, county or other entity to provide services  
38 for the gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement mission, the  
39 city, town, county or other entity shall provide not less than twenty-five  
40 percent of the cost of the services and the department shall provide not  
41 more than seventy-five percent of personal services and employee related  
42 expenditures for each agreement or contract but may fund all capital  
43 related equipment. This subsection does not apply to a county with a  
44 population of less than five hundred thousand persons but more than three  
45 hundred thousand persons.

1        ~~E.~~ F. The gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement  
2 mission border security and law enforcement subaccount is established  
3 consisting of monies deposited pursuant to section 12-116.04 and monies  
4 appropriated by the legislature. The department shall administer the  
5 subaccount. Any monies distributed from the subaccount to a county  
6 sheriff shall go directly to the county sheriff and are not subject to any  
7 form of approval by the board of supervisors. Monies in the subaccount  
8 are subject to legislative appropriation. All appropriated monies in the  
9 subaccount shall be distributed each fiscal year to local entities and no  
10 monies may be retained by the department for its own use. The monies in  
11 the subaccount shall be used for law enforcement purposes related to  
12 border security, including border personnel, and for safety equipment that  
13 is worn or used by a peace officer who is employed by a county sheriff.

14        ~~F.~~ G. A law enforcement agency shall not receive any monies from  
15 the fund unless the law enforcement agency certifies each fiscal year in  
16 writing to the director of the department of public safety that the law  
17 enforcement agency is complying with section 11-1051 to the fullest extent  
18 allowed by law.

19        ~~G.~~ H. The department shall submit an expenditure plan to the joint  
20 legislative budget committee for review before expending any monies not  
21 identified in the department's previous expenditure plans. Within thirty  
22 days after the last day of each calendar quarter, the department shall  
23 provide a summary of quarterly and year-to-date expenditures and progress  
24 to the joint legislative budget committee, including any prior year  
25 appropriations that were nonlapsing.

26        ~~H.~~ I. Before the department spends any monies appropriated in the  
27 general appropriations act each fiscal year from the gang and immigration  
28 intelligence team enforcement mission border security and law enforcement  
29 subaccount established by subsection ~~E~~ F of this section, the department  
30 shall submit the subaccount's entire expenditure plan to the joint  
31 legislative budget committee for review.

32        Sec. 2. Appropriations; gang and immigration intelligence  
33                  team enforcement mission fund; southern Arizona  
34                  counterterrorism information center; exemption

35        A. The following amounts are appropriated in the following fiscal  
36 years from the consumer remediation subaccount of the consumer restitution  
37 and remediation revolving fund established by section 44-1531.02, Arizona  
38 Revised Statutes, to the gang and immigration intelligence team  
39 enforcement mission fund established by section 41-1724, Arizona Revised  
40 Statutes, as amended by this act:

- 41                  1. \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024-2025.  
42                  2. \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2025-2026.

1       B. The following amounts are appropriated in the following fiscal  
2 years from the gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement mission  
3 fund established by section 41-1724, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended  
4 by this act, to the department of public safety to establish and maintain  
5 a southern Arizona counterterrorism information center:

- 6           1. \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024-2025.  
7           2. \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2025-2026.

8       C. The appropriations made in subsections A and B of this section  
9 are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised  
10 Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations.