

SB2528



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB2528

Introduced 2/25/2025, by Sen. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, as follows:

General Funds	\$38,190,000
Other State Funds	\$114,383,700
Federal Funds	<u>\$79,525,300</u>
Total	\$232,099,000

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning appropriations.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 ARTICLE 1

5 Section 5. The following named amounts, or so much thereof
6 as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
7 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
8 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
9 Agriculture:

10 FOR OPERATIONS

11 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

12 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

13	For Personal Services.....	1,893,300
14	For State Contributions to	
15	Social Security.....	144,900
16	For Contractual Services.....	325,000
17	For Refunds.....	<u>10,000</u>
18	Total	\$2,373,200

19 Section 10. The amount of \$660,000, or so much thereof as
20 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
21 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for all costs associated
22 with the Crop Insurance Rebate Initiative.

1 Section 15. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may
 2 be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to
 3 the Department of Agriculture for costs associated with the
 4 Agriculture Equity Commission.

5 Section 20. The sum of \$1,696,400, or so much thereof as
 6 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
 7 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for costs and expenses
 8 related to or in support of the agency's operations.

9 Section 25. The amount of \$125,000, or so much thereof as
 10 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
 11 Fund to the Department of Agriculture to implement diversity,
 12 equity, and inclusion initiatives.

13 Section 30. The following named amounts, or so much
 14 thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the
 15 Department of Agriculture for the following purposes:

16 Payable from the Agricultural Premium Fund:

17 For expenses related to the Food Safety	
18 Modernization Initiative.....	100,000
19 For deposit into the State Cooperative	
20 Extension Service Trust Fund	<u>10,000,000</u>
21 Total	\$10,100,000

1 Section 35. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may
 2 be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of Agriculture
 3 from the Future Farmers of America Fund for grants to the
 4 Illinois Association of Future Farmers of America.

5 Section 40. The sum of \$550,000, or so much thereof as may
 6 be necessary, is appropriated from the Fair and Exposition
 7 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for costs associated
 8 with Future Farmers of America membership fees.

9 Section 45. The following named amounts, or so much
 10 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
 11 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
 12 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
 13 Agriculture:

14 Payable from Wholesome Meat Fund:

15	For Personal Services.....	270,400
16	For State Contributions to State	
17	Employees' Retirement System.....	143,400
18	For State Contributions to	
19	Social Security.....	22,900
20	For Group Insurance.....	66,400
21	For Contractual Services.....	218,400
22	For Travel.....	46,800
23	For Commodities.....	12,500
24	For Printing.....	20,800

1	For Equipment.....	46,800
2	For Telecommunication Services.....	<u>26,000</u>
3	Total	\$874,400

4 Section 50. The sum of \$324,700, or so much thereof as may
5 be necessary, is appropriated from the Wholesome Meat Fund to
6 the Department of Agriculture for costs and expenses related
7 to or in support of the agency's operations, including prior
8 years' costs.

9 Section 55. The following named amounts, or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the
11 Department of Agriculture for the following purposes:

12 Payable from Partners for Conservation Fund:

13	For deposit into the State Cooperative	
14	Extension Service Trust Fund	994,700
15	For deposit into the State Cooperative	
16	Extension Service Trust Fund for	
17	operational expenses and programs	
18	at the University of Illinois Cook	
19	County Cooperative Extension Service	2,449,200

20 Section 60. The sum of \$3,733,100, or so much thereof as
21 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Tourism Promotion
22 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for costs and
23 operational expenses associated with the Springfield and Du

1 Quoin Illinois State Fairs and fairgrounds, not including
2 personal services.

3 Section 65. The sum of \$27,000,000, or so much thereof as
4 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Agriculture Federal
5 Projects Fund to the Department of Agriculture for the
6 expenses of various federal projects, including, but not
7 limited to, the Local Food Purchase Assistance Program,
8 including prior years' costs.

9 Section 70. The following named amounts, or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
11 the Department of Agriculture for:

12 COMPUTER SERVICES

13 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

14 For Electronic Data Processing.....1,499,400
15 For Contractual Services.....218,300

16 Section 75. The following named amounts, or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
18 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
19 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
20 Agriculture:

21 FOR OPERATIONS

22 AGRICULTURE REGULATION

23 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

1	For Personal Services.....	1,810,000
2	For State Contributions to	
3	Social Security.....	138,500
4	For Contractual Services.....	1,998,700
5	For Travel.....	2,000
6	For Commodities.....	2,500
7	For Printing.....	1,000
8	For Equipment.....	5,000
9	For Telecommunication Services.....	12,000
10	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	<u>18,000</u>
11	Total	\$3,987,700

12 Section 80. The sum of \$1,915,300, or so much thereof as
 13 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Fertilizer Control
 14 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for expenses relating to
 15 agricultural products inspection.

16 Section 85. The sum of \$2,820,800, or so much thereof as
 17 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Feed Control Fund
 18 to the Department of Agriculture for Feed Control.

19 Section 90. The amount of \$520,000, or so much thereof as
 20 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
 21 Agriculture from the Agriculture Federal Projects Fund for
 22 expenses of various federal projects, including prior years'
 23 costs.

1 Section 95. The following named sums, or so much thereof
 2 as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
 3 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
 4 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
 5 Agriculture:

6 MARKETING

7 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

8 For Personal Services.....2,331,000

9 For State Contributions to

10 Social Security.....178,400

11 Payable from Agricultural Premium Fund:

12 For Expenses Connected With the Promotion

13 and Marketing of Illinois Agriculture

14 and Agriculture Exports1,479,900

15 For Implementation of Programs

16 and Activities to Promote, Develop

17 and Enhance the Biotechnology

18 Industry in Illinois100,000

19 For Expenses Related to Viticulturist

20 and Enologist Contractual Staff150,000

21 Payable from Federal Agricultural Marketing

22 Services Fund:

23 For Administering Illinois' Part under Public

24 Law No. 733, "An Act to provide for further

25 research into basic laws and principles

1 relating to agriculture and to improve
 2 and facilitate the marketing and
 3 distribution of agricultural products", including
 4 prior years' costs 60,000

5 Payable from Agriculture Federal

6 Projects Fund:

7 For Expenses of Various Federal Projects,

8 including prior years' costs 2,800,000

9 Section 100. The following named amounts, or so much
 10 thereof as may be necessary for the objects and purposes
 11 hereinafter named, are appropriated to the Department of
 12 Agriculture:

13 MEDICINAL PLANTS

14 Payable from the Compassionate Use of Medical

15 Cannabis Fund:

16 For all costs associated with the

17 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis

18 Program..... 10,130,000

19 Payable from the Industrial Hemp Regulatory Fund:

20 For all costs associated with the

21 Operation, Implementation, and Enforcement

22 of the Industrial Hemp Act 2,100,300

23 Section 105. The sum of \$20,554,900, or so much thereof as
 24 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Cannabis Regulation

1 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for all costs associated
2 with the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

3 Section 110. The sum of \$430,000, or much thereof as may be
4 necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to
5 the Department of Agriculture for the costs associated with
6 the Weights and Measures Division.

7 Section 115. The following named amounts, or so much
8 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
9 the Department of Agriculture for:

10 WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

11 Payable from the Weights and Measures Fund:

12	For Personal Services.....	3,442,400
13	For State Contributions to State	
14	Employees' Retirement System.....	1,754,500
15	For State Contributions to	
16	Social Security.....	263,400
17	For Group Insurance.....	1,394,400
18	For Contractual Services.....	383,900
19	For Travel.....	67,600
20	For Commodities.....	24,200
21	For Printing.....	17,200
22	For Equipment.....	416,000
23	For Telecommunication Services.....	46,800
24	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	488,800

1 For Refunds.....10,000

2 Total \$8,309,200

3 Payable from the Motor Fuel and Petroleum

4 Standards Fund:

5 For the Regulation of Motor Fuel Quality.....52,000

6 Section 120. The following named amounts, or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
8 the Department of Agriculture for:

9 ANIMAL INDUSTRIES

10 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

11 For Personal Services.....1,970,000

12 For State Contributions to

13 Social Security.....150,800

14 For Contractual Services.....102,000

15 For Travel.....80,000

16 For Commodities.....44,000

17 For Printing.....2,500

18 For Equipment.....104,000

19 For Telecommunication Services.....28,000

20 For Operation of Auto Equipment.....70,000

21 Total \$2,551,300

22 Payable from the Illinois Department of

23 Agriculture Laboratory Services Revolving Fund:

24 For Expenses Authorized by the Animal

25 Disease Laboratories Act41,600

1 Payable from the Agriculture Federal Projects Fund:
 2 For Expenses of Various Federal Projects,
 3 including prior years' costs156,000

4 Section 125. The following named amounts, or so much
 5 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 6 the Department of Agriculture for:

7 MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION

8 Payable from the General Revenue Fund:
 9 For Personal Services..... 5,096,300
 10 For State Contributions to
 11 Social Security..... 389,900
 12 For Contractual Services..... 550,000
 13 For Travel..... 90,000
 14 For Commodities..... 8,000
 15 For Printing..... 0
 16 For Equipment..... 11,000
 17 For Telecommunication Services..... 44,500
 18 For Operation of Auto Equipment..... 105,000
 19 Total \$6,294,700

20 Payable from Agricultural Master Fund:
 21 For Expenses Relating to
 22 Inspection of Agricultural Products 1,410,000

23 Payable from Wholesome Meat Fund:
 24 For Personal Services..... 5,128,100
 25 For State Contributions to State

1	Employees' Retirement System.....	2,613,600
2	For State Contributions to	
3	Social Security.....	392,300
4	For Group Insurance.....	1,909,000
5	For Contractual Services.....	606,000
6	For Travel.....	119,600
7	For Commodities.....	34,700
8	For Printing.....	2,600
9	For Equipment.....	47,200
10	For Telecommunication Services.....	51,500
11	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	<u>125,200</u>
12	Total	\$11,029,800

13 Payable from the Agriculture Federal Projects Fund:

14	For Expenses of Various Federal Projects.....	60,400
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15 Section 130. The following named sums, or so much thereof
 16 as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
 17 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
 18 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
 19 Agriculture for:

20 LAND AND WATER RESOURCES

21 Payable from the Agricultural Premium Fund:

22	For Personal Services.....	1,040,000
23	For State Contributions to State	
24	Employee's Retirement System.....	530,100
25	For State Contributions to Social	

1	Security.....	79,600
2	For Contractual Services.....	176,800
3	For Travel.....	62,400
4	For Commodities.....	9,400
5	For Printing.....	4,200
6	For Equipment.....	13,600
7	For Telecommunication Services.....	25,000
8	For Operation of Automotive Equipment.....	21,400
9	For the Ordinary and Contingent	
10	Expenses of the Natural Resources	
11	Advisory Board.....	<u>2,100</u>
12	Total	\$1,964,600
13	Payable from the Partners for Conservation Fund:	
14	For Personal Services.....	818,000
15	For State Contributions to State	
16	Employees' Retirement System.....	417,000
17	For State Contributions to Social	
18	Security.....	62,600
19	For Group Insurance.....	265,600
20	For Expenses Relating to	
21	Soil Health Assessments.....	<u>250,000</u>
22	Total	\$1,813,200

23 Section 135. The sum of \$3,000,000, or so much thereof as
 24 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
 25 Agriculture from the Partners for Conservation Fund for grants

1 to Soil and Water Conservation Districts to fund projects for
 2 landowner cost sharing, streambank stabilization, nutrient
 3 loss protection and sustainable agriculture.

4 Section 140. The sum of \$4,500,000, or so much thereof as
 5 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
 6 Agriculture from the Partners for Conservation Fund for grants
 7 to Soil and Water Conservation Districts for ordinary and
 8 contingent administrative expenses.

9 Section 145. The amount of \$9,880,000, or so much thereof
 10 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Agriculture
 11 Federal Projects Fund to the Department of Agriculture for
 12 expenses relating to various federal projects, including prior
 13 years' costs.

14 Section 150. The following named amounts, or so much
 15 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 16 the Department of Agriculture for:

17 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

18 Payable from the General Revenue Fund:

19 For Administration of the Livestock
 20 Management Facilities Act 885,100
 21 For the Detection, Eradication, and
 22 Control of Exotic Pests, such as
 23 the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and

1	Spongy Moth.....	<u>1,163,900</u>
2	Total	\$2,049,000
3	Payable from the Used Tire Management Fund:	
4	For Mosquito Control.....	50,000
5	Payable from Livestock Management Facilities Fund:	
6	For Administration of the Livestock	
7	Management Facilities Act.....	56,200
8	Payable from Pesticide Control Fund:	
9	For Administration and Enforcement	
10	of the Illinois Pesticide Act	8,840,000
11	Payable from Agriculture Pesticide Control Act Fund:	
12	For Expenses of Pesticide Enforcement Program,	
13	including prior years' costs	780,000
14	Payable from the Agriculture Federal Projects Fund:	
15	For Expenses of Various Federal Projects,	
16	including prior years' costs	26,040,000

17 Section 155. The sum of \$2,900,000, or so much thereof as
 18 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
 19 Agriculture from the General Revenue Fund for Operations of
 20 the Illinois State Fair, Including Entertainment and the
 21 Percentage Portion of Entertainment Contracts.

22 Section 160. The sum of \$7,900,000, or so much thereof as
 23 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
 24 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for ordinary and

1 contingent expenses, including facilities management at the
2 Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield and Du Quoin.

3 Section 165. The following named sums, or so much thereof
4 as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
5 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
6 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
7 Agriculture for:

8 SPRINGFIELD STATE FAIR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9 Payable from Agricultural Premium Fund:

10	For Personal Services.....	2,292,000
11	For State Contributions to State	
12	Employee's Retirement System.....	1,168,200
13	For State Contributions to	
14	Social Security.....	175,400
15	For Operations of Buildings and	
16	Grounds in Springfield including	
17	prior years' costs.....	1,638,000
18	For Awards to Livestock Breeders	
19	and Related Expenses.....	<u>230,000</u>
20	Total	\$5,503,600

21 Payable from Agricultural Premium Fund:

22 For repairs, maintenance, and capital improvements
23 Including construction, reconstruction, improvement,
24 Repair and installation of capital facilities, costs of
25 Planning, supplies, materials, equipment, personal

1	services and related costs, services and all other	
2	expenses required to complete the work for	
3	Permanent Improvements at the Illinois State	
4	Fairgrounds.....	\$2,106,000
5	Payable from the Illinois State Fair Fund:	
6	For Operations of the Illinois State Fair	
7	Including Entertainment and the Percentage	
8	Portion of Entertainment Contracts	8,678,100
9	For Awards and Premiums at the	
10	Illinois State Fair	
11	and related expenses	540,800
12	For Awards and Premiums for	
13	Horse Racing at the	
14	Illinois State Fairgrounds	
15	and related expenses	<u>185,800</u>
16	Total	\$9,404,700

17 Section 170. The sum of \$1,560,000, or so much thereof as
 18 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Illinois State Fair
 19 Fund to the Department of Agriculture to promote and conduct
 20 activities at the Illinois State Fairgrounds at Springfield
 21 other than the Illinois State Fair, including administrative
 22 expenses. No expenditures from the appropriation shall be
 23 authorized until revenues from fairground uses sufficient to
 24 offset such expenditures have been collected and deposited
 25 into the Illinois State Fair Fund.

1 Section 175. The sum of \$200,000, or so much thereof as may
 2 be necessary, is appropriated from the State Fairgrounds
 3 Capital Improvements and Harness Racing Fund to support the
 4 Department of Agriculture to provide support for harness race
 5 meetings, to repair and rehabilitate backstretch facilities at
 6 the Illinois State Fairgrounds and Du Quoin State Fairgrounds,
 7 and to repair and rehabilitate the capital infrastructure of
 8 the Illinois State Fairgrounds and Du Quoin State Fairgrounds.

9 Section 180. The following named amounts, or so much
 10 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 11 the Department of Agriculture for:

12 DU QUOIN BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

13 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

14	For Personal Services.....	920,000
15	For State Contributions to	
16	Social Security.....	70,400
17	For ordinary and contingent expenses	
18	related to the buildings and grounds at the	
19	DuQuoin State Fairgrounds	<u>725,000</u>
20	Total	\$1,715,400

21 Payable from Illinois State Fair Fund:

22	For operational expenses at the Illinois State Fairgrounds	
23	at Du Quoin other than the Illinois State Fair	
24	including administrative expenses	494,000

1 Section 185. The sum of \$806,000, or so much thereof as may
 2 be necessary, is appropriated from the Agricultural Premium
 3 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for repairs,
 4 maintenance, and capital improvements including construction,
 5 reconstruction, improvement, repair and installation of
 6 capital facilities, cost of planning, supplies, materials,
 7 equipment, personal services and related costs, services and
 8 all other expenses required to complete the work for Permanent
 9 Improvements at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds.

10 Section 190. The following named amounts, or so much
 11 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 12 the Department of Agriculture for:

13 DU QUOIN STATE FAIR

14 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

15	For Personal Services.....	590,000
16	For State Contributions to	
17	Social Security.....	45,200
18	For Contractual Services.....	475,000
19	For Commodities.....	20,000
20	For Printing.....	8,000
21	For Telecommunication Services.....	<u>42,000</u>
22	Total	\$1,180,200

23 Payable from the Illinois State Fair Fund:

24 For Entertainment and other Expenses

1 at the Du Quoin State Fair, including
 2 the Percentage Portion of
 3 Entertainment Contracts.....1,100,000

4 Section 195. The following named amounts, or so much
 5 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 6 the Department of Agriculture for:

7 COUNTY FAIRS AND HORSE RACING

8 Payable from the Agricultural Premium Fund:

9 For Personal Services.....118,100
 10 For State Contributions to State
 11 Employees' Retirement System.....60,200
 12 For State Contributions to
 13 Social Security.....9,100
 14 For Contractual Services.....13,600
 15 For Travel.....2,600
 16 For Commodities.....1,000
 17 For Printing.....400
 18 For Equipment.....1,100
 19 For Telecommunication Services.....1,100
 20 For Operation of Auto Equipment.....900
 21 For premiums to agricultural extension
 22 or 4-H clubs to be distributed at a
 23 uniform rate.....817,900
 24 For premiums to vocational
 25 agriculture fairs.....338,000

1	For grants and other purposes for county	
2	fair and state fair horse racing	<u>342,500</u>
3	Total	\$1,706,500
4	Payable from the Fair and Exposition Fund:	
5	For distribution to county fairs and	
6	fair and exposition authorities	998,400
7	For distribution to encourage and aid	
8	county fairs and other agricultural	
9	societies. This distribution shall be	
10	prorated and approved by the Department	
11	of Agriculture	1,891,400
12	For rehabilitation of county fairgrounds.....	1,366,900
13	Payable from the Illinois Racing	
14	Quarter Horse Breeders Fund:	
15	For promotion of the Illinois horse	
16	racing and breeding industry	31,200

17 Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
 18 2025.