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**HB 2591: border security fund; administration**  
**Sponsor: Representative Grantham, LD 12**  
**Transmitted to Governor**

**Overview**

Authorizes the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) to use up to \$250,000 from the Border Security Fund (BSF) to pay for additional full-time equivalent (FTE) positions.

**History**

Since FY 2012, \$90,000 and 1 FTE have been appropriated from the state General Fund to DEMA ([A.R.S. § 26-263](#)).

In FY 2021, the BSF was created and appropriated \$55,000,000 for costs associated with body-worn cameras, cameras and equipment for the Southern Arizona border region, use of the Arizona National Guard at the Southern Arizona border region, and a pilot program to reduce human trafficking ([FY 2022 Appropriations Report](#)).

In FY 2022, the Criminal Justice Budget Reconciliation Bill required that DEMA use monies in the fund to:

- 1) Prevent human trafficking;
- 2) Prevent the entry of unlawfully present aliens, terrorists and instruments of terrorism and contraband into the United States;
- 3) Plan, design, construct and maintain transportation, technology and commercial vehicle inspection infrastructure near Arizona's international border;
- 4) Clear nonindigenous plants;
- 5) Administer and manage the construction and maintenance of a physical border fence;
- 6) Award grants to counties to provide housing in secure facilities; and
- 7) Award grants to counties for prosecuting individuals who commit the crimes listed above ([A.R.S. § 26-105](#)).

**Provisions**

1. Allows DEMA to use up to \$250,000 each fiscal year from the BSF to pay for additional FTE positions. (Sec. 1)
2. Makes conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

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