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HB2540: fire incident management fund; appropriation Sponsor: Representative Grantham, LD 14 Caucus & COW

Overview

Creates the Fire Incident Management Fund (Fund) to provide for a statewide secure incident management platform. Appropriates \$12,000,000 from the State General Fund (GF) to the Fund for FY 2024.

History

The <u>Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management</u> uses the National Fire Incident Reporting System (<u>NFIRS</u>). The NFRIS is the standard national reporting system used in the United States by fire departments to report fires and other incidents. The NFRIS provides data to help plan for future fire department needs, identify resource needs, prioritize training and qualify for national grants.

Provisions

- 1. Establishes the Fund consisting of legislative appropriations. (Sec. 1)
- Directs the State Treasurer to administer the Fund subject to legislative appropriation. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Specifies that monies in the Fund must be used for the deployment of a statewide secure incident management platform for fire and law enforcement agencies. (Sec. 1)
- 4. Requires the Fund to provide a standardized incident command and management platform based on Federal Emergency Management Agency Standards. (Sec. 1)
- 5. Requires the Fund provide a collaboration and communications solution that:
 - a) Identifies the location, status and assignment of assigned resources;
 - b) Allows status updates, tracking and management of an incident;
 - c) Allows secure messaging and file sharing to all users involved in an incident;
 - d) Allows the sharing of collaborative maps, building floor plans and images between public safety agencies;
 - e) Allows collaboration and information sharing between agencies during a mass casualty event:
 - f) Defines a Federal Emergency Management Agency or National Incident Management System based organizational structure for the management of incidents;
 - g) Provides the ability to print forms for tracking and cost reimbursement;
 - h) Provides telemetry based firefighter safety monitoring;
 - i) Works in areas without internet access in a disconnected mode; and
 - i) Provides a connected platform for notification, response and rostering. (Sec. 1)
- 6. Appropriates \$12,000,000 from the GF to the Fund in FY 2024 and exempts this appropriation from lapsing. (Sec. 2)

☐ Prop 105 (45 votes)	☐ Prop 108 (40 votes)	☐ Emergency (40 votes)	☐ Fiscal Note

Amendments

Committee on Military Affairs and Public Safety

- 1. Adds the following two additional requirements for the collaboration and communications solution:
 - a) Provides cross platform functionality; and
 - b) Provides a smartphone based app for notification, accountability and situational awareness.