

REFERENCE TITLE: appropriation; agriculture; brand inspectors

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HB 2544

Introduced by
Representative Diaz

AN ACT

AMENDING LAWS 2024, CHAPTER 209, SECTION 18; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Laws 2024, chapter 209, section 18 is amended to read:

3 Sec. 18. ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

4		<u>2024-25</u>
5	FTE positions	209.4 214.4
6	Operating lump sum appropriation	\$ 16,941,200
7	Agricultural employment relations	
8	board	23,300
9	Animal damage control	65,000
10	Red imported fire ant control	23,200
11	Agricultural consulting and	
12	training	<u>135,700</u>
13	Total appropriation – Arizona department	
14	of agriculture	\$ 17,188,400
15	Fund sources:	
16	State general fund	\$ 15,605,100
17	Air quality fund	1,583,300

18 Sec. 2. Arizona department of agriculture; brand inspectors

19 The Arizona department of agriculture shall use the five additional
 20 full-time equivalent positions added pursuant to section 1 of this act to
 21 increase the number of brand inspectors employed by the department by five
 22 full-time equivalent positions. The department shall allocate the five
 23 additional full-time equivalent positions to prioritize brand inspections
 24 in Graham and Greenlee counties.