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SENATE BILL 25-088

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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Senate Committees
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT
102 OF AGRICULTURE.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Supplemental appropriations are made to the department of agriculture.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

1 **SECTION 1. Appropriation to the department of agriculture**
2 **for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024.** In Session Laws of Colorado
3 2024, section 2 of chapter 519, (HB 24-1430), **amend** Part I as follows:
4 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

APPROPRIATION FROM

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
PART I							
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE							
(1) COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES							
5	Personal Services	3,244,429	1,041,571			2,086,365 ^a	116,493(I)
6		(21.5 FTE)					
7	Health, Life, and Dental	4,749,937	1,787,464		2,957,398^b	5,075^a	
8			1,495,310		2,902,746 ^b		351,881(I)
9	Short-term Disability	46,321	20,116		26,120^b	85^a	
10			14,219		28,584 ^b		3,518(I)
11	Unfunded Liability						
12	Amortization Equalization						
13	Disbursement Payments	3,084,349	1,337,308		1,746,957^b		84(I)
14			944,247		1,905,597 ^b	1 ^a	234,504(I)
15	Paid Family and Medical						
16	Leave Insurance	138,796	51,367		87,424^b		4(I)
17			42,491		85,752 ^b		10,553(I)
18	Salary Survey	1,163,190	486,213		676,977^b		
19		931,842	271,781		587,128 ^b		72,933(I)

APPROPRIATION FROM

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	APPROPRIATION FROM				
			GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Step Pay	1,776,869	746,285		1,030,584^b		
2		2,008,216	531,162		1,330,245 ^b		146,809(I)
3	PERA Direct Distribution	507,289	213,061		294,228 ^b		
4	Shift Differential	55,265	1,139		53,179 ^b	8 ^a	939(I)
5	Temporary Employees						
6	Related to Authorized Leave	41,536			41,536 ^b		
7	Workers' Compensation	299,675	59,270		240,405 ^b		
8	Operating Expenses ¹	603,274	340,132			262,192 ^a	950(I)
9	Legal Services	1,002,945	291,848		711,097 ^b		
10	Administrative Law Judge						
11	Services	704			704 ^b		
12	Payment to Risk Management						
13	and Property Funds	418,801	253,906		164,895 ^b		
14	Annual Depreciation-Lease						
15	Equivalent Payment	461,617			461,617 ^b		
16	Vehicle Lease Payments	457,173	237,058		214,933^b		5,182(I)
17		506,605	262,692		238,171 ^b		5,742(I)

APPROPRIATION FROM

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Information Technology						
2	Asset Maintenance	42,041	42,041				
3	Leased Space	19,301			19,301 ^b		
4	Office Consolidation COP	529,063			529,063 ^b		
5	Payments to OIT	3,707,601	2,355,810		1,351,791^b		
6		3,449,518	2,191,824		1,257,694 ^b		
7	Digital Trunk Radio						
8	Payments	27,984	18,190		9,794 ^b		
9	CORE Operations	42,721	5,827		32,257 ^b	4,637 ^a	
10	Utilities	240,000	50,000			190,000 ^a	
11	Agrivoltaic Grants	500,000	500,000				
12	Agriculture Management						
13	Fund	2,048,914			2,048,914 ^c		
14					(2.0 FTE)		
15	Indirect Cost Assessment	<u>206,588</u>			206,588 ^c		
16		25,416,382					
17		25,207,731					
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1 ^a An estimated ~~\$2,125,436~~ \$2,120,277 shall be from departmental indirect cost recoveries or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S.,
2 and an estimated \$422,926 shall be from statewide indirect cost recoveries or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S.

3 ^b Of these amounts, an estimated ~~\$3,142,721~~ \$3,198,758 shall be from the Brand Inspection Fund created in Section 35-41-102 (1), C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$1,708,817~~ \$1,721,175 shall
4 be from the Plant Health, Pest Control, and Environmental Protection Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.3 (1), C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$706,306~~ \$711,422 shall be from the Colorado
5 State Fair Authority Cash Fund created in Section 35-65-107 (1), C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$649,497~~ \$655,896 shall be from the Inspection and Consumer Services Cash Fund created in
6 Section 35-1-106.5 (1), C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$601,963~~ \$606,883 shall be from the Agricultural Products Inspection Cash Fund created in Section 35-23-114 (3)(a), C.R.S., an estimated
7 ~~\$579,534~~ \$586,591 shall be from the Agriculture Management Fund created in Section 35-1-106.9, C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$354,978~~ \$356,096 shall be from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund
8 created in Section 39-28.8-501 (1), C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$61,663~~ \$62,304 shall be from the Pet Animal Care and Facility Fund created in Section 35-80-116, C.R.S., an estimated
9 \$12,242(I) shall be from the Agriculture Value-added Cash Fund created in Section 35-75-205 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, an estimated \$6,708
10 shall be from the Alternative Livestock Farm Cash Fund created in Section 35-41.5-116, C.R.S., an estimated ~~\$6,704(I)~~ \$6,911(I) shall be from the Colorado Wine Industry Development
11 Fund created in Section 35-29.5-105 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, an estimated \$1,624(I) shall be from the Veterinary Vaccine and Service
12 Fund created in Section 35-50-106 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, an estimated \$1,438 shall be from the Aquaculture Cash Fund created in Section
13 35-24.5-111, C.R.S., and an estimated ~~\$2,816,065~~ \$2,965,945 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

14 ^c These amounts shall be from the Agriculture Management Fund created in Section 35-1-106.9, C.R.S.

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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	(2) AGRICULTURAL SERVICES						
2	Animal Industry Division	3,888,922		3,305,737	405,925 ^a		177,260(I)
3		(27.0 FTE)					
4	Plant Industry Division	7,370,235		546,768	6,021,611 ^b		801,856(I)
5		(59.3 FTE)					
6	Inspection and Consumer						
7	Services Division	5,975,227		1,366,041	4,209,343 ^c	84,000 ^d	315,843(I)
8		(58.0 FTE)					
9	Conservation Services						
10	Division ²	5,464,393		1,867,033	2,071,056 ^e	700,000 ^f	826,304(I)
11		(22.6 FTE)					
12	Appropriation to the Noxious						
13	Weed Management Fund	700,000		700,000			
14	Lease Purchase Lab						
15	Equipment	99,360			99,360 ^g		
16	Indirect Cost Assessment	<u>1,686,424</u>			1,375,852 ^g		310,572(I)
17			25,184,561				
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^a Of this amount, an estimated \$335,318(I) shall be from the Veterinary Vaccine and Service Fund created in Section 35-50-106 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, an estimated \$10,000 shall be from the Animal Protection Fund created in Section 35-42-113 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$5,000 shall be from the Aquaculture Cash Fund created in Section 35-24.5-111, C.R.S., an estimated \$5,000(I) shall be from the Diseased Livestock Indemnity Fund created in Section 35-50-114 (3), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, an estimated \$5,000(I) shall be from the Cervidae Disease Revolving Fund created in Section 35-50-115 (1)(a), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, and an estimated \$45,607 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

^b Of this amount, an estimated \$3,571,460 shall be from the Plant Health, Pest Control, and Environmental Protection Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.3 (1), C.R.S., \$1,079,677 shall be from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund created in Section 39-28.8-501 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$1,035,220 shall be from the Industrial Hemp Registration Program Cash Fund created in Section 35-61-106 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$16,124 shall be from the Emergency Invasive Pest Control Fund created in Section 35-1-106.4 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$5,000 shall be from the Seed Potato Cash Fund created in Section 35-27.3-111, C.R.S., and an estimated \$314,130 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

^c Of this amount, an estimated \$2,956,981 shall be from the Inspection and Consumer Services Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.5 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$725,427 shall be from the Pet Animal Care and Facility Fund created in Section 35-80-116, C.R.S., an estimated \$170,000 shall be from the Plant Health, Pest Control, and Environmental Protection Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.3 (1), C.R.S., \$167,518 shall be from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund created in Section 39-28.8-501 (1), C.R.S., and an estimated \$189,417 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

^d This amount shall be from the Department of Public Health and Environment from the Clean Water Program Costs line item appropriation in the Clean Water Program subdivision in the Water Quality Control Division.

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\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

1 ^e Of this amount, an estimated \$1,423,800 shall be from the Plant Health, Pest Control, and Environmental Protection Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.3 (1), C.R.S., an estimated
2 \$500,000(I) shall be from the Agriculture Value-added Cash Fund created in Section 35-75-205 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes only, an estimated
3 \$15,000 shall be from the Noxious Weed Management Fund created in Section 35-5.5-116 (1), C.R.S., and an estimated \$132,256 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

4 ^f This amount shall be transferred from the appropriation to the Noxious Weed Management Fund line item within this section. This amount shall be from the Noxious Weed Management
5 Fund created in Section 35-5.5-116 (1), C.R.S.

6 ^g Of these amounts, an estimated \$402,318 shall be from the Plant Health, Pest Control, and Environmental Protection Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.3 (1), C.R.S., an estimated
7 \$374,521 shall be from the Inspection and Consumer Services Cash Fund created in Section 35-1-106.5 (1), C.R.S., \$214,346 shall be from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund created in
8 Section 39-28.8-501 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$98,062 shall be from the Pet Animal Care and Facility Fund created in Section 35-80-116, C.R.S., an estimated \$64,645 shall be from
9 the Industrial Hemp Registration Program Cash Fund created in Section 35-61-106 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$44,575(I) shall be from the Veterinary Vaccine and Service Fund created
10 in Section 35-50-106 (1), C.R.S., and an estimated \$276,745 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

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12 **(3) AGRICULTURAL MARKETS DIVISION**

13 **(A) Agricultural Markets**

14 Program Costs ³	2,206,079	1,245,398		32,451 ^a		928,230(I)
		(6.4 FTE)				
16 Wine Promotion Board	574,246			574,246(I) ^b		
				(1.5 FTE)		

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Agriculture Workforce						
2	660,261		360,261		300,000 ^c		
3			(1.0 FTE)				
4	46,016				28,290(I) ^b		17,726(I)
5	Community Food Access						
6	172,238		172,238				
7			(2.0 FTE)				
8	<u>3,658,840</u>						
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10	^a This amount shall be from various sources of cash funds within the Department.						
11	^b These amounts shall be from the Colorado Wine Industry Development Fund created in Section 35-29.5-105 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational purposes as the						
12	fund is continuously appropriated pursuant to Section 35-29.5-105 (1), C.R.S.						
13	^c This amount shall be from the Agriculture Management Fund created in Section 35-1-106.9, C.R.S.						
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15	(B) Agricultural Products Inspection						
16	2,538,757		138,379		2,400,378 ^a		
17					(34.5 FTE)		
18	<u>158,852</u>				158,852 ^a		
19	2,697,609						

APPROPRIATION FROM

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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2	^a These amounts shall be from the Agricultural Products Inspection Cash Fund created in Section 35-23-114 (3)(a), C.R.S.						
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4		6,356,449					
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6	(4) BRAND BOARD						
7	Brand Inspection	5,429,025			5,429,025 ^a		
8					(59.0 FTE)		
9	Alternative Livestock	15,355			15,355 ^b		
10	Brand Estray Fund	40,000			40,000(I) ^c		
11	Indirect Cost Assessment	<u>284,644</u>			284,644 ^d		
12		5,769,024					
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14	^a This amount shall be from the Brand Inspection Fund created in Section 35-41-102 (1), C.R.S.						
15	^b This amount shall be from the Alternative Livestock Farm Cash Fund created in Section 35-41.5-116, C.R.S.						
16	^c This amount shall be from the Estray Fund created in Section 35-41-102 (1), C.R.S., and is included for informational purposes as the fund is continuously appropriated pursuant to						
17	Section 35-41-102 (1), C.R.S.						

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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

1 ^d Of this amount, an estimated \$272,776 shall be from the Brand Inspection Fund created in Section 35-41-102 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$5,656 shall be from the Alternative Livestock
2 Farm Cash Fund created in Section 35-41.5-116, C.R.S., and an estimated \$5,357(I) shall be from the Estray Fund created in Section 35-41-102 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included
3 for informational purposes only, and an estimated \$855 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

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5 **(5) COLORADO STATE FAIR**

6 Program Costs	10,162,085		450,000		9,712,085 ^a		
					(26.9 FTE)		
8 FFA and 4H Funding	550,000		250,000		300,000 ^b		
9 State Fair Facilities							
10 Maintenance	429,492		300,000		129,492 ^a		
11 Indirect Cost Assessment	165,838				165,838 ^a		
		11,307,415					

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14 ^a These amounts shall be from the Colorado State Fair Authority Cash Fund created in Section 35-65-107 (1), C.R.S.

15 ^b This amount shall be from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund created in Section 39-28.8-501 (1), C.R.S.

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17 **(6) CONSERVATION BOARD**

18 Program Costs	526,251		526,251				
			(5.2 FTE)				

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		APPROPRIATION FROM					
		GENERAL	GENERAL	CASH	REAPPROPRIATED	FEDERAL	
ITEM &	TOTAL	FUND	FUND	FUNDS	FUNDS	FUNDS	
SUBTOTAL		EXEMPT					
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1 Distributions to Soil							
2 Conservation Districts	483,767	483,767					
3 Matching Grants to Districts	675,000	225,000		450,000 ^a			
4 Salinity Control Grants	506,781					506,781(I)	
5 Appropriation to the							
6 Conservation District Grant							
7 Fund	<u>450,000</u>			450,000 ^b			
8	2,641,799						
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10 ^a Of this amount, an estimated \$350,000(I) shall be from the Conservation District Grant Fund created in Section 35-1-106.7 (1), C.R.S., which amount is included for informational							
11 purposes only, and an estimated \$100,000 shall be from the Agriculture Management Fund created in Section 35-1-106.9, C.R.S.							
12 ^b This amount shall be from the Severance Tax Operational Fund created in Section 39-29-109 (2)(b), C.R.S.							
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15 TOTALS PART I							
16 (AGRICULTURE)	\$76,675,630	\$21,775,479		\$47,559,565 ^a	\$3,332,362	\$4,008,224 ^b	
17	<u>\$76,466,979</u>	<u>\$20,507,584</u>		<u>\$47,803,298^a</u>	<u>\$3,327,203</u>	<u>\$4,828,894^b</u>	
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1 ^a Of this amount, ~~\$1,908,356~~ \$1,908,563 contains an (I) notation.

2 ^b This amount contains an (I) notation.

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4 **FOOTNOTES** -- The following statements are referenced to the numbered footnotes throughout section 2.

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6 1 Department of Agriculture, Commissioner's Office and Administrative Services, Operating Expenses -- It is the General Assembly's intent that \$207,099
7 General Fund of this appropriation be used for the implementation of a Human Resources and Business Operations solution within OnBase. This appropriation
8 remains available for expenditure until the completion of the project or the close of the 2026-27 state fiscal year, whichever comes first.

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10 2 Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Services, Conservation Services Division -- It is the General Assembly's intent that \$500,000 General Fund of this
11 appropriation be disbursed for grants for renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. This appropriation remains available until the close of the 2026-27
12 state fiscal year.

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14 3 Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Markets Division, Agricultural Markets, Program Costs -- It is the General Assembly's intent that \$39,825 General
15 Fund of this appropriation be used for the International Markets program, and \$26,550 General Fund be used for the Colorado Proud program.

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		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	4	Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Markets Division, Agricultural Markets, Agriculture Workforce Development Program -- This appropriation remains						
2		available for expenditure until the close of the 2025-26 state fiscal year.						
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4	5	Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Markets Division, Agricultural Markets, Agriculture Workforce Development Program -- It is the General Assembly's						
5		intent that \$64,108 General Fund of this appropriation is designated to be used for purposes of the Workforce Development program.						

1 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
3 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
4 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
5 institutions.