

REFERENCE TITLE: appropriation; Arizona geological survey; study

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HB 2798

Introduced by
Representative Carbone

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Appropriation; university of Arizona; study; map;
3 report

4 A. The sum of \$_____ is appropriated from the state general
5 fund in fiscal year 2026-2027 to the university of Arizona for
6 distribution to the Arizona geological survey established by section
7 27-102, Arizona Revised Statutes.

8 B. The monies appropriated by subsection A of this section shall be
9 used to:

10 1. Conduct a study of all minerals and metals, including thorium,
11 that are needed for generation III+ and generation IV small modular
12 reactors and advanced nuclear reactors.

13 2. Create a statewide map of all proven and probable reserves of
14 the minerals and metals identified in paragraph 1 of this subsection. The
15 map shall include the mineral and metal quantities and grades, if known,
16 for each identified proven and probable reserve.

17 C. On or before _____, the Arizona geological survey shall
18 submit a report of the findings of the study conducted pursuant to
19 subsection B of this section to the governor, the president of the senate,
20 the speaker of the house of representatives, the chairperson of the
21 natural resources, energy and water committee of the house of
22 representatives and the chairperson of the natural resources committee of
23 the senate and shall make available a copy of this report on the Arizona
24 geological survey's website.