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Introduced by
Representatives Diaz: Griffin

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY 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; water infrastructure finance
3 authority of Arizona; subsequent active
4 management areas; financial assistance grants;
5 definition

6 A. The sum of \$_____ is appropriated from the state general fund
7 in fiscal year 2025-2026 to the water infrastructure finance authority of
8 Arizona to award financial assistance grants to provide financial
9 assistance to persons that own land in a groundwater basin that has been
10 designated as a subsequent active management area:

11 1. To contract for services of outside advisors, attorneys,
12 consultants and aides, as reasonably necessary or desirable, to enable the
13 persons to challenge the designation of the subsequent active management
14 area.

15 2. If the land was legally irrigated in whole or in part with
16 groundwater at any time during the five years preceding the designation as
17 a subsequent active management area, to contract for services of outside
18 advisors, attorneys, consultants and aides, as reasonably necessary or
19 desirable, to enable the persons to challenge the management goal or
20 management plan the director of water resources adopts for the subsequent
21 active management area pursuant to section 45-569, Arizona Revised
22 Statutes, or to challenge the maximum amount of groundwater the director
23 computes that the persons may use in the subsequent active management area
24 pursuant to section 45-465, Arizona Revised Statutes.

25 B. For the purposes of this section, "subsequent active management
26 area" has the same meaning prescribed in section 45-402, Arizona Revised
27 Statutes.