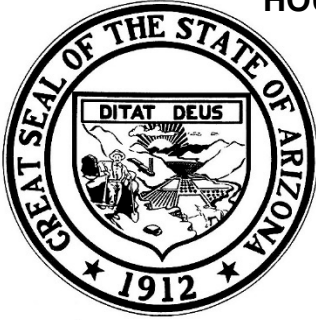


HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION



Bill Number: **HB 2907**

Bowers

Floor Amendment

The BOWERS floor amendment:

1. Establishes the Contingency and Safety Net Fund (Fund) that consists of monies appropriated to the Fund and received by the Office of the Governor from any lawful private or public source.
2. Specifies that the Office of the Governor administers the Fund and that the monies are continuously appropriated and exempt from lapsing.
3. Allows the Office of the Governor to accept and spend local, state and federal monies and private grants, gifts, contributions and devises to assist in carrying out the Fund.
4. Stipulates that the monies in the Fund may only be spent after the Governor's declaration of a state of emergency and only for the following forms of economic assistance during the state of emergency:
 - a) Housing assistance, including payments to prevent foreclosure or eviction.
 - b) Monies for entities to provide services for homeless people, including shelter, clothing, food and transportation.
 - c) Economic assistance to small businesses with less than 50 employees, health care providers and nonprofit organizations.
 - d) Monies for food bank operations.
5. Requires the Office of the Governor to notify the following people before spending monies in the fund on the intended use of the monies:
 - a) The President of the Senate;
 - b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
 - c) The Joint Legislative Budget Committee.
6. Directs the monies in the Fund to be used to supplement and not supplant any monies allocated by the federal government for economic assistance during a state of emergency.
7. Appropriates \$50 million from the state General Fund in FY 2020 to the Fund, in addition to any other appropriations made in FY 2020.
8. States that any unexpended and unencumbered monies appropriated to the Fund revert to the state General Fund on June 30, 2021.
9. Contains a legislative intent clause.

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BOWERS FLOOR AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2907
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Page 1, between lines 14 and 15, insert:

2 "Sec. 2. Title 41, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 41-110, to read:

4 41-110. Crisis contingency and safety net fund; exemption; use
5 of monies

6 A. THE CRISIS CONTINGENCY AND SAFETY NET FUND IS ESTABLISHED
7 CONSISTING OF MONIES APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND AND MONIES RECEIVED BY THE
8 OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FROM ANY LAWFUL PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SOURCE. THE
9 OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND. MONIES IN THE FUND ARE
10 CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED. THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR MAY ACCEPT AND SPEND
11 LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL MONIES AND PRIVATE GRANTS, GIFTS, CONTRIBUTIONS
12 AND DEVICES TO ASSIST IN CARRYING OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. MONIES
13 IN THE FUND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO
14 LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS.

15 B. MONIES IN THE FUND MAY BE SPENT ONLY FOLLOWING A STATE OF
16 EMERGENCY DECLARATION BY THE GOVERNOR AND ONLY FOR THE FOLLOWING FORMS OF
17 ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE DURING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY:

1 1. HOUSING ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING PAYMENTS TO PREVENT EVICTION OR
2 FORECLOSURE.

3 2. MONIES FOR ENTITIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR HOMELESS PERSONS,
4 INCLUDING SHELTER, FOOD, CLOTHING AND TRANSPORTATION.

5 3. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO SMALL BUSINESSES WITH FEWER THAN FIFTY
6 EMPLOYEES, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

7 4. MONIES FOR FOOD BANK OPERATIONS.

8 C. BEFORE SPENDING MONIES IN THE FUND, THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
9 SHALL NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
10 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE ON THE INTENDED
11 USE OF THE MONIES.

12 D. MONIES IN THE FUND SHALL BE USED TO SUPPLEMENT AND NOT SUPPLANT
13 ANY MONIES ALLOCATED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE
14 DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY."

15 Renumber to conform

16 Page 1, between lines 39 and 40, insert:

17 "Sec. 7. Eviction policies; intent

18 The legislature intends for counties, cities and towns to review
19 their eviction policies and procedures during the state of emergency
20 declaration by the governor related to the coronavirus disease 2019
21 (COVID-19) to allow individuals and families to remain in their places of
22 residence.

