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**Arizona House of Representatives**

**Representative David Cook (R-8)**

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## **Representative Cook Sends Letter to FDA Regarding *E. coli* Investigation**

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – Representative David Cook (R-8) today sent a letter to the Commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration regarding their investigation of the *E. coli* outbreak last June.

Text of the letter can be found below.

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*September 12, 2018*

*Commissioner Scott Gottlieb  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration  
10903 New Hampshire Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20993*

*Dear Commissioner Gottlieb:*

*I am writing in regards to a pending U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) report on the recent *E. coli* outbreak in Yuma being linked to a feedlot when, in fact, it is not.*

*The unsubstantiated claims against the feedlot have far reaching effects against the industry and are dangerous insinuations not based on facts.*

*I am requesting a stop to this report that has been based on a hypothesis. For the full weight of consequences that this entails, we must rely on scientific data and definitive connections.*

*I would be happy to further discuss this issue.*

*Sincerely,*

*DAVID L. COOK  
State Representative  
Legislative District 8*

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