

REFERENCE TITLE: railroad right-of-way acquisition

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HB 2570

Introduced by
Representative Biggs

AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN VEHICLE LICENSE TAX MONIES FOR RAILROAD
RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Vehicle license tax; railroad right-of-way;
3 acquisition

4 A. Notwithstanding section 28-5808, subsection A, Arizona Revised
5 Statutes, in fiscal year 2007-2008, the director of the department of
6 transportation shall deposit six hundred fifty thousand dollars in a special
7 account established by the department of administration for the purpose
8 prescribed in subsection C of this section.

9 B. The monies deposited pursuant to subsection A of this section shall
10 be from the portion of monies distributed pursuant to section 28-5808,
11 subsection A, Arizona Revised Statutes, that would be deposited in the state
12 highway fund. The deposit of these monies in the special account shall not
13 in any way impact distributions of vehicle license tax revenues to the state
14 general fund and to cities, towns or counties pursuant to section 28-5808,
15 Arizona Revised Statutes.

16 C. On the approval of the state transportation board, the department
17 of transportation shall use the monies from the special account to acquire a
18 railroad right-of-way deemed by the director to accommodate future freight or
19 passenger rail service and to be in the best interest of this state.

20 D. The department of transportation's acquisition of the railroad
21 right-of-way pursuant to subsection C of this section does not alter or
22 impact any existing agreements or permits that have been entered into or
23 obtained by utility companies located within the existing railroad
24 right-of-way.

25 E. The monies in the special account established pursuant to
26 subsection A of this section are exempt from the provisions of section
27 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations.