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Introduced by
Senators Arzberger, Brotherton, Rios; Representatives Aguirre A, Alvarez,
Burns J, Chase, Loreda, O'Halleran, Wagner; Senator Cannell R;
Representatives McClure, Straughn

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 36, CHAPTER 29, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 36-2923; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Title 36, chapter 29, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 36-2923, to read:

4 36-2923. Stable, accessible, viable and efficient rural
5 hospital fund; exemption

6 A. THE STABLE, ACCESSIBLE, VIABLE AND EFFICIENT RURAL HOSPITAL FUND IS
7 ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS. THE ADMINISTRATION
8 SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND TO INCREASE INPATIENT REIMBURSEMENT FOR RURAL
9 HOSPITALS THAT REFLECTS THE COST OF PROVIDING CARE. THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL
10 PRESCRIBE A METHODOLOGY FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE MONIES IN THE FUND TO
11 QUALIFYING HOSPITALS.

12 B. MONIES IN THE FUND ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND ARE EXEMPT
13 FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS.

14 C. ON NOTICE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST
15 AND DIVEST MONIES IN THE FUND AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 35-313, AND MONIES
16 EARNED FROM INVESTMENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND.

17 Sec. 2. Appropriation; purpose; exemption

18 A. The sum of \$7,000,000 is appropriated from the medically needy
19 account established by section 36-774, Arizona Revised Statutes, in fiscal
20 year 2004-2005 to the Arizona health care cost containment system
21 administration for deposit in the stable, accessible, viable and efficient
22 rural hospital fund established by section 36-2923, Arizona Revised Statutes.

23 B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
24 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to
25 lapsing of appropriations.

26 Sec. 3. Exemption from rule making

27 For the purposes of this act, the Arizona health care cost containment
28 system administration is exempt from the rule making requirements of title
29 41, chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, for one year after the effective
30 date of this act.