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Introduced by
Senators Brophy McGee: Otondo, Pratt, Worsley; Representative Carter

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Appropriation; department of economic security;
3 supplemental nutrition assistance program;
4 reversion; definitions

5 A. The sum of \$400,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2018-1019
6 from the state general fund to the department of economic security for the
7 following purposes:

8 1. To plan, prepare and develop the infrastructure necessary to
9 implement a produce incentive program for supplemental nutrition
10 assistance program enrollees to purchase eligible Arizona-grown fruits and
11 vegetables at SNAP-authorized farmers markets, farm stands, mobile
12 markets, community supported agriculture sites and grocery stores.

13 2. To provide matching monies of up to twenty dollars per
14 participating SNAP-authorized site per day for an enrollee in the
15 supplemental nutrition assistance program to purchase eligible
16 Arizona-grown fruits and vegetables at the participating SNAP-authorized
17 site.

18 3. To conduct research and evaluate the produce incentive program
19 and the impact of the program on purchases made by supplemental nutrition
20 assistance program enrollees and producers of Arizona-grown fruits and
21 vegetables.

22 B. Monies appropriated in subsection A of this section may be spent
23 in fiscal years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. All monies remaining unexpended
24 and unencumbered on June 30, 2020 revert to the state general fund.

25 C. For the purposes of this section:

26 1. "Eligible Arizona-grown fruits and vegetables" means any
27 Arizona-grown variety of fresh, canned, dried or frozen whole or cut
28 fruits and vegetables that do not contain added sugars, fats, oils or
29 salt.

30 2. "SNAP" means the supplemental nutrition assistance program.