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CHAPTER 53
SENATE BILL 1687

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 23-706, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO BUDGET
RECONCILIATION FOR HUMAN SERVICES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 23-706, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 23-706. Use of special administration fund: transfer of
5 monies

6 A. The department may use all or any part of the ~~funds~~ MONIES in
7 the special administration fund:

8 ~~1. For the purpose of acquiring~~ TO ACQUIRE suitable office space
9 for the units of the department performing functions provided by this
10 chapter by purchase, lease, contract or in any other manner, including the
11 right to use the ~~funds~~ MONIES or any part of the ~~funds~~ MONIES to purchase
12 land and erect on the land such buildings as it deems necessary, or to
13 assist in financing the construction of any building erected by ~~the~~ THIS
14 state or any of its agencies in which available space will be provided for
15 the units of the department performing functions provided by this chapter
16 under lease or contract between the department and ~~the~~ THIS state or THE
17 state agency. ~~The department may also use all or any part of the funds in~~
18 ~~the special administration fund to reimburse,~~

19 2. In case of AN administrative error by the department, TO
20 REIMBURSE employers ~~which~~ THAT have elected to make payments in lieu of
21 contributions pursuant to section 23-750.

22 3. TO PAY FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS
23 STUDY CLIENT SERVICES.

24 B. The department may transfer from the employment security
25 administration fund to the special administration fund amounts not
26 exceeding ~~funds~~ THE AMOUNT OF MONIES specifically available to the
27 department for that purpose, equivalent to the fair, reasonable rental
28 value of land and buildings acquired for the use of units of the
29 department performing functions provided by this chapter until ~~such time~~
30 ~~as~~ the full amount of the purchase price of the land and buildings and the
31 cost of repair and maintenance ~~thereof as~~ OF THE LAND AND BUILDINGS THAT
32 was expended from the special administration fund has been returned to the
33 SPECIAL ADMINISTRATION fund. The department may also transfer from the
34 employment security administration fund to the special administration fund
35 amounts not exceeding ~~funds~~ THE AMOUNT OF MONIES specifically available to
36 the department for that purpose, equivalent to the fair, reasonable rental
37 value of space used by the units of the department performing functions
38 provided by this chapter in a building erected by ~~the~~ THIS state or any of
39 its agencies until ~~such time as~~ the department's proportionate amount of
40 the purchase price of the building and the department's proportionate
41 amount of the costs of repair and maintenance ~~thereof as~~ OF THE BUILDING
42 THAT was expended from the special administration fund has been returned
43 to the SPECIAL ADMINISTRATION fund.

1 C. If the department deems the amount in the special administration
2 fund ~~in excess of~~ TO EXCEED future needs, ~~it~~ THE DEPARTMENT may transfer
3 all or a portion of the MONIES IN THE special administration fund to the
4 unemployment compensation fund.

5 D. Expenditures or transfers from the special administration fund
6 are subject to ~~the provisions of~~ section 23-705.

7 Sec. 2. Department of economic security; drug testing; TANF
8 cash benefits recipients

9 During fiscal year 2020-2021, the department of economic security
10 shall screen and test each adult recipient who is otherwise eligible for
11 temporary assistance for needy families cash benefits and who the
12 department has reasonable cause to believe engages in the illegal use of
13 controlled substances. Any recipient who is found to have tested positive
14 for the use of a controlled substance that was not prescribed for the
15 recipient by a licensed health care provider is ineligible to receive
16 benefits for a period of one year.

17 Sec. 3. Auditor general; department of child safety; report;
18 delayed repeal

19 A. On or before September 30, 2021, the auditor general shall
20 provide to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, the
21 president of the senate and the directors of the joint legislative budget
22 committee and the governor's office of strategic planning and budgeting a
23 report regarding the department of child safety's practices for
24 classifying and locating runaway or missing children. The report shall:

- 25 1. Compare the program to best practices.
- 26 2. Recommend improvements, as appropriate.

27 B. This section is repealed from and after December 31, 2021.

28 Sec. 4. Temporary assistance for needy families; waivers

29 During the state of emergency declaration period for coronavirus
30 disease 2019, the department of economic security, under the direction of
31 the governor, shall provide:

32 1. Notwithstanding section 46-294, Arizona Revised Statutes, an
33 exemption from the state time limits for temporary assistance for needy
34 families cash assistance.

35 2. Notwithstanding section 46-299, Arizona Revised Statutes, a
36 general waiver of the work requirements for temporary assistance for needy
37 families cash assistance.

38 Sec. 5. Arizona health care cost containment system; provider
39 payments; temporary adjustments

40 A. The Arizona health care cost containment system administration
41 may authorize payments to providers of behavioral health services and
42 providers of services to individuals with intellectual and developmental
43 disabilities and individuals who are elderly or have physical disabilities
44 in order to ensure that providers maintain capacity to continue to provide
45 services during the state of emergency for the coronavirus disease 2019.

1 The administration shall implement payments to providers in a manner that
2 ensures federal financial participation eligibility for the expenditures
3 and is within the administration's expenditure authority for fiscal year
4 2019-2020.

5 B. The department of economic security and the Arizona health care
6 cost containment system may temporarily adjust provider reimbursement
7 rates for services to individuals with intellectual and developmental
8 disabilities that are in a member's individual service plan within the
9 department's expenditure authority for fiscal year 2019-2020 in order to
10 provide additional funding for increased overtime expenses that service
11 providers experience due to the loss of staff during the state public
12 health emergency for the coronavirus disease 2019 during fiscal year
13 2019-2020.

14 Sec. 6. Retroactivity

15 Sections 4 and 5 of this act apply retroactively to from and after
16 March 10, 2020.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MARCH 28, 2020.

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