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**CHAPTER 161**  
**SENATE BILL 1092**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 3-107, 3-108 AND 3-204, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 3-204.01; AMENDING SECTIONS 3-205, 3-206, 3-214.01, 3-1082, 3-1083, 3-1084, 3-1085, 3-1086, 3-1086.02, 3-1087, 41-712 AND 41-2501, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION COUNCIL.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 3-107, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 3-107. Organizational and administrative powers and duties of  
5 the director

6 A. The director shall:

7 1. Formulate the program and policies of the department and adopt  
8 administrative rules to effect its program and policies.

9 2. Ensure coordination and cooperation in the department in order to  
10 achieve a unified policy of administering and executing its responsibilities.

11 3. Subject to section 35-149, accept, expend and account for gifts,  
12 grants, devises and other contributions of money or property from any public  
13 or private source, including the federal government. All contributions shall  
14 be included in the annual report under paragraph 6 of this subsection.  
15 Monies received under this paragraph shall be deposited, pursuant to sections  
16 35-146 and 35-147, in special funds for the purpose specified, which are  
17 exempt from the provisions of section 35-190 relating to lapsing of  
18 appropriations.

19 4. Contract and enter into interagency and intergovernmental  
20 agreements pursuant to title 11, chapter 7, article 3 with any private party  
21 or public agency.

22 5. Administer oaths to witnesses and issue and direct the service of  
23 subpoenas requiring witnesses to attend and testify at or requiring the  
24 production of evidence in hearings, investigations and other proceedings.

25 6. Not later than September 30 each year, issue a report to the  
26 governor and the legislature of the department's activities during the  
27 preceding fiscal year. The report may recommend statutory changes to improve  
28 the department's ability to achieve the purposes and policies established by  
29 law. The director shall provide a copy of the report to the Arizona state  
30 library, archives and public records.

31 7. Establish, equip and maintain a central office in Phoenix and field  
32 offices as the director deems necessary.

33 8. Sign all vouchers to expend money under this title, which shall be  
34 paid as other claims against this state out of the appropriations to the  
35 department.

36 9. Coordinate agricultural education efforts to foster an  
37 understanding of Arizona agriculture and to promote a more efficient  
38 cooperation and understanding among agricultural educators, producers,  
39 dealers, buyers, mass media and the consuming public to stimulate the  
40 production, consumption and marketing of Arizona agricultural products.

41 10. Employ staff subject to title 41, chapter 4, article 4 and  
42 terminate employment for cause as provided by title 41, chapter 4, article 5.

1           11. Conduct hearings on appeals ~~of the portion of plow up refunds~~  
2 ~~withheld as a penalty pursuant to criteria adopted pursuant to section~~  
3 ~~3-1087, subsection B~~ BY PRODUCERS REGARDING THE ASSESSED ACTUAL COSTS OF THE  
4 PLOW UP AND THE PENALTY OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY PER CENT FOR UNPAID COSTS  
5 PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-204.01. The director may adopt rules to implement this  
6 paragraph.

7           12. Cooperate with the Arizona-Mexico commission in the governor's  
8 office and with researchers at universities in this state to collect data and  
9 conduct projects in the United States and Mexico on issues that are within  
10 the scope of the department's duties and that relate to quality of life,  
11 trade and economic development in this state in a manner that will help the  
12 Arizona-Mexico commission to assess and enhance the economic competitiveness  
13 of this state and of the Arizona-Mexico region.

14           B. The director may:

15           1. Authorize in writing any qualified officer or employee in the  
16 department to perform any act that the director is authorized or required to  
17 do by law.

18           2. Construct and operate border inspection stations or other necessary  
19 facilities in this state and cooperate by joint agreement with an adjoining  
20 state in constructing and operating border inspection stations or other  
21 facilities within the boundaries of this state or of the adjoining state.

22           3. Cooperate with agencies of the United States and other states and  
23 other agencies of this state and enter into agreements in developing and  
24 administering state and federal agricultural programs regarding the use of  
25 department officers, inspectors or other resources in this state, in other  
26 states or in other countries.

27           4. Cooperate with the office of tourism in distributing Arizona  
28 tourist information.

29           5. Enter into compliance agreements with any person, state or  
30 regulatory agency. For the purposes of this paragraph, "compliance  
31 agreement" means any written agreement or permit between a person and the  
32 department for the purpose of enforcing the department's requirements.

33           6. Abate, suppress, control, regulate, seize, quarantine or destroy  
34 any agricultural product or foodstuff that is adulterated or contaminated as  
35 the result of an accident at a commercial nuclear generating station as  
36 defined in section 26-301, paragraph 1. A person owning an agricultural  
37 product or foodstuff that has been subject to this paragraph may request a  
38 hearing pursuant to title 41, chapter 6, article 10.

39           7. Engage in joint venture activities with businesses and commodity  
40 groups that are specifically designed to further the mission of the  
41 department, that comply with the constitution and laws of the United States  
42 and that do not compete with private enterprise.

43           8. Sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of personal property labeled  
44 with the "Arizona grown" trademark. Revenues received pursuant to this  
45 paragraph shall be credited to the commodity promotion fund established by  
46 section 3-109.02.

1           Sec. 2. Section 3-108, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
2           3-108. Administrative support fund; use; exemption

3           A. A department of agriculture administrative support fund is  
4 established. All monies collected pursuant to any interagency agreement with  
5 the department pursuant to section 3-588, subsection A ~~and section 3-1084,~~  
6 ~~subsection C~~ shall be deposited, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in  
7 the fund.

8           B. All monies collected pursuant to any interagency agreement with the  
9 department in accordance with section 3-468.03, subsection A and section  
10 3-526.03, subsection A shall be deposited in the administrative support fund  
11 or deposited in the citrus, fruit and vegetable trust fund established by  
12 section 3-447 pursuant to the terms of the interagency agreement. Deposits  
13 in the administrative support fund shall be made pursuant to sections 35-146  
14 and 35-147.

15           C. Monies in the fund are continuously appropriated and exempt from  
16 the provisions of section 35-190 relating to lapsing of appropriations.

17           Sec. 3. Section 3-204, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

18           3-204. Summary abatement of imminently dangerous nuisance;  
19                                   procedure; expense; lien; public sale; reimbursement  
20                                   costs and penalties to state for certain abatements;  
21                                   civil penalty

22           A. If, in the opinion of the director, the danger to the agricultural  
23 and horticultural industry of the state is imminent if the nuisance caused by  
24 a plant or thing is not speedily abated or suppressed, and if ~~he~~ **THE DIRECTOR**  
25 finds it is practical to summarily abate the nuisance, either by the  
26 destruction of the plant or thing or by the treatment thereof so as to  
27 destroy or eradicate the crop pest or disease without actually destroying the  
28 plant or thing, the director shall in writing direct the owner or person in  
29 charge of the nuisance, if ~~he~~ **THE OWNER OR PERSON** is found in the county,  
30 forthwith and at ~~his~~ **THE OWNER'S OR PERSON'S** expense to abate and suppress  
31 the nuisance in the manner provided in the written direction. If the owner  
32 or person in charge fails or neglects to comply with the direction for a  
33 period of five days after the date on which the direction was delivered to or  
34 served ~~upon him~~ **ON THE OWNER OR PERSON**, ~~then~~ the director shall summarily  
35 abate the nuisance in the manner specified in the written direction.

36           B. If the owner or person in charge or control of the nuisance is a  
37 nonresident of the state or cannot, after reasonable diligence by the  
38 director, be found within the county where the nuisance exists, the director  
39 shall publish the notice and the direction one time in a newspaper published  
40 in the county, and shall post a copy at, on or in the immediate vicinity of  
41 the nuisance, and after seven days from the first publication and posting,  
42 the director shall abate the nuisance in the manner specified in the  
43 direction.

44           C. If the nuisance is abated by the director, the expense shall be  
45 borne by the state, but, when the abatement does not involve the destruction  
46 of the plant or thing and it has some value after the crop pest or disease

1 has been eradicated, ~~then~~ the state shall have a first claim and lien thereon  
2 for the payment of expenses incurred in the abatement of the nuisance.

3 D. The director shall notify the owner or person in charge or control  
4 of the nuisance of the amount of the expenses, and that unless the amount is  
5 paid within ten days after the date of service of the notice ~~upon~~ ON the  
6 owner or person in charge, the plant or thing will be sold at public sale,  
7 and the proceeds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, applied to the  
8 payment of the expenses. The notice shall be personally served or posted as  
9 required in this section for notices to abate.

10 E. If the owner or person in charge of the plant or thing fails to pay  
11 the expenses within the time specified in the notice, the director shall give  
12 public notice of the time and place of sale with a description of the plant  
13 or thing to be sold, and the amount of expenses against it, which shall  
14 include costs of publication, posting and service of notice. The notice of  
15 sale shall be published and posted as provided in this section for the  
16 publication and posting of direction to suppress the nuisance.

17 F. The owner or person in charge of a plant or thing constituting the  
18 nuisance may waive in writing the service of all directions and notices in  
19 connection with the abatement or sale thereof.

20 G. If the director is required to abate the nuisance of ~~cotton or~~  
21 ~~cotton stubble which is not destroyed before a date established by the~~  
22 ~~director or is required to abate the nuisance of cotton planted before a date~~  
23 ~~established by the director, unless the director waives such dates due to~~  
24 ~~variations in weather conditions,~~ STUB, SOCA OR VOLUNTEER COTTON following  
25 the refusal by the owner or person in charge or control of the nuisance to do  
26 so, the owner or person in charge or control of the nuisance shall reimburse  
27 the department for the actual costs of the state's abatement of the nuisance.  
28 An injunction shall not be granted to stay this state from abating the  
29 nuisance. ~~To collect the costs of reimbursement, the director may either~~  
30 ~~request reimbursement from the cotton research and protection council under~~  
31 ~~programs of the council to abate cotton fields or from the owner or person in~~  
32 ~~charge.~~ THE DIRECTOR MAY REQUEST THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION COUNCIL  
33 TO PROVIDE MONIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-1085, SUBSECTION B TO HELP DEFRAY THE  
34 DEPARTMENT'S COST OF ABATEMENT UNTIL THE OWNER OR PERSON IN CHARGE REIMBURSES  
35 THE DEPARTMENT FOR THOSE COSTS. If the actual costs of abatement are not  
36 paid within ten days after the owner or person in charge receives notice of  
37 the amount of the costs, the director may impose a CIVIL penalty of fifty per  
38 cent of the costs of abatement. ~~and may prepare and file or record in the~~  
39 ~~office of the county recorder of the county where the land is situated a~~  
40 ~~notice of lien, setting forth the amount of the unpaid costs, the amount of~~  
41 ~~the penalty and the name of the owner or person in charge. Upon such~~  
42 ~~recording, the amount required to be reimbursed becomes a lien on the land~~  
43 ~~subordinate only to any lien for state and local taxes. The director may~~  
44 ~~issue a notice of abatement penalty to be applied to any rebate authorized~~  
45 ~~pursuant to section 3-1083, subsection B, paragraph 4 and section 3-1087,~~  
46 ~~subsection B. All penalties collected under this section shall be deposited~~

1 ~~in the cotton research and protection council fund established by section~~  
2 ~~3-1085.~~ AT THE DIRECTOR'S REQUEST, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL FILE AN ACTION  
3 IN SUPERIOR COURT TO RECOVER CIVIL PENALTIES ASSESSED PURSUANT TO THIS  
4 SUBSECTION. ALL CIVIL PENALTIES COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE  
5 DEPOSITED, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 35-146 AND 35-147, IN THE DANGEROUS PLANTS,  
6 PESTS AND DISEASES TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 3-214.01.

7 Sec. 4. Title 3, chapter 2, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended by adding section 3-204.01, to read:

9 3-204.01. Council plow-up request; civil penalty

10 A. AT THE REQUEST OF THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION COUNCIL, THE  
11 DIRECTOR, ACTING AS AN AGENT OF THE COUNCIL, SHALL PLOW UP COTTON FIELDS THAT  
12 ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3-1086, SUBSECTION D. AN INJUNCTION SHALL  
13 NOT BE GRANTED TO STAY THIS STATE FROM PLOWING UP THE FIELDS. THE DIRECTOR  
14 MAY REQUEST THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION COUNCIL TO PROVIDE MONIES  
15 PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-1085, SUBSECTION B TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF THE PLOW  
16 UP UNTIL THE OWNER OR PERSON IN CHARGE REIMBURSES THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE  
17 ACTUAL COSTS OF THE PLOW UP.

18 B. IF THE ACTUAL COSTS OF THE PLOW UP ARE NOT PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS  
19 AFTER THE OWNER OR PERSON IN CHARGE RECEIVES NOTICE OF THE AMOUNT OF THE  
20 COSTS, THE DEPARTMENT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY PER  
21 CENT OF THE COSTS OF THE PLOW UP. AT THE DIRECTOR'S REQUEST, THE ATTORNEY  
22 GENERAL SHALL FILE AN ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT TO RECOVER CIVIL PENALTIES  
23 ASSESSED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION.

24 C. A PRODUCER MAY APPEAL TO THE COUNCIL THE ORDER OF THE COUNCIL FOR  
25 THE PLOW UP OF NONCOMPLIANT COTTON FIELDS BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO TITLE  
26 41, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 10.

27 D. ALL COSTS AND CIVIL PENALTIES COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE  
28 DEPOSITED, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 35-146 AND 35-147, IN THE DANGEROUS PLANTS,  
29 PESTS AND DISEASES TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 3-214.01.

30 Sec. 5. Section 3-205, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

31 3-205. Abatement of nuisance not imminently dangerous;  
32 procedure; lien; foreclosure; release of lien;  
33 reimbursement costs and penalties to state for certain  
34 abatements; civil penalty

35 A. If the director believes the danger to the agricultural and  
36 horticultural industry is not imminent, or if impractical for any reason to  
37 summarily abate the nuisance, as described in sections 3-203, 3-204, 3-206  
38 and 3-207, the ~~direction~~ DIRECTOR shall not require summary destruction or  
39 eradication, but shall set forth the measures required to be taken by the  
40 owner or person in charge to control, suppress or eradicate the danger, and  
41 shall require the person, at ~~his~~ THE PERSON'S expense, to take and comply  
42 with the measures specified in the direction and subsequent directions.

43 B. The directions shall be made, given and served as prescribed for  
44 summary abatement, and if they are not complied with, the director may  
45 proceed as provided by the directions, and the expense shall be charged  
46 against the state.

1 C. If the plant or thing constituting the nuisance consists only of  
2 personalty, ~~and is not attached to land or contained in a building,~~  
3 enclosure, vehicle or place belonging to the person, the state shall have the  
4 same lien and it is enforceable in the same manner as provided for summary  
5 abatement of the nuisance under section 3-204.

6 D. If the plant or thing is attached to land, ~~or contained in a~~  
7 building, enclosure or vehicle ~~which~~ THAT is the property of the person, ~~then~~  
8 the lien shall also attach to the land, building, enclosure or vehicle, and  
9 the director shall prepare and file in the office of the county recorder  
10 where the property is situated a notice of the lien, setting forth the amount  
11 and the name of the owner or person in charge, and stating that the amount of  
12 the lien shall be paid within thirty days from filing the notice, or  
13 otherwise the property will be subjected to payment thereof.

14 E. The lien shall be prior to all other liens against the property  
15 except liens for state and county taxes. If the amount of the lien is not  
16 paid within the thirty days, the county attorney ~~shall~~, on written request of  
17 the director, SHALL foreclose the lien against the property impressed  
18 therewith as other liens are foreclosed.

19 F. ~~Upon~~ ON satisfaction of the lien, the director shall issue a  
20 release of the lien to the person against whom the lien was claimed. Such  
21 release shall be a document in a form as specified in section 11-480.

22 G. If the director is required to abate the nuisance of ~~cotton or~~  
23 ~~cotton stubble which is not destroyed before a date established by the~~  
24 ~~director or is required to abate the nuisance of cotton planted before a date~~  
25 ~~established by the director, unless the director waives such dates due to~~  
26 ~~variations in weather conditions,~~ STUB, SOCA OR VOLUNTEER COTTON following  
27 the refusal by the owner or person in charge or control of the nuisance to do  
28 so, the owner or person in charge or control of the nuisance shall reimburse  
29 the department for the actual costs of the state's abatement of the nuisance.  
30 ~~In addition, a penalty of fifty per cent of the costs of the state's~~  
31 ~~abatement of the nuisance shall be imposed. All penalties shall be deposited~~  
32 ~~in the cotton research and protection council fund established by section~~  
33 ~~3-1085.~~ An injunction shall not be granted to stay this state from abating  
34 the nuisance. ~~To collect the costs of reimbursement, the director may either~~  
35 ~~request reimbursement from the cotton research and protection council under~~  
36 ~~programs of the council to abate cotton fields or from the owner or person in~~  
37 ~~charge.~~ THE DIRECTOR MAY REQUEST THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION COUNCIL  
38 TO PROVIDE MONIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-1085, SUBSECTION B TO HELP DEFRAY THE  
39 DEPARTMENT'S COST OF ABATEMENT UNTIL THE OWNER OR PERSON IN CHARGE REIMBURSES  
40 THE DEPARTMENT FOR THOSE COSTS. If the actual costs of abatement are not  
41 paid within ten days after the owner or person in charge receives notice of  
42 the amount of the costs, ~~the department may charge~~ THE DIRECTOR MAY IMPOSE A  
43 CIVIL PENALTY OF one hundred fifty per cent of the costs OF ABATEMENT. ~~and~~  
44 ~~may prepare and file or record in the office of the county recorder of the~~  
45 ~~county where the land is situated a notice of lien, setting forth the amount~~  
46 ~~of the unpaid costs and the name of the owner or person in charge, and upon~~

1 ~~such recording, the amount required to be reimbursed becomes a lien on the~~  
2 ~~land subordinate only to any lien for state and local taxes. The director~~  
3 ~~may issue a notice of abatement penalty to be applied to any rebate~~  
4 ~~authorized pursuant to section 3-1083, subsection B, paragraph 4 and section~~  
5 ~~3-1087, subsection B.~~ AT THE DIRECTOR'S REQUEST, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL  
6 FILE AN ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT TO RECOVER CIVIL PENALTIES ASSESSED PURSUANT  
7 TO THIS SUBSECTION. ALL CIVIL PENALTIES COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION  
8 SHALL BE DEPOSITED, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 35-146 AND 35-147, IN THE DANGEROUS  
9 PLANTS, PESTS AND DISEASES TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 3-214.01.

10 Sec. 6. Section 3-206, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

11 3-206. Destruction of noninfected crops on abatement of  
12 nuisance; procedure; hearing; evidence

13 A. If the plants constituting the nuisance consist of growing crops,  
14 trees, orchards, vines or shrubbery, and the infestation or infection is by a  
15 plant pest or disease of such a nature, or if the location of the plants with  
16 respect to other plants not infested or infected is a part of the same crop,  
17 or is growing immediately adjacent to the infested or infected plants, and  
18 the director believes it is impractical to abate the nuisance, and to  
19 suppress, eradicate or control the crop pest or disease without destroying  
20 the whole of the crop, trees, orchard, vines or shrubbery of which the  
21 infested or infected plants are a part, or without serious injury to  
22 uninfested or uninfested plants, ~~then~~ the director may adopt proper measures  
23 to control, eradicate and suppress the crop pest or disease, although it  
24 causes a destruction of the crops, trees, orchards, vines and shrubbery, ~~or~~  
25 an injury to uninfested or uninfested plants ~~which~~ THAT are a part of the  
26 crops, trees, orchards, vines or shrubbery.

27 B. Before proceeding with abatement of the nuisance or suppressing,  
28 eradicating or controlling the crop pest or disease, the director shall serve  
29 written notice ~~upon~~ ON the owner or person in charge of the premises on which  
30 the nuisance is located, specifying the infestation or infection and  
31 directing the person to appear at a hearing to be held at a time and place  
32 within the county where the nuisance exists, and show cause why the crop,  
33 trees, orchard, vines or shrubbery should not be destroyed in whole or in  
34 part.

35 C. The notice shall be personally served on the person, if ~~he~~ THE  
36 PERSON is found within the county where the nuisance exists, at least five  
37 days ~~prior to~~ BEFORE the hearing. If the person is a nonresident or cannot  
38 be found in the county, ~~then~~ the notice shall be published in a newspaper  
39 published in the county for at least seven days ~~prior to~~ BEFORE the hearing,  
40 and in addition, a copy thereof shall be posted in a conspicuous place on or  
41 at the premises involved for a like period.

42 D. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and be heard, either  
43 in person or by attorney. The hearing officer shall preserve a record of all  
44 evidence introduced, and at the conclusion of the hearing shall enter an  
45 order conforming to ~~his~~ THE HEARING OFFICER'S findings.



1 ~~E. Any crop or portion thereof which is destroyed pursuant to this~~  
2 ~~section shall be paid for from the general fund. The payments shall equal~~  
3 ~~sixty per cent of its value at the time of destruction. If the damages are~~  
4 ~~disputed the director may settle the dispute by arbitration.~~

5 Sec. 7. Section 3-214.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
6 read:

7 3-214.01. Dangerous plants, pests and diseases trust fund

8 A. A dangerous plants, pests and diseases trust fund is established  
9 for the exclusive purpose of implementing, continuing and supporting the  
10 agricultural program established by this article. All monies collected under  
11 ~~the provisions of~~ this article except civil penalties assessed pursuant to  
12 section ~~3-204, 3-205,~~ 3-205.02 or 3-215.01 shall be deposited in the  
13 dangerous plants, pests and diseases trust fund.

14 B. The director shall administer the trust fund as trustee. The state  
15 treasurer shall accept, separately account for and hold in trust any monies  
16 deposited in the state treasury, which are considered to be trust monies as  
17 defined in section 35-310 and which shall not be commingled with any other  
18 monies in the state treasury except for investment purposes. On notice from  
19 the director, the state treasurer shall invest and divest any trust fund  
20 monies deposited in the state treasury as provided by sections 35-313 and  
21 35-314.03, and monies earned from investment shall be credited to the trust  
22 fund.

23 C. The beneficiary of the trust is the agricultural program  
24 established by this article. All monies in the dangerous plants, pests and  
25 diseases trust fund are to be used by the department exclusively to carry out  
26 ~~the provisions of~~ this article, including salaries, fees and office,  
27 administrative, bonding and travel expenses incurred.

28 D. The unexpended and unencumbered balance of monies, if any,  
29 remaining in the dangerous plants, pests and diseases trust fund at the end  
30 of each fiscal year shall not revert to the state general fund.

31 Sec. 8. Section 3-1082, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

32 3-1082. Cotton research and protection council; membership;  
33 terms; vacancy; compensation

34 A. The cotton research and protection council is established and is  
35 composed of nine active cotton producers to be appointed by the governor.  
36 The members shall be appointed as follows:

- 37 1. Two each who are residents of:
  - 38 (a) Maricopa county.
  - 39 (b) Pinal county.
  - 40 (c) The Yuma, La Paz and Mohave counties area.
- 41 2. One each who is a resident of:
  - 42 (a) Pima county.
  - 43 (b) Cochise county.
  - 44 (c) The Graham and Greenlee counties area.

45 B. The governor may consult with any recognized cotton producer  
46 organizations in this state in determining appointments to the council.

1 C. The term of office of council members is three years and expires on  
2 December 31 of the appropriate year, but a member may continue to serve until  
3 ~~his~~ A successor is appointed and assumes office. A member is eligible for a  
4 second consecutive three-year term. A member who completes a second  
5 consecutive three-year term is ineligible for reappointment for at least one  
6 year. On the expiration of a term of a member or in the event of a vacancy,  
7 a successor shall be appointed by the governor.

8 D. IF THE OFFICE OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER BECOMES VACANT, THE COUNCIL  
9 SHALL NOTIFY THE GOVERNOR AND THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A PERSON TO FILL THE  
10 REMAINDER OF THE TERM. The office of any member shall be deemed vacant ~~and~~  
11 ~~the governor shall appoint a person to fill the remainder of the term~~ under  
12 any of the following circumstances:

- 13 1. The member is no longer an active cotton producer.
- 14 2. The member is unable to perform ~~his~~ THE duties OF OFFICE.
- 15 3. ~~The absence of~~ The member HAS BEEN ABSENT from three consecutive  
16 council meetings if the absences have not been excused by the council.
- 17 4. The member has ceased to reside in the county or county area that  
18 the member was appointed to represent.

19 E. Members of the council are not eligible to receive compensation but  
20 are eligible for reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 4,  
21 article 2.

22 Sec. 9. Section 3-1083, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
23 3-1083. Council powers and duties

24 A. The council shall:

- 25 1. Receive and disburse monies to be used in administering ~~the~~  
26 ~~provisions of~~ this article.
- 27 2. Meet at least once each calendar quarter and more frequently on the  
28 call of the chairman or by five members of the council.
- 29 3. Annually elect a chairman from among its members.
- 30 4. Elect a secretary and treasurer from among its members.
- 31 5. Establish an executive committee consisting of the chairman,  
32 secretary and treasurer. AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER MAY NOT SERVE IN THE  
33 SAME EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS. The executive committee  
34 shall act in accordance with the direction received from the council or, if  
35 necessary, the executive committee shall act and bring the matter before the  
36 full council at the next regular meeting of the council for review and  
37 ratification.
- 38 6. Provide for a triennial audit of its accounts by a qualified public  
39 accounting firm and additional audits as the council may require and make an  
40 annual financial statement available to any producer and the auditor general  
41 on request.
- 42 7. Keep and maintain a permanent record of its proceedings and make  
43 these records available for public inspection for any lawful purpose.
- 44 8. Prepare an annual report of its activities, receipts and  
45 expenditures. The report shall be submitted to the governor, other state  
46 officers as the council determines and other persons in the cotton industry

1 in this state as may be appropriate. Copies of the annual report shall be  
2 available to any interested cotton producer and the general public on  
3 request.

4 9. Organize and administer any referendum called FOR under subsection  
5 C, paragraph ~~6- 9~~ of this section.

6 ~~10. Reimburse the department for costs incurred in the abatement of  
7 cotton fields under section 3-204, subsection G and section 3-205, subsection  
8 G from monies authorized for abatement of cotton fields pursuant to section  
9 3-1087, subsection B, if monies are available.~~

10 B. The council may authorize or contract for any of the following  
11 programs:

12 1. Those research programs that are related to cotton production or  
13 its protection, including cotton seed breeding or other research programs to  
14 develop germplasm.

15 ~~2. The execution of nuisance abatements related to cotton protection  
16 as provided for under sections 3-204 and 3-205.~~

17 ~~3-~~ 2. Programs of aflatoxin control and cotton pest eradication.

18 ~~4-~~ 3. A program to refund REBATE A PORTION OF collected fees to  
19 cotton producers to provide an incentive to abate PLOW UP cotton fields ~~to be  
20 administered in cooperation with the department~~ IN A TIMELY MANNER.

21 ~~5-~~ 4. Any other programs that the council deems to be appropriate for  
22 furthering the purposes of this article.

23 C. The council may:

24 1. Adopt rules necessary to promptly and effectively administer ~~the  
25 provisions of~~ this article.

26 2. Award grants of monies, property, services or other assistance to  
27 public or private recipients for the express purpose of furthering the  
28 objectives of this article, including research programs related to cotton  
29 protection and production authorized by the council.

30 3. Accept grants and donations of monies, property, services or other  
31 assistance from public or private sources for the express purpose of  
32 furthering the objectives of this article.

33 4. Investigate and prosecute in the name of this state any action or  
34 suit to enforce the collection or ensure payment of the fees authorized and  
35 to sue and be sued in the name of the council.

36 5. Buy and sell seed and other products used in the council's  
37 aflatoxin control program, extend credit in connection with the sale and  
38 distribution of treated seed and other products, collect and enforce debts or  
39 obligations with respect to extended credit and take a security interest in  
40 collateral of all kinds, including real and personal property to secure the  
41 credit.

42 6. Cooperate with any local, state and national organizations or  
43 agencies engaged in activities similar to or related to those of the council  
44 and enter into contracts with these organizations or agencies for carrying on  
45 joint programs.

1           7. Acquire and protect patents, licenses or certificates of protection  
2 for plant varieties resulting from seed breeding or other programs authorized  
3 by the council and grant licenses to use intellectual property rights held by  
4 the council.

5           8. Act jointly and in cooperation with this state or any other state  
6 or the federal government in the administration of any program deemed by the  
7 council as beneficial to the cotton industry of this state.

8           9. Refer to the cotton producers in this state for an advisory vote  
9 the question of establishing, continuing or discontinuing any program  
10 authorized by this article.

11           10. Expend monies for public relations programs that are organized to  
12 promote the cotton industry or agriculture in this state.

13           11. Purchase **AND SELL** motor vehicles for the administration of its own  
14 motor vehicle fleet and provide for its operation and maintenance.

15           12. **PROVIDE MONIES TO THE DEPARTMENT AS NECESSARY FOR THE ABATEMENT OF**  
16 **A COTTON NUISANCE UNDER SECTION 3-204, SUBSECTION G OR SECTION 3-205,**  
17 **SUBSECTION G OR FOR THE PLOW UP OF COTTON FIELDS PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-204.01**  
18 **TO BE LOANED BY AND REPAID TO THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-1085,**  
19 **SUBSECTION B.**

20           ~~D. No member may serve in the same executive office of the council for~~  
21 ~~more than three consecutive years.~~

22           Sec. 10. Section 3-1084, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

23           3-1084. Council staff; administrative services; reimbursement

24           A. The council may employ staff, **INCLUDING A STAFF DIRECTOR**, at a rate  
25 of compensation determined by the council, to serve at the pleasure of the  
26 council and shall prescribe the terms and conditions of employment of  
27 employees as necessary to perform the functions prescribed by this article.

28           B. All employees of the council are exempt from title 38, chapter 4,  
29 article 1 and title 41, chapter 4, articles 5 and 6 and are not under the  
30 jurisdiction of the department of administration.

31           C. The council may ~~also~~ enter into ~~an~~ interagency ~~agreement~~ **AGREEMENTS**  
32 with the department to provide necessary administrative services to the  
33 council, including:—

34           ~~1. Providing~~ secretarial and other services necessary for the council  
35 to carry out its activities.

36           ~~2. Establishing separate operating accounts for the council.~~

37           ~~3. Providing necessary financial and accounting services to the~~  
38 ~~council, including the issuance of checks, payment of bills approved by the~~  
39 ~~council, annual audits, expenditure and receipt reports whether monthly or~~  
40 ~~annually, preparation of an annual budget and any other activities requested~~  
41 ~~by the council.~~

42           ~~4. Receiving mail and other communications for the council.~~

43           ~~5. Receiving monies authorized under this article for deposit,~~  
44 ~~pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the appropriate funds.~~

45           ~~6. Accepting donated monies on behalf of the council to be credited to~~  
46 ~~the account of the council.~~

1 ~~7. Providing space for the meetings of the council.~~

2 ~~8. Providing any other administrative services which the council~~  
3 ~~requests or finds necessary.~~

4 ~~D. If the department performs any function under this article, it acts~~  
5 ~~as the agent of the council and has no authority or control over the council~~  
6 ~~or the council's employees or assets. The council shall reimburse the~~  
7 ~~department for any administrative services the department provides from the~~  
8 ~~monies received under this article in an amount agreed on by the council and~~  
9 ~~director. Monies received by the department shall be deposited, pursuant to~~  
10 ~~sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the administrative support fund established by~~  
11 ~~section 3-108.~~

12 Sec. 11. Section 3-1085, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
13 3-1085. Cotton research and protection council fund; use by  
14 director

15 A. The cotton research and protection council fund is established for  
16 the purpose of administering this article. The council shall administer the  
17 fund. The fund consists of penalties, ~~collected pursuant to sections 3-204~~  
18 ~~and 3-205~~, fees and other income collected pursuant to this article.

19 B. The director may request the use of fund monies for the **NUISANCE**  
20 abatement of upland cotton fields ~~and for those purposes AS~~ provided for  
21 under the abatement provisions of sections 3-204, **SUBSECTION G** and 3-205,  
22 **SUBSECTION G AND THE PLOW UP OF COTTON FIELDS UNDER SECTION 3-204.01**. Monies  
23 distributed pursuant to this subsection shall be repaid to the fund within  
24 one calendar year after their disbursement, but the council may extend the  
25 repayment period at its discretion and set the terms and conditions for  
26 repayment. **THE COUNCIL MAY WAIVE REPAYMENT OF FUND MONIES BY THE DEPARTMENT.**

27 C. The council may deposit monies from fees assessed pursuant to  
28 section 3-1086 in the fund. ~~The council shall deposit monies from penalties~~  
29 ~~collected pursuant to section 3-204 in the fund.~~

30 D. The monies in the fund may be invested pursuant to section 35-313.  
31 Interest earned on these monies shall be credited to the fund.

32 Sec. 12. Section 3-1086, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
33 3-1086. Fees; collection; plow-up enforcement; budget; civil  
34 penalty

35 A. The council, on or before July 1 of each calendar year, shall  
36 assess a fee of not to exceed one dollar per bale of cotton produced in this  
37 state on land above twenty-seven hundred feet in elevation and not to exceed  
38 five dollars per bale of cotton produced in this state on land twenty-seven  
39 hundred feet in elevation or below. If the council finds that a program ~~of~~  
40 ~~pink bollworm eradication~~ **TO CONTROL COTTON PESTS OR DISEASES** is necessary on  
41 land above twenty-seven hundred feet in elevation, the council may raise the  
42 fee not to exceed ~~five~~ **THREE** dollars per bale of cotton ~~for the duration of~~  
43 ~~the eradication program or for four years after establishing the eradication~~  
44 ~~program, whichever period expires first, after which the fee reverts to not~~  
45 ~~more than one dollar per bale of cotton~~ **SUBJECT TO THE COUNCIL ADOPTING AN**  
46 **ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE PROGRAM.**

1 B. Cotton gins shall collect and remit the fee to the council  
2 according to procedures and on forms the council prescribes. A gin shall  
3 remit at least one-half of the annual fee as established by the council and  
4 not designated as a ~~refund~~ REBATE for the ~~abatement~~ PLOW UP of cotton fields  
5 as provided in section 3-1087, subsection B on or before February 15 of each  
6 year with a report of actual bales ginned through January 31 of each year and  
7 an estimate of bales to be ginned by March 15. The remainder of the fee is  
8 due on or before March 15 of each year. The portion of the fee that is  
9 designated as a ~~refund~~ REBATE for the ~~abatement~~ PLOW UP of cotton fields may  
10 be held by the gin, subject to certification by the ~~Arizona department of~~  
11 ~~agriculture~~ COUNCIL that a producer has complied with the ~~abatement~~ PLOW-UP  
12 program. ~~Upon~~ ON notification of certification to the gin, the fee  
13 designated for the ~~abatement~~ PLOW-UP program as a ~~refund~~ REBATE shall be  
14 credited to the producer's account of the gin responsible for the remittance  
15 of the fee. ~~If a producer fails to comply with the program to abate cotton~~  
16 ~~fields according to plow-up rules adopted under chapter 2, article 1 of this~~  
17 ~~title, the fee designated as a refund shall be remitted, in full, to the~~  
18 ~~council. The gin shall inform the council, on forms prescribed by the~~  
19 ~~council, of the names of persons or farms for which the gin is withholding~~  
20 ~~the fee designated as a refund under section 3-1087, subsection B at the time~~  
21 ~~the fee is collected.~~

22 C. THE COUNCIL MAY GRANT EXTENSIONS FOR THE PLOW UP OF COTTON FIELDS  
23 FOR WEATHER-RELATED REASONS ONLY. THE COUNCIL SHALL ESTABLISH, BY RULE,  
24 CRITERIA AND A PROCESS FOR GRANTING EXTENSIONS.

25 D. IF A PRODUCER FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENT TO PLOW UP  
26 COTTON FIELDS ON ESTABLISHED DATES AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 3-1087, SUBSECTION  
27 B AND RULES ADOPTED UNDER CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1 OF THIS TITLE, THE PRODUCER  
28 FORFEITS THE FEE DESIGNATED AS A REBATE UNDER SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION  
29 AND SECTION 3-1087, SUBSECTION B AND IS ALSO ASSESSED A CIVIL PENALTY OF ONE  
30 HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR EACH ACRE NOT IN COMPLIANCE AS CERTIFIED BY THE COUNCIL.  
31 THE REBATE MUST BE REMITTED IN FULL TO THE COUNCIL BY THE GIN RESPONSIBLE FOR  
32 THE REMITTANCE OF THE REBATE. THE COUNCIL SHALL NOTIFY THE OWNER OR PERSON  
33 IN CHARGE OF THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY AND THE REQUIREMENT THAT IT MUST  
34 BE PAID TO THE COUNCIL WITHIN THREE MONTHS. AT THE COUNCIL'S REQUEST, THE  
35 ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL FILE AN ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT TO RECOVER CIVIL  
36 PENALTIES ASSESSED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION. ALL MONIES COLLECTED UNDER  
37 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE DEPOSITED, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 35-146 AND 35-147,  
38 IN THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION COUNCIL FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION  
39 3-1085. THE COUNCIL MAY ADOPT RULES TO IMPLEMENT THIS SUBSECTION. A  
40 PRODUCER MAY APPEAL TO THE COUNCIL THE FORFEITED REBATE OR THE ASSESSED  
41 PENALTY APPLICABLE TO THE NONCOMPLIANT ACRES PURSUANT TO TITLE 41, CHAPTER 6,  
42 ARTICLE 10. THE COUNCIL MAY REQUEST, UNDER SECTION 3-204.01, THAT THE  
43 DEPARTMENT PLOW UP COTTON FIELDS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 3-1087,  
44 SUBSECTION B AND THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1 OF THIS TITLE.

45 ~~E.~~ E. A cotton producer is responsible for payment of the fee unless  
46 the fee is withheld for payment to the council by a gin.

1 ~~D.~~ F. Before establishing the annual fee the council shall establish  
2 a budget. The budget is effective on approval of the council.

3 ~~E.~~ G. Title 41, chapter 6 does not apply to setting the fee under  
4 this section, but the council shall provide sixty days' advance notice of the  
5 meeting at which the fee will be adopted and the amount of the proposed fee.  
6 The council shall receive public testimony at the meeting regarding the fee.

7 Sec. 13. Section 3-1086.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
8 read:

9 3-1086.02. Pink bollworm eradication program; fee;  
10 registration; civil penalties

11 A. The council may organize and implement a pink bollworm eradication  
12 program. The council shall conduct a referendum among eligible cotton  
13 producers, as determined by the council, with the assistance of the  
14 department and appropriate federal agencies, on the question of establishing  
15 a program and fee. The ballot for the referendum shall present the question,  
16 "Shall a pink bollworm eradication program and fee of not more than  
17 thirty-two dollars per planted acre of cotton be established in this state?"  
18 with spaces in which the voter can indicate a vote for or against the  
19 proposal. The program may not be established unless either:

20 1. At least sixty-six per cent of those voting approve of the program.

21 2. Those voting to approve the program represent more than fifty per  
22 cent of the cotton acreage in this state, as determined by the council.

23 B. If approved, the council may choose to either implement a statewide  
24 eradication program or establish regional areas in this state for  
25 implementation of an eradication program.

26 C. The authority to assess and collect the pink bollworm eradication  
27 program fee under this section terminates four years after the date  
28 establishing the pink bollworm eradication program statewide or four years  
29 after the date implementing a pink bollworm eradication program in a region.

30 D. After a pink bollworm eradication program has been established  
31 under this section:

32 1. The council may assess a fee on or before July 1 each year of not  
33 more than thirty-two dollars per planted acre of cotton to control the pink  
34 bollworm. Title 41, chapter 6 does not apply to setting the fee under this  
35 section, but the council shall provide thirty days' advance notice of the  
36 meeting at which the fee will be adopted and the proposed amount of the fee.  
37 The fee shall be based on a detailed expenditure plan for that year to  
38 control the pink bollworm in non-Bt fields. The council shall approve the  
39 expenditure plan before establishing the fee. The council shall provide a  
40 copy of the proposed annual expenditure plan to all producers who request a  
41 copy within ten days before the meeting at which the fee will be adopted.  
42 The council shall receive public testimony at the meeting regarding the fee.

43 2. The council shall waive the fee for each planted acre of Bt cotton.

44 3. Thirty days after the date established by rules adopted pursuant to  
45 chapter 2, article 1 of this title for abatement of the nuisance of cotton or  
46 cotton stubble, each producer shall register each acre of non-Bt cotton with

1 the council on forms prescribed by the council and shall pay the fee in full  
2 to the council within sixty days of registration, unless the producer's  
3 lender guarantees payment or other arrangements are made to the council's  
4 satisfaction or under terms established by the council. The council, at its  
5 discretion, may permit late registration.

6 4. A producer shall not plant non-Bt cotton after the dates  
7 established in rules adopted pursuant to ~~sections 3-204 and 3-205~~ CHAPTER 2,  
8 ARTICLE 1 OF THIS TITLE without written permission of the council.

9 5. The council may impose a civil penalty against a producer of not  
10 more than two hundred dollars per acre for each planted acre of non-Bt cotton  
11 for failure to register or failure to pay the fee when due under this  
12 section.

13 6. The council shall rebate, under terms established by the council,  
14 any collected fees that are not spent for protection from pink bollworm in  
15 non-Bt cotton fields statewide or in a region in which the fees were  
16 collected.

17 Sec. 14. Section 3-1087, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
18 3-1087. Deposit of fees; rebates; use of monies on termination

19 A. Monies collected pursuant to sections 3-1086, 3-1086.01 and  
20 3-1086.02 shall be deposited and held in trust in the council's accounts,  
21 ~~which are administered by the department as the council's agent,~~ and  
22 disbursed as approved by the council for the purposes prescribed in this  
23 article.

24 B. The council may use monies collected under section 3-1086 as a  
25 ~~refund~~ REBATE to cotton producers to facilitate a program to provide  
26 incentives for the ~~abatement of cotton fields~~ TIMELY PLOW UP OF COTTON FIELDS  
27 ACCORDING TO THE DATES ESTABLISHED BY RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 2,  
28 ARTICLE 1 OF THIS TITLE TO MAINTAIN A HOST-FREE PERIOD. The council ~~may~~  
29 SHALL issue a ~~refund~~ REBATE only on certification by the ~~Arizona department~~  
30 ~~of agriculture~~ COUNCIL that the cotton field has been ~~abated according to~~  
31 ~~plow up rules adopted under chapter 2, article 1 of this title~~ PLOWED UP.  
32 With the approval of the cotton producer, ~~a refund~~ THE REBATE may be assigned  
33 to a lending institution. ~~A portion of the refund may be withheld as a~~  
34 ~~penalty for noncompliance with plow up rules. The council in cooperation~~  
35 ~~with the department shall annually agree on criteria specifying how the~~  
36 ~~amount of penalty shall be determined. A producer may appeal the withheld~~  
37 ~~portion of the refund as a penalty pursuant to section 3-107.~~

38 C. If the council is terminated, any monies in the council's accounts  
39 shall be expended to meet existing legal obligations of the council. The  
40 council shall expend any remaining monies on any program consistent with this  
41 article.

42 D. The monies in the account may be invested pursuant to section  
43 35-313. Interest earned on these monies shall be credited to the account.

44 Sec. 15. Section 41-712, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
45 41-712. Telecommunications program office; state contractor;

46 cost of operation; employees; report; exception



1           A. The director shall establish a telecommunications program office  
2 within the department to enter into a primary contract with a corporation  
3 authorized to do business in this state for the contractor to provide for the  
4 installation and maintenance of telecommunication systems and to act as the  
5 state's agent for telecommunication carrier services to the offices,  
6 departments and agencies of this state. Each office, department and agency  
7 of this state shall contract with the primary contractor through the  
8 telecommunications program office and make payment to the primary contractor  
9 for its telecommunications needs.

10           B. With the approval of the director, the telecommunications program  
11 office may enter into more than one contract for each statewide  
12 telecommunications product or service not provided by the primary contractor.

13           C. The director shall pay administrative costs of the  
14 telecommunications program office, and each office, department or other state  
15 agency shall pay from available monies the proportionate cost of  
16 administration of the office as determined by the director. In carrying out  
17 this subsection, the director shall only employ those contract managers,  
18 telephone operators, help desk personnel and forensic investigators required  
19 to oversee the primary contract and administer efficiently the  
20 telecommunications program office.

21           D. The department shall prepare and submit an annual consolidated  
22 telecommunications budget report to the joint legislative budget committee in  
23 connection with its annual budget request showing the previous fiscal year's  
24 actual payments and the next fiscal year's anticipated payments charged and  
25 received by the primary contractor from state offices, departments and  
26 agencies for telecommunications services.

27           E. All procurement pursuant to this section shall be as prescribed in  
28 chapter 23 of this title unless otherwise provided by law.

29           F. Any contract involving the use of a state highway right-of-way is  
30 subject to approval pursuant to sections 28-304, 28-363, 28-7045, 28-7048 and  
31 28-7209.

32           G. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROTECTION  
33 COUNCIL ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 3-1082.

34           Sec. 16. Section 41-2501, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
35 read:

36           41-2501. Applicability

37           A. This chapter applies only to procurements initiated after January  
38 1, 1985 unless the parties agree to its application to procurements initiated  
39 before that date.

40           B. This chapter applies to every expenditure of public monies,  
41 including federal assistance monies except as otherwise specified in section  
42 41-2637, by this state, acting through a state governmental unit as defined  
43 in this chapter, under any contract, except that this chapter does not apply  
44 to either grants as defined in this chapter, or contracts between this state  
45 and its political subdivisions or other governments, except as provided in  
46 chapter 24 of this title and in article 10 of this chapter. This chapter

1 also applies to the disposal of state materials. This chapter and rules  
2 adopted under this chapter do not prevent any state governmental unit or  
3 political subdivision from complying with the terms of any grant, gift,  
4 bequest or cooperative agreement.

5 C. All political subdivisions and other local public agencies of this  
6 state may adopt all or any part of this chapter and the rules adopted  
7 pursuant to this chapter.

8 D. The Arizona board of regents and the legislative and judicial  
9 branches of state government are not subject to this chapter except as  
10 prescribed in subsection E of this section.

11 E. The Arizona board of regents and the judicial branch shall adopt  
12 rules prescribing procurement policies and procedures for themselves and  
13 institutions under their jurisdiction. The rules must be substantially  
14 equivalent to the policies and procedures prescribed in this chapter.

15 F. The Arizona state lottery commission is exempt from this chapter  
16 for procurement relating to the design and operation of the lottery or  
17 purchase of lottery equipment, tickets and related materials. The executive  
18 director of the Arizona state lottery commission shall adopt rules  
19 substantially equivalent to the policies and procedures in this chapter for  
20 procurement relating to the design and operation of the lottery or purchase  
21 of lottery equipment, tickets or related materials. All other procurement  
22 shall be as prescribed by this chapter.

23 G. The Arizona health care cost containment system administration is  
24 exempt from this chapter for provider contracts pursuant to section 36-2904,  
25 subsection A and contracts for goods and services, including program  
26 contractor contracts pursuant to title 36, chapter 29, articles 2 and 3. All  
27 other procurement, including contracts for the statewide administrator of the  
28 program pursuant to section 36-2903, subsection B, shall be as prescribed by  
29 this chapter.

30 H. Arizona industries for the blind is exempt from this chapter for  
31 purchases of finished goods from members of national industries for the blind  
32 and for purchases of raw materials for use in the manufacture of products for  
33 sale pursuant to section 41-1972. All other procurement shall be as  
34 prescribed by this chapter.

35 I. Arizona correctional industries is exempt from this chapter for  
36 purchases of raw materials, components and supplies that are used in the  
37 manufacture or production of goods or services for sale entered into pursuant  
38 to section 41-1622. All other procurement shall be as prescribed by this  
39 chapter.

40 J. The state transportation board and the director of the department  
41 of transportation are exempt from this chapter other than section 41-2586 for  
42 the procurement of construction or reconstruction, including engineering  
43 services, of transportation facilities or highway facilities and any other  
44 services that are directly related to land titles, appraisals, real property  
45 acquisition, relocation, property management or building facility design and

1 construction for highway development and that are required pursuant to title  
2 28, chapter 20.

3 K. The Arizona highways magazine is exempt from this chapter for  
4 contracts for the production, promotion, distribution and sale of the  
5 magazine and related products and for contracts for sole source creative  
6 works entered into pursuant to section 28-7314, subsection A, paragraph 5.  
7 All other procurement shall be as prescribed by this chapter.

8 L. The secretary of state is exempt from this chapter for contracts  
9 entered into pursuant to section 41-1012 to publish and sell the  
10 administrative code. All other procurement shall be as prescribed by this  
11 chapter.

12 M. This chapter is not applicable to contracts for professional  
13 witnesses if the purpose of such contracts is to provide for professional  
14 services or testimony relating to an existing or probable judicial proceeding  
15 in which this state is or may become a party or to contract for special  
16 investigative services for law enforcement purposes.

17 N. The head of any state governmental unit, in relation to any  
18 contract exempted by this section from this chapter, has the same authority  
19 to adopt rules, procedures or policies as is delegated to the director  
20 pursuant to this chapter.

21 O. Agreements negotiated by legal counsel representing this state in  
22 settlement of litigation or threatened litigation are exempt from this  
23 chapter.

24 P. This chapter is not applicable to contracts entered into by the  
25 department of economic security:

26 1. With a provider licensed or certified by an agency of this state to  
27 provide child day care services or with a provider of family foster care  
28 pursuant to section 8-503 or 36-554.

29 2. With area agencies on aging created pursuant to the older Americans  
30 act of 1965 (P.L. 89-73; 79 Stat. 218; 42 United States Code sections 3001  
31 through 3058ee).

32 3. For services pursuant to title 36, chapter 29, article 2.

33 4. With an eligible entity as defined by Public Law 105-285, section  
34 673(1)(a)(i), as amended, for designated community services block grant  
35 program monies and any other monies given to the eligible entity that  
36 accomplishes the purpose of Public Law 105-285, section 672.

37 Q. The department of health services may not require that persons with  
38 whom it contracts follow this chapter for the purposes of subcontracts  
39 entered into for the provision of the following:

40 1. Mental health services pursuant to section 36-189, subsection B.

41 2. Services for the seriously mentally ill pursuant to title 36,  
42 chapter 5, article 10.

43 3. Drug and alcohol services pursuant to section 36-141.

44 4. Domestic violence services pursuant to title 36, chapter 30,  
45 article 1.

1 R. The department of health services is exempt from this chapter for  
2 contracts for services of physicians at the Arizona state hospital.

3 S. Contracts for goods and services approved by the board of trustees  
4 of the public safety personnel retirement system are exempt from this  
5 chapter.

6 T. The Arizona department of agriculture is exempt from this chapter  
7 with respect to contracts for private labor and equipment to effect cotton or  
8 cotton stubble plow-up pursuant to rules adopted under title 3, chapter 2,  
9 article 1. ~~On or before September 1 of each year, the director of the  
10 Arizona department of agriculture shall establish and announce costs for each  
11 acre of cotton or cotton stubble to be abated by private contractors.~~

12 U. The Arizona state parks board is exempt from this chapter for  
13 purchases of guest supplies and items for resale such as food, linens, gift  
14 items, sundries, furniture, china, glassware and utensils for the facilities  
15 located in the Tonto natural bridge state park.

16 V. The Arizona state parks board is exempt from this chapter for the  
17 purchase, production, promotion, distribution and sale of publications,  
18 souvenirs and sundry items obtained and produced for resale.

19 W. The Arizona state schools for the deaf and the blind are exempt  
20 from this chapter when purchasing products through a cooperative that is  
21 organized and operates in accordance with state law if such products are not  
22 available on a statewide contract and are related to the operation of the  
23 schools or are products for which special discounts are offered for  
24 educational institutions.

25 X. Expenditures of monies in the morale, welfare and recreational fund  
26 established by section 26-153 are exempt from this chapter.

27 Y. Notwithstanding section 41-2534, the director of the state  
28 department of corrections may contract with local medical providers in  
29 counties with a population of less than four hundred thousand persons  
30 according to the most recent United States decennial census for the following  
31 purposes:

32 1. To acquire hospital and professional medical services for inmates  
33 who are incarcerated in state department of corrections facilities that are  
34 located in those counties.

35 2. To ensure the availability of emergency medical services to inmates  
36 in all counties by contracting with the closest medical facility that offers  
37 emergency treatment and stabilization.

38 Z. The department of environmental quality is exempt from this chapter  
39 for contracting for procurements relating to the water quality assurance  
40 revolving fund program established pursuant to title 49, chapter 2,  
41 article 5. The department shall engage in a source selection process that is  
42 similar to the procedures prescribed by this chapter. The department may  
43 contract for remedial actions with a single selection process. The exclusive  
44 remedy for disputes or claims relating to contracting pursuant to this  
45 subsection is as prescribed by article 9 of this chapter and the rules

1 adopted pursuant to that article. All other procurement by the department  
2 shall be as prescribed by this chapter.

3 AA. The motor vehicle division of the department of transportation is  
4 exempt from this chapter for third-party authorizations pursuant to title 28,  
5 chapter 13, only if all of the following conditions exist:

6 1. The division does not pay any public monies to an authorized third  
7 party.

8 2. Exclusivity is not granted to an authorized third party.

9 3. The director has complied with the requirements prescribed in title  
10 28, chapter 13 in selecting an authorized third party.

11 BB. This section does not exempt third-party authorizations pursuant  
12 to title 28, chapter 13 from any other applicable law.

13 CC. The state forester is exempt from this chapter for purchases and  
14 contracts relating to ~~wild-land~~ WILDLAND fire suppression and pre-positioning  
15 equipment resources and for other activities related to combating ~~wild-land~~  
16 WILDLAND fires and other unplanned risk activities, including fire, flood,  
17 earthquake, wind and hazardous material responses. All other procurement by  
18 the state forester shall be as prescribed by this chapter.

19 DD. The cotton research and protection council is exempt from this  
20 chapter for procurements ~~relating to its aflatoxin control program and for~~  
21 ~~contracts for research programs related to cotton production or protection.~~

22 EE. Expenditures of monies in the Arizona agricultural protection fund  
23 established by section 3-3304 are exempt from this chapter.

24 FF. The Arizona commerce authority is exempt from this chapter, except  
25 article 10 for the purpose of cooperative purchases. The authority shall  
26 adopt policies, procedures and practices, in consultation with the department  
27 of administration, that are similar to and based on the policies and  
28 procedures prescribed by this chapter for the purpose of increased public  
29 confidence, fair and equitable treatment of all persons engaged in the  
30 process and fostering broad competition while accomplishing flexibility to  
31 achieve the authority's statutory requirements. The authority shall make its  
32 policies, procedures and practices available to the public. The authority  
33 may exempt specific expenditures from the policies, procedures and practices.

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