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ARIZONA STATE SENATE

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FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2129

<u>technical correction; health services; monitoring</u> (NOW: ADEQ; direct potable reuse; rules)

Purpose

Establishes, by December 31, 2024, a Direct Potable Reuse of Treated Wastewater Program (Program) and appropriates \$1,500,000 from the state General Fund (state GF) in FYs 2023 and 2024 to operate the Program's permitting process.

Background

The Water Quality Fee Fund (Fund) is administered by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Director (Director). Monies in the Fund must be used for the issuance of specified permits and certifications, administration of various programs and water quality monitoring. Any monies from a fee, assessment or other levy authorized by law or administrative rule deposited in the Fund must be held in trust. The monies in the fund may be used only for the purposes prescribed in statute (A.R.S. § 49-210).

H.B. 2129 appropriates \$1,500,000 from the state GF in FYs 2023 and 2024 to the Fund.

Provisions

- 1. Appropriates \$1,500,000 from the state GF in FYs 2023 and 2024 to the Fund to operate the Program permitting process.
- 2. Requires, by December 31, 2024, the Director to:
 - a) establish, by rule, permit fees sufficient to administer a Program; and
 - b) adopt all rules necessary to establish and implement a Program, including rules establishing permitting standards and a permit application process.
- 3. Requires monies collected by Program permit fees to be deposited in the Fund.
- 4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

House Action

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