

Senate Engrossed House Bill

~~Arizona dude ranches; historic designation~~  
(now: dude ranches; heritage trail program)

State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
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Second Regular Session  
2022

**CHAPTER 203**  
**HOUSE BILL 2398**

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 4.2, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTION 41-867; RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Title 41, chapter 4.2, article 1, Arizona Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 41-867, to read:

4 41-867. Arizona dude ranch heritage trail program; Arizona  
5 heritage ranch designation; plaque; Arizona  
6 heritage trail

7 A. THE ARIZONA DUDE RANCH HERITAGE TRAIL PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED IN  
8 THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD TO SERVE AS A GUIDE TO WORKING DUDE RANCHES  
9 IN THIS STATE.

10 B. THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD SHALL DESIGNATE A DUDE RANCH FOR  
11 INCLUSION IN THE ARIZONA DUDE RANCH HERITAGE TRAIL PROGRAM IF ALL OF THE  
12 FOLLOWING APPLY:

13 1. THE OWNER OF THE DUDE RANCH APPLIES TO THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS  
14 BOARD IN A MANNER DETERMINED BY THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD.

15 2. THE DUDE RANCH HAS BEEN IN BUSINESS FOR AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE  
16 YEARS.

17 3. THE DUDE RANCH CONSISTS OF AT LEAST ONE THOUSAND CONTIGUOUS  
18 ACRES THAT ARE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

19 (a) PRIVATE PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE HEADQUARTERS.

20 (b) LEASED PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE HEADQUARTERS. FOR THE PURPOSES  
21 OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE LEASE AGREEMENT MAY BE FOR PRIVATE OR PUBLIC REAL  
22 PROPERTY AND MUST BE IN WRITING AND INCLUDE RIDING RIGHTS.

23 (c) PUBLIC LAND THAT IS SUBJECT TO A RIDING PERMIT.

24 4. THE DUDE RANCH PROVIDES RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES THAT INCLUDE  
25 HORSEBACK RIDING, HIKING, BIKING OR A WORKING CATTLE RANCH EXPERIENCE FOR  
26 GUESTS.

27 5. THE DUDE RANCH HAS AN ORGANIZED AND SUPERVISED HORSE PROGRAM ON  
28 THE PROPERTY WITH A HORSE HERD THAT CONSISTS OF A NUMBER OF HORSES THAT IS  
29 EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF GUEST ACCOMMODATIONS.

30 6. THE DUDE RANCH USES AT LEAST ONE PERMANENT STRUCTURE THAT HAS  
31 RUNNING WATER, SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND A KITCHEN.

32 7. THE DUDE RANCH PROVIDES GUESTS WITH THREE MEALS EACH DAY AS PART  
33 OF THE DUDE RANCH'S PRIMARY PACKAGE, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE "AMERICAN  
34 PLAN".

35 8. THE DUDE RANCH INCLUDES THE WORD "RANCH" OR "RANCHO" IN THE  
36 RANCH'S NAME.

37 C. THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD SHALL MAKE A DETERMINATION ON THE  
38 DESIGNATION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING AN APPLICATION PURSUANT TO  
39 THIS SECTION.

40 D. THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD IN COOPERATION WITH THE LARGEST  
41 DUDE RANCH OR GUEST RANCH ASSOCIATION IN THIS STATE SHALL DEVELOP INDICIA  
42 AND SIGNAGE THAT RANCHES MAY USE TO IDENTIFY AND PROMOTE THE ARIZONA  
43 HERITAGE RANCH DESIGNATION. THE APPLICANT SHALL PAY FOR THE COST OF  
44 DESIGNING AND CREATING THE PLAQUE.

1           E. THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD SHALL ALLOW ADDITIONS OR  
2       MODIFICATIONS TO A DUDE RANCH WITH DESIGNATION AS AN ARIZONA HERITAGE  
3       RANCH IF THE ORIGINAL CHARACTER OF THE DUDE RANCH IS PRESERVED.

4           F. THE ARIZONA DUDE RANCH HERITAGE TRAIL SHALL CONSIST OF DUDE  
5       RANCHES THAT ARE DESIGNATED AS AN ARIZONA HERITAGE RANCH PURSUANT TO THIS  
6       SECTION.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 29, 2022.

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