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Introduced by
Representative Livingston (with permission of Committee on Rules)

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 12, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 12-102.05; AMENDING TITLE 12, CHAPTER 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING ARTICLE 13; REPEALING SECTION 12-299.16, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTIONS 13-2314.01, 31-227 AND 41-2409, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING LAWS 2023, CHAPTER 137, SECTION 4, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2024, CHAPTER 213, SECTION 8; AMENDING LAWS 2025, CHAPTER 56, SECTIONS 1 AND 2; RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Title 12, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 12-102.05, to read:

4 12-102.05. Child and family representation; report

5 A. THE CHILD AND FAMILY REPRESENTATION PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED IN
6 THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLABORATING
7 WITH SUPERIOR COURTS, JUDGES AND ATTORNEYS TO ENSURE UNIFORM, HIGH-QUALITY
8 LEGAL REPRESENTATION BY ATTORNEYS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 8-221.

9 B. THE SUPREME COURT SHALL EMPLOY ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER
10 PERSONNEL THAT IT DETERMINES ARE NECESSARY TO PROPERLY ADMINISTER THE
11 PROGRAM, INCLUDING A CHILD AND FAMILY REPRESENTATION COMPLIANCE CHIEF.

12 C. THE PROGRAM SHALL ENHANCE THE PROVISION OF LEGAL REPRESENTATION
13 FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS BY DOING THE FOLLOWING:

14 1. ASSESSING THE PROVISION AND AVAILABILITY OF HIGH-QUALITY,
15 ACCESSIBLE TRAINING IN THIS STATE FOR PERSONS WHO SERVE AS COUNSEL FOR
16 CHILDREN AND PARENTS AND FOR JUDGES WHO REGULARLY HEAR DEPENDENCY MATTERS.

17 2. MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPREME COURT CONCERNING THE
18 ESTABLISHMENT OR MODIFICATION, BY COURT RULE, OF MINIMUM TRAINING
19 REQUIREMENTS AND PRACTICE STANDARDS THAT ATTORNEYS WHO SERVE AS COUNSEL
20 SHALL MEET, INCLUDING APPROPRIATE MAXIMUM CASELOADS, MINIMUM
21 RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES AND PRACTICE GUIDELINES.

22 3. AUDITING THE PRACTICE OF COUNSEL TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL
23 RELEVANT STATUTES, COURT RULES, OTHER DIRECTIVES, POLICIES OR PROCEDURES
24 AND CONTRACT PROVISIONS.

25 4. FILING ETHICAL COMPLAINTS AGAINST ATTORNEYS WHO VIOLATE THE
26 RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT RELATED TO THE REPRESENTATION OF CHILDREN
27 AND PARENTS IN DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS.

28 5. WORKING COOPERATIVELY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SAFETY, THE
29 OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, JUDGES, ATTORNEYS, CHILDREN AND PARENTS
30 WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM TO FORM PARTNERSHIPS
31 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING HIGH-QUALITY LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR CHILDREN
32 AND PARENTS.

33 6. RECOMMENDING FAIR AND REALISTIC COMPENSATION RATES THAT ARE
34 SUFFICIENT TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN HIGH-QUALITY, EXPERIENCED ATTORNEYS TO
35 SERVE AS COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS.

36 7. SEEKING TO ENHANCE EXISTING FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE PROVISION OF
37 HIGH-QUALITY COUNSEL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS AND STUDYING THE
38 AVAILABILITY OF OR DEVELOPING NEW FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE PROVISION OF
39 COUNSEL.

40 8. DEVELOPING MEASURES TO ASSESS AND DOCUMENT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
41 COUNSEL AND THE OUTCOMES ACHIEVED BY CHILDREN WHO ARE REPRESENTED BY
42 COUNSEL IN CONSULTATION WITH STATE AND NATIONAL INTEREST GROUPS WITH AN
43 UNDERSTANDING OF BEST PRACTICES FOR REPRESENTING CHILDREN AND PARENTS IN
44 DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS.

1 9. ASSISTING FOSTER PARENTS, FOSTER CHILDREN, BIOLOGICAL PARENTS
2 AND OTHER PERSONS WHO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF AN ALLEGED VIOLATION WITH FILING
3 ETHICAL COMPLAINTS RELATED TO THE REPRESENTATION OF CHILDREN AND PARENTS
4 IN DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS.

5 D. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR, THE PROGRAM SHALL REPORT TO
6 THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
7 REPRESENTATIVES ON THE MEASURES TAKEN TO ASSESS AND DOCUMENT THE
8 EFFECTIVENESS OF COUNSEL. BEGINNING IN 2030 AND EVERY FIVE YEARS
9 THEREAFTER, THE LEGISLATURE SHALL REVIEW THE PROGRAM OUTCOMES TO DETERMINE
10 WHETHER THE PROGRAM SHOULD BE CONTINUED.

11 Sec. 2. Title 12, chapter 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
12 by adding article 13, to read:

13 ARTICLE 13. JUDICIAL OFFICER AND EMPLOYEE RESTRICTIONS

14 12-299.15. Court officers; state boards; prohibition

15 UNLESS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE CONSTITUTION, STATE LAW OR AN
16 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE COURT, AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED JUDICIAL
17 OFFICER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH MAY NOT SERVE ON ANY BOARD,
18 COMMISSION, COUNCIL OR TASK FORCE.

19 12-299.16. Court officers; family law; salary increase;
20 prohibition

21 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025-2026, 2026-2027 AND 2027-2028, A JUDICIAL
22 OFFICER OR AN EMPLOYEE WHO HANDLES FAMILY LAW MATTERS MAY NOT RECEIVE A
23 SALARY INCREASE, RAISE, BONUS OR COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT.

24 Sec. 3. Delayed repeal

25 Section 12-299.16, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act,
26 is repealed from and after June 30, 2028.

27 Sec. 4. Section 13-2314.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
28 read:

29 13-2314.01. Anti-racketeering revolving fund; use of monies;
30 reports; audit

31 A. The anti-racketeering revolving fund is established. The
32 attorney general shall administer the fund under the conditions and for
33 the purposes provided by this section. Monies in the fund are exempt from
34 the lapsing provisions of section 35-190.

35 B. Any prosecution and investigation costs, including attorney
36 fees, that are recovered for the state by the attorney general as a result
37 of enforcement of civil and criminal statutes pertaining to any offense
38 included in the definition of racketeering in section 13-2301, subsection
39 D, paragraph 4 or section 13-2312, whether by final judgment, settlement
40 or otherwise, shall be deposited in the fund established by this section.

41 C. Any monies received by any department or agency of this state or
42 any political subdivision of this state from any department or agency of
43 the United States or another state as a result of participation in any
44 investigation or prosecution, whether by final judgment, settlement or
45 otherwise, shall be deposited in the fund established by this section or,

1 if the recipient is a political subdivision of this state, may be
2 deposited in the fund established pursuant to section 13-2314.03.

3 D. Any monies obtained as a result of a forfeiture by any
4 department or agency of this state under this title or under federal law
5 shall be deposited in the fund established by this section. Any monies or
6 other property obtained as a result of a forfeiture by any political
7 subdivision of this state or the federal government may be deposited in
8 the fund established by this section. Monies deposited in the fund
9 pursuant to this section or section 13-4315 shall accrue interest and
10 shall be held for the benefit of the agency or agencies responsible for
11 the seizure or forfeiture to the extent of their contribution.

12 E. Except as provided in subsections H and I of this section, the
13 monies and interest shall be distributed within thirty days after
14 application to the agency or agencies responsible for the seizure or
15 forfeiture. The agency or agencies applying for monies must submit an
16 application in writing to the attorney general that includes a description
17 of what the requested monies will be used for. The attorney general may
18 deny an application that requests monies for a purpose that is not
19 authorized by this section, section 13-4315 or federal law. Monies in the
20 fund used by the attorney general for capital projects in excess of
21 \$1,000,000 are subject to review by the joint committee on capital review.

22 F. Monies in the fund may be used for the following:

23 1. Funding gang prevention programs, substance abuse prevention
24 programs, substance abuse education programs, programs that provide
25 assistance to victims of a criminal offense that is listed in section
26 13-2301 and witness protection pursuant to section 41-196 or for any
27 purpose permitted by federal law relating to disposing of any property
28 that is transferred to a law enforcement agency.

29 2. Investigating and prosecuting any offense included in the
30 definition of racketeering in section 13-2301, subsection D, paragraph 4
31 or section 13-2312, including civil enforcement.

32 3. Paying the relocation expenses of any law enforcement officer
33 and the officer's immediate family if the law enforcement officer is the
34 victim of a bona fide threat that occurred because of the law enforcement
35 officer's duties.

36 4. Paying the costs of the reports, audits and application
37 approvals that are required by this section.

38 G. Notwithstanding subsection F of this section, beginning from and
39 after August 27, 2025, the attorney general may not use monies from the
40 fund to pay salaries for full-time equivalent positions in the attorney
41 general's office.

42 H. On or before January 28, April 28, July 28 and October 28 of
43 each year, each department or agency of this state receiving monies
44 pursuant to this section or section 13-2314.03 or 13-4315 or from any
45 department or agency of the United States or another state as a result of

1 participation in any investigation or prosecution shall file with the
2 attorney general, the board of supervisors if the sheriff received the
3 monies and the city or town council if the city's or town's department
4 received the monies a report for the previous calendar quarter. The
5 report shall be in an electronic form that is prescribed by the Arizona
6 criminal justice commission and approved by the director of the joint
7 legislative budget committee. The report shall set forth the sources of
8 all monies and all expenditures as required by subsection L of this
9 section. The report shall not include any identifying information about
10 specific investigations. If a department or agency of this state fails to
11 file a report within forty-five days after the report is due and there is
12 no good cause as determined by the Arizona criminal justice commission,
13 the attorney general shall make no expenditures from the fund for the
14 benefit of the department or agency until the report is filed. The
15 attorney general is responsible for collecting all reports from
16 departments and agencies of this state and transmitting the reports to the
17 Arizona criminal justice commission at the time that the report required
18 pursuant to subsection I of this section is submitted.

19 I. On or before February 21, May 21, August 21 and November 21 of
20 each year, the attorney general shall file with the Arizona criminal
21 justice commission a report for the previous calendar quarter. The report
22 shall be in an electronic form that is prescribed by the Arizona criminal
23 justice commission and approved by the director of the joint legislative
24 budget committee. The report shall set forth the sources of all monies
25 and all expenditures as required by subsections K and L of this section.
26 The report shall not include any identifying information about specific
27 investigations. If the attorney general fails to file a report within
28 sixty days after the report is due and there is no good cause as
29 determined by the Arizona criminal justice commission, the attorney
30 general shall make no expenditures from the fund for the benefit of the
31 attorney general until the report is filed. If a political subdivision of
32 this state fails to file a report with the county attorney pursuant to
33 section 13-2314.03 within forty-five days after the report is due and
34 there is no good cause as determined by the Arizona criminal justice
35 commission, the attorney general shall make no expenditures from the fund
36 for the benefit of the political subdivision until the report is filed.

37 J. On or before the last day of February, May, August and November
38 of each year, the Arizona criminal justice commission shall compile the
39 attorney general report and the reports of all departments and agencies of
40 this state into a single comprehensive report for the previous calendar
41 quarter and shall submit an electronic copy of the report to the governor,
42 the director of the department of administration, the president of the
43 senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the director of the
44 joint legislative budget committee and the secretary of state.

1 K. The report that is required by subsection I of this section must
2 include all of the following information if monies were obtained as a
3 result of a forfeiture:

4 1. The name of the law enforcement agency that seized the property.

5 2. The date of the seizure for forfeiture.

6 3. The type of property seized and a description of the property
7 seized, including, if applicable, the make, the model and the serial
8 number of the property.

9 4. The location of the original seizure by law enforcement.

10 5. The estimated value of the property seized for forfeiture, not
11 excluding encumbrances.

12 6. The criminal statute that allowed the seizure for forfeiture.

13 7. The criminal statute charged in the criminal case that is
14 related to the forfeiture case.

15 8. The court case number of the criminal case that is related to
16 the forfeiture case.

17 9. The outcome of the criminal case that is related to the
18 forfeiture case.

19 10. If the property was seized by a state agency and submitted for
20 state forfeiture proceedings but was transferred to federal authorities
21 for forfeiture proceedings, the reason for the federal transfer.

22 11. The forfeiture case number.

23 12. The method of forfeiture proceeding, including whether it was
24 criminal or civil, and if civil, whether a claim was filed by an owner or
25 interest holder.

26 13. The venue of the forfeiture action.

27 14. Whether a person or entity filed a claim or counterclaim or
28 submitted a petition asserting an interest in the property as an owner,
29 interest holder or injured person.

30 15. Whether the owner, interest holder or injured person was
31 assisted by an attorney in the forfeiture case.

32 16. The date of the forfeiture decision.

33 17. Whether there was a forfeiture settlement agreement.

34 18. Whether the property was awarded or partially awarded to the
35 owner, partial owner or injured person or if the property was forfeited to
36 the state.

37 19. Whether the property was sold, destroyed or retained by law
38 enforcement.

39 20. The earliest date that the property was disposed of or sent for
40 disposition.

41 21. The net amount of monies and proceeds received from the
42 forfeiture.

43 22. The estimated administrative and storage costs and any other
44 costs, including any costs of litigation.

1 23. The amount of attorney fees, costs, expenses and damages
2 awarded and to whom the fees, costs, expenses or damages were awarded.

3 L. The reports that are required by subsections H and I of this
4 section must include the following information with regard to all
5 expenditures made from the fund for:

6 1. Crime, gang and substance abuse prevention programs.

7 2. Any injured person as defined in section 13-4301.

8 3. Witness protection.

9 4. Investigation costs, including informant fees and buy money.

10 5. Regular-time salaries, overtime pay and employee benefits of
11 prosecutors.

12 6. Regular-time salaries, overtime pay and employee benefits of
13 sworn law enforcement agency personnel other than prosecutors.

14 7. Regular-time salaries, overtime pay and employee benefits of
15 unsworn law enforcement agency personnel other than prosecutors.

16 8. Professional or outside services, including services related to
17 auditing, outside attorney fees, court reporting, expert witnesses and
18 other court costs.

19 9. Travel and meals.

20 10. Training.

21 11. Conferences.

22 12. Vehicles purchased or leased.

23 13. Vehicle maintenance.

24 14. Canines, firearms and related equipment, including tactical
25 gear.

26 15. Other capital expenditures, including furniture, computers and
27 office equipment.

28 16. External publications and communications.

29 17. Other operating expenses, including office supplies, postage
30 and printing. Expenses listed under this paragraph must be separately
31 categorized.

32 M. Beginning in 2018 and every other year thereafter, the auditor
33 general shall conduct a performance audit, as defined in section 41-1278,
34 and a financial audit of the attorney general's use of monies in the fund.
35 The audits must include all expenditures that were made by the attorney
36 general's office from the fund for the previous two years. The auditor
37 general shall submit copies of the performance and financial audits to the
38 president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and
39 the chairpersons of the senate judiciary committee and the house of
40 representatives judiciary and public safety committee, or their successor
41 committees. The attorney general shall pay any fees and costs of the
42 audits under this section from the fund.

43 N. ANY MONIES DEPOSITED IN THE FUND PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND
44 DISTRIBUTED TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS ARE SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS
45 AND PURPOSES PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

1 Sec. 5. Section 31-227, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
2 read:

3 31-227. Expenses of prosecution; reimbursement of counties

4 A. If a person is arrested within this state for any crime
5 committed in or adjacent and related to a correctional facility under the
6 jurisdiction of the state department of corrections or committed while
7 escaped from a correctional facility under the jurisdiction of the
8 department or from the custody of officials or employees of the department
9 while away from the correctional facility, the clerk of the court in which
10 the legal proceedings relating to the crime are held shall prepare an
11 itemized claim PURSUANT TO AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH
12 THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS against the state for the court costs
13 and any other costs or fees incurred by the county on the prosecution and
14 defense of the case and the cost of confining and keeping the prisoner.
15 The claim shall be certified by the judge of the court, sent to the state
16 department of corrections.

17 B. ON RECEIPT OF THE CLAIM, THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
18 SHALL FILE THE CLAIM WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION and ~~paid~~ SHALL
19 PAY THE CLAIM from the appropriation for the support of the state
20 department of corrections to the county treasurer of the county where the
21 legal proceedings were held. The county treasurer shall deposit the
22 monies in the county general fund.

23 Sec. 6. Section 41-2409, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
24 read:

25 41-2409. State aid; administration; report

26 A. The Arizona criminal justice commission shall administer the
27 state aid to county attorneys fund established by section 11-539. On or
28 before September 1 of each year, the commission shall distribute monies in
29 the fund to each county according to the following composite index
30 formula:

31 1. The three-year average of the total felony filings in the
32 superior court in the county, divided by the statewide three-year average
33 of the total felony filings in the superior court.

34 2. The county population, as adopted by the office of economic
35 opportunity, divided by the statewide population, as adopted by the office
36 of economic opportunity.

37 3. The sum of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection divided by two
38 equals the composite index.

39 4. The composite index for each county shall be used as the
40 multiplier against the total ~~funds~~ MONIES appropriated from the state
41 general fund and other monies distributed to the fund pursuant to section
42 41-2421.

43 B. The board of supervisors in each county shall separately account
44 for the monies transmitted pursuant to subsection A of this section and
45 may expend these monies only for the purposes specified in section

11-539. The county treasurer shall invest these monies and interest earned shall be expended only for the purposes specified in section 11-539.

C. The Arizona criminal justice commission shall administer the state aid to indigent defense fund established by section 11-588. By September 1 of each fiscal year, the commission shall distribute monies in the fund to each county according to the following composite index formula:

1. The three-year average of the total felony filings in the superior court in the county divided by the statewide three-year average of the total felony filings in the superior court.

2. The county population, as adopted by the office of economic opportunity, divided by the statewide population, as adopted by the office of economic opportunity.

3. The sum of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection divided by two equals the composite index.

4. The composite index for each county shall be used as the multiplier against the total ~~funds~~ MONIES appropriated from the state general fund and other monies distributed to the fund pursuant to section 41-2421.

D. The board of supervisors shall separately account for the monies transmitted pursuant to subsection C of this section and may expend these monies only for the purposes specified in section 11-588. The county treasurer shall invest these monies and interest earned shall be expended only for the purposes specified in section 11-588.

E. The Arizona criminal justice commission shall administer the state aid for juvenile dependency proceedings fund established by section 41-2410. On or before September 1 of each fiscal year, the Arizona criminal justice commission shall distribute monies in the fund to each ~~eligible county in which the three-year average of the total juvenile dependency case filings in the superior court in the county exceeds the three-year average juvenile dependency case filings in the superior court of the county for fiscal years 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015~~ based on the proportional share of ~~the increase in petitions~~ FILINGS for each county IN THE MOST RECENT FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH JUVENILE DEPENDENCY CASE FILING FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE. DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE STATE AID FOR JUVENILE DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS FUND TO A COUNTY MAY NOT EXCEED \$250,000 IN ANY FISCAL YEAR. IF A COUNTY DISTRIBUTION IN ANY FISCAL YEAR IS PROJECTED TO EXCEED \$250,000, THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION SHALL DISTRIBUTE MONIES IN EXCESS OF \$250,000 TO THE REMAINING COUNTIES BASED ON THE PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF JUVENILE DEPENDENCY CASE FILINGS STATEWIDE FOR EACH COUNTY LESS THE JUVENILE DEPENDENCY CASE FILINGS FROM THE COUNTIES THAT HAVE REACHED THE MAXIMUM DISTRIBUTION IN THE FISCAL YEAR.

F. The board of supervisors shall separately account for the monies distributed pursuant to subsection E of this section and may spend these monies only for the purposes specified in section 41-2410. The county treasurer shall invest these monies and interest earned shall be spent only for the purposes specified in section 41-2410.

G. On or before January 8 each year, the commission shall report to each county board of supervisors, the governor, the legislature, the joint legislative budget committee, the chief justice of the supreme court and the attorney general on the expenditure of the monies in the state aid to county attorneys fund and the state aid to indigent defense fund for the prior fiscal year and on the progress made in achieving the goal of improved criminal case processing.

Sec. 7. Laws 2023, chapter 137, section 4, as amended by Laws 2024, chapter 213, section 8, is amended to read:

Sec. 4. Fentanyl prosecution, diversion and testing fund; exemption; delayed repeal; transfer of monies

A. The fentanyl prosecution, diversion and testing fund is established consisting of monies appropriated by the legislature. The department of public safety shall administer the fund and may use monies in the fund for costs that are associated with administering the fund. Monies in the fund are continuously appropriated and are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations. The department shall allocate monies in the fund on a first-come, first-served basis to:

1. County attorneys, county sheriffs and courts to reimburse costs related to fentanyl prosecutions in this state that involve a violation of either of the following:

(a) Section 13-3408, subsection A, paragraph 2, 3 or 4, Arizona Revised Statutes.

(b) Section 13-3408, subsection A, paragraph 7, Arizona Revised Statutes, unless the violation involves the transfer or offer to transfer fentanyl.

2. Law enforcement agencies in this state to reimburse costs related to fentanyl testing.

3. Law enforcement agencies in this state to reimburse costs related to fentanyl diversion activities.

B. From and after June 30, ~~2025~~ 2027, this section is repealed and any unexpended or unencumbered monies in the fentanyl prosecution, diversion and testing fund established by this section are transferred to the state general fund.

Sec. 8. Laws 2025, chapter 56, section 1 is amended to read:

Section 1. Appropriations; nuclear emergency management fund

Pursuant to sections 26-306.01 and 26-306.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, the sum of ~~\$2,617,991~~ \$2,667,991 in fiscal year 2025-2026 and the sum of ~~\$2,711,339~~ \$2,761,339 in fiscal year 2026-2027 are appropriated

1 from the nuclear emergency management fund established by section
2 26-306.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, as follows:

3 1. For use by the division of emergency management of the
4 department of emergency and military affairs as provided in section
5 26-306.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, the sum of \$1,266,916 and 8 full time
6 equivalent positions in fiscal year 2025-2026 and the sum of \$1,311,566
7 and 8 full time equivalent positions in fiscal year 2026-2027.

8 2. For use by the Arizona department of agriculture for programs
9 relating to off-site nuclear emergency response plans, the sum of \$347,109
10 and 2.44 full-time equivalent positions in fiscal year 2025-2026 and the
11 sum of \$352,877 and 2.44 full-time equivalent positions in fiscal year
12 2026-2027.

13 3. For disbursement by the division of emergency management of the
14 department of emergency and military affairs to departments and agencies
15 of Maricopa county that are assigned responsibilities under the off-site
16 nuclear emergency response plan, the sum of \$953,966 in fiscal year
17 2025-2026 and the sum of \$996,896 in fiscal year 2026-2027.

18 4. For disbursement by the division of emergency management of the
19 department of emergency and military affairs to departments and agencies
20 of the city of Buckeye that are assigned responsibilities under the
21 off-site nuclear emergency response plan, the sum of \$100,000 in fiscal
22 year 2025-2026 and the sum of \$100,000 in fiscal year 2026-2027.

23 Sec. 9. Laws 2025, chapter 56, section 2 is amended to read:

24 Sec. 2. Assessments

25 Pursuant to section 26-306.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, the sum of
26 ~~\$2,617,991~~ \$2,667,991 in fiscal year 2025-2026 and the sum of ~~\$2,711,339~~
27 \$2,761,339 in fiscal year 2026-2027, plus any applicable interest, are
28 assessed against each consortium of public service corporations and
29 municipal corporations engaged in constructing or operating a commercial
30 nuclear generating station in this state.

31 Sec. 10. Retroactivity

32 Section 41-2409, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act,
33 applies retroactively to from and after June 30, 2025.