



# ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Fifty-fifth Legislature  
Second Regular Session

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**HB 2588: state forester; legislative presentation; report**  
**Sponsor: Representative Grantham, LD 12**  
**Committee on Land, Agriculture & Rural Affairs**

## **Overview**

Directs the State Forester to give a presentation of forestry issues in each regular session and changes the date for the Department of Forestry and Fire Management (DFFM) to annually report expenditure information for nonnative vegetation species eradication project grants.

## **History**

The State Forester leads DFFM and has numerous mandated duties such as developing an annual statewide wildfire response plan and educating communities about wildfire threats. This official is required to present information to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over forestry issues during the first regular session of each Legislature ([A.R.S. § 37-1302](#)).

The Nonnative Vegetation Invasive Species Eradication Fund was established by [Laws 2019, Chapter 269](#) to provide grants for projects to remove invasive plants such as salt cedar. As the administrator of this fund, DFFM is required to annually report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) and the Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) by September 1 ([A.R.S. § 37-1309](#)).

## **Provisions**

1. Requires the State Forester to present information to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over forestry issues each regular session of the Legislature. (Sec. 1)
2. Directs DFFM, by December 1, to annually report to JLBC and OSPB the total expenditures from the previous year for nonnative vegetation species eradication project grants. (Sec. 2)

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