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Arizona House of RepresentativesRepresentative David Cook (R-8)

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Representative Cook Thanks Governor Ducey for Signing HB 2253 Into Law

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative David Cook (R-8) today thanked Governor Ducey for signing HB 2253 into law.

HB 2253, an agricultural bill focused on animal identification and powers afforded to the state veterinarian, would prevent sensitive data from being submitted to the federal government unless required by state law or volunteered through participation in the National Animal Identification System. This data includes: "premises registration data, animal identification data, animal tracking data, producer information, or other information relating to animal identification...."

"As the only agriculture producer in the House, I know firsthand the effect burdensome regulations can have on cattle ranchers and agribusinesses," said Representative Cook. "This new law is much-needed to follow national protocols and safely ship our cattle out of Arizona. I thank Governor Ducey and those involved in the stakeholder process for standing up for an industry critical to the economy of Arizona."

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