

SB4091



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB4091

Introduced 2/25/2026, 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, 2026, as follows:

General Funds	\$33,781,300
Other State Funds	\$129,597,000
Federal Funds	<u>\$56,568,400</u>
Total	\$219,946,700

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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.....	2,377,200
14	For State Contributions to	
15	Social Security.....	181,900
16	For Contractual Services.....	338,000
17	For Refunds.....	<u>10,000</u>
18	Total	\$2,907,100

19 Section 10. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may
20 be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to
21 the Department of Agriculture for costs associated with the
22 Agriculture Equity Commission.

1 Section 15. The sum of \$1,764,300, or so much thereof as
 2 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
 3 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for costs and expenses
 4 related to or in support of the agency's operations.

5 Section 20. The amount of \$125,000, or so much thereof as
 6 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
 7 Fund to the Department of Agriculture to implement diversity,
 8 equity, and inclusion initiatives.

9 Section 25. 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 the Agricultural Premium Fund:

13 For expenses related to the Food Safety	
14 Modernization Initiative.....	100,000
15 For deposit into the State Cooperative	
16 Extension Service Trust Fund.....	<u>10,000,000</u>
17 Total	\$10,100,000

18 Section 30. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may
 19 be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of Agriculture
 20 from the Future Farmers of America Fund for grants to the
 21 Illinois Association of Future Farmers of America.

1 Section 35. The sum of \$550,000, or so much thereof as may
 2 be necessary, is appropriated from the Fair and Exposition
 3 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for costs associated
 4 with Future Farmers of America membership fees.

5 Section 40. The following named amounts, or so much
 6 thereof 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 Payable from Wholesome Meat Fund:

11	For Personal Services.....	281,300
12	For State Contributions to State	
13	Employees' Retirement System.....	122,300
14	For State Contributions to	
15	Social Security.....	22,900
16	For Group Insurance.....	70,400
17	For Contractual Services.....	227,200
18	For Travel.....	48,700
19	For Commodities.....	13,000
20	For Printing.....	21,700
21	For Equipment.....	48,700
22	For Telecommunication Services.....	<u>27,100</u>
23	Total	\$883,300

24 Section 45. The sum of \$337,700, or so much thereof as may

1 be necessary, is appropriated from the Wholesome Meat Fund to
 2 the Department of Agriculture for costs and expenses related
 3 to or in support of the agency's operations, including prior
 4 years' costs.

5 Section 50. The following named amounts, or so much
 6 thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the
 7 Department of Agriculture for the following purposes:

8 Payable from Partners for Conservation Fund:

9 For deposit into the State Cooperative
 10 Extension Service Trust Fund 994,700
 11 For deposit into the State Cooperative
 12 Extension Service Trust Fund for
 13 operational expenses and programs
 14 at the University of Illinois Cook
 15 County Cooperative Extension Service 2,449,200

16 Section 55. The following named amounts, or so much
 17 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 18 the Department of Agriculture for:

19 COMPUTER SERVICES

20 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

21 For Electronic Data Processing..... 1,280,000
 22 For Contractual Services..... 218,300

23 Section 60. The following named amounts, or so much

1 For Personal Services.....1,796,100

2 For State Contributions to

3 Social Security.....137,400

4 Payable from Agricultural Premium Fund:

5 For Expenses Connected With the Promotion

6 and Marketing of Illinois Agriculture

7 and Agriculture Exports1,435,100

8 For Implementation of Programs

9 and Activities to Promote, Develop

10 and Enhance the Biotechnology

11 Industry in Illinois100,000

12 For Expenses Related to Viticulturist

13 and Enologist Contractual Staff150,000

14 Payable from Agriculture Federal

15 Projects Fund:

16 For Expenses of Various Federal Projects,

17 including prior years' costs7,000,000

18 Section 80. The following named amounts, or so much

19 thereof as may be necessary for the objects and purposes

20 hereinafter named, are appropriated to the Department of

21 Agriculture:

22 MEDICINAL PLANTS

23 Payable from the Compassionate Use of Medical

24 Cannabis Fund:

25 For all costs associated with the

1 Compassionate Use of Medical
 2 Cannabis Program.....10,130,000

3 Payable from the Industrial Hemp Regulatory Fund:

4 For all costs associated with the
 5 Operation, Implementation, and Enforcement
 6 of the Industrial Hemp Act2,100,300

7 Section 85. The sum of \$20,554,900, or so much thereof as
 8 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Cannabis Regulation
 9 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for all costs associated
 10 with the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

11 Section 90. The following named amounts, or so much
 12 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 13 the Department of Agriculture for:

14 WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

15 Payable from the Weights and Measures Fund:

16 For Personal Services.....3,500,000
 17 For State Contributions to State
 18 Employees' Retirement System.....1,521,000
 19 For State Contributions to
 20 Social Security.....275,000
 21 For Group Insurance.....1,513,600
 22 For Contractual Services.....399,300
 23 For Travel.....70,300
 24 For Commodities.....35,000

1	For Printing.....	18,000
2	For Equipment.....	432,700
3	For Telecommunication Services.....	50,000
4	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	508,400
5	For Refunds.....	<u>10,000</u>
6	Total	\$8,333,300

7 Payable from the Motor Fuel and Petroleum

8 Standards Fund:

9	For the Regulation of Motor Fuel Quality.....	54,100
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10 Section 95. The following named amounts, or so much
 11 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 12 the Department of Agriculture for:

13 ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

14 Payable from General Revenue Fund:

15	For Personal Services.....	2,150,000
16	For State Contributions to	
17	Social Security.....	164,400
18	For Contractual Services.....	127,000
19	For Travel.....	83,200
20	For Commodities.....	45,800
21	For Printing.....	2,600
22	For Equipment.....	108,200
23	For Telecommunication Services.....	29,200
24	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	<u>46,800</u>
25	Total	\$2,757,200

1 Payable from the Illinois Department of
 2 Agriculture Laboratory Services Revolving Fund:
 3 For Expenses Authorized by the Animal
 4 Disease Laboratories Act 43,300
 5 Payable from the Agriculture Federal Projects Fund:
 6 For Expenses of Various Federal Projects,
 7 including prior years' costs 162,300

8 Section 100. The following named amounts, or so much
 9 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 10 the Department of Agriculture for:

11 MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION

12 Payable from the General Revenue Fund:
 13 For Personal Services..... 5,096,300
 14 For State Contributions to
 15 Social Security..... 389,900
 16 For Contractual Services..... 572,000
 17 For Travel..... 93,600
 18 For Commodities..... 8,400
 19 For Printing..... 0
 20 For Equipment..... 11,500
 21 For Telecommunication Services..... 46,300
 22 For Operation of Auto Equipment..... 109,200
 23 Total \$6,327,200

24 Payable from Wholesome Meat Fund:
 25 For Personal Services..... 5,333,300

1	For State Contributions to State	
2	Employees' Retirement System.....	2,317,600
3	For State Contributions to	
4	Social Security.....	408,000
5	For Group Insurance.....	2,059,200
6	For Contractual Services.....	630,300
7	For Travel.....	219,600
8	For Commodities.....	36,100
9	For Printing.....	2,800
10	For Equipment.....	574,400
11	For Telecommunication Services.....	53,600
12	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	<u>130,200</u>
13	Total	\$11,765,100

14 Section 105. The amount of \$660,000, or so much thereof as
 15 may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
 16 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for all costs associated
 17 with the Crop Insurance Rebate Initiative.

18 Section 110. The following named sums, or so much thereof
 19 as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
 20 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
 21 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
 22 Agriculture for:

23 LAND AND WATER RESOURCES

24 Payable from the Agricultural Premium Fund:

1	For Personal Services.....	1,040,000
2	For State Contributions to State	
3	Employee's Retirement System.....	452,000
4	For State Contributions to	
5	Social Security.....	79,600
6	For Contractual Services.....	183,900
7	For Travel.....	64,900
8	For Commodities.....	9,800
9	For Printing.....	4,500
10	For Equipment.....	14,200
11	For Telecommunication Services.....	26,000
12	For Operation of Automotive Equipment.....	<u>22,300</u>
13	Total	\$1,897,200
14	Payable from the Partners for Conservation Fund:	
15	For Personal Services.....	975,000
16	For State Contributions to State	
17	Employees' Retirement System.....	423,700
18	For State Contributions to	
19	Social Security.....	75,000
20	For Group Insurance.....	320,000
21	For Expenses Relating to	
22	Soil Health Assessments.....	<u>275,000</u>
23	Total	\$2,068,700

24 Section 115. The sum of \$3,000,000, or so much thereof as
25 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of

1 Agriculture from the Partners for Conservation Fund for grants
 2 to Soil and Water Conservation Districts to fund projects for
 3 landowner cost sharing, streambank stabilization, nutrient
 4 loss protection and sustainable agriculture.

5 Section 120. The sum of \$4,500,000, or so much thereof as
 6 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
 7 Agriculture from the Partners for Conservation Fund for grants
 8 to Soil and Water Conservation Districts for ordinary and
 9 contingent administrative expenses.

10 Section 125. The amount of \$34,000,000, or so much thereof
 11 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Agriculture
 12 Federal Projects Fund to the Department of Agriculture for
 13 expenses relating to various federal projects, including prior
 14 years' costs.

15 Section 130. The following named amounts, or so much
 16 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 17 the Department of Agriculture for:

18 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

19 Payable from the General Revenue Fund:

20 For Administration of the Livestock
 21 Management Facilities Act1,163,900
 22 For the Detection, Eradication, and
 23 Control of Exotic Pests, such as

1	the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and	
2	Spongy Moth.....	<u>885,100</u>
3	Total	\$2,049,000
4	Payable from the Used Tire Management Fund:	
5	For Mosquito Control.....	50,000
6	Payable from Livestock Management Facilities Fund:	
7	For Administration of the Livestock	
8	Management Facilities Act	56,200
9	Payable from Pesticide Control Fund:	
10	For Administration and Enforcement	
11	of the Illinois Pesticide Act	9,100,000
12	Payable from Agriculture Pesticide Control Act Fund:	
13	For Expenses of Pesticide Enforcement Program,	
14	including prior years' costs	900,000
15	Payable from the Agriculture Federal Projects Fund:	
16	For Expenses of Various Federal Projects,	
17	including prior years' costs	1,000,000

18 Section 135. The following named sums, or so much thereof
 19 as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and
 20 purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the
 21 ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of
 22 Agriculture for:

23 ILLINOIS STATE FAIR

24	Payable from Agricultural Premium Fund:	
25	For Personal Services.....	1,105,000

1	For State Contributions to State	
2	Employee's Retirement System.....	480,200
3	For State Contributions to	
4	Social Security.....	84,500
5	For Awards to Livestock Breeders	
6	and Related Expenses	<u>230,000</u>
7	Total	\$1,899,700
8	Payable from the Illinois State Fair Fund:	
9	For Operations of the Illinois State Fair	
10	Including Entertainment and the Percentage	
11	Portion of Entertainment Contracts	9,025,300
12	For Awards and Premiums at the Illinois	
13	State Fair and related expenses	562,500
14	For Awards and Premiums for Horse Racing	
15	at the Illinois State Fairgrounds	
16	and related expenses	<u>193,300</u>
17	Total	\$9,781,000

18 Section 140. The sum of \$1,622,400, or so much thereof as
 19 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Illinois State Fair
 20 Fund to the Department of Agriculture to promote and conduct
 21 activities at the Illinois State Fairgrounds other than the
 22 Illinois State Fair, including administrative expenses. No
 23 expenditures from the appropriation shall be authorized until
 24 revenues from fairground uses sufficient to offset such
 25 expenditures have been collected and deposited into the

1 Illinois State Fair Fund.

2 Section 145. The sum of \$2,900,000, or so much thereof as
3 may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
4 Agriculture from the Illinois State Fair Fund for Operations
5 of the Illinois State Fair, Including Entertainment and the
6 Percentage Portion of Entertainment Contracts.

7 Section 150. The sum of \$884,000, or so much thereof as may
8 be necessary, is appropriated from the Tourism Promotion Fund
9 to the Department of Agriculture for costs and operational
10 expenses associated with the Illinois State Fair and
11 fairgrounds, not including personal services.

12 Section 155. The sum of \$208,000, or so much thereof as may
13 be necessary, is appropriated from the State Fairgrounds
14 Capital Improvements and Harness Racing Fund to support the
15 Department of Agriculture to provide support for harness race
16 meetings, to repair and rehabilitate backstretch facilities at
17 the Illinois State Fairgrounds and Du Quoin State Fairgrounds,
18 and to repair and rehabilitate the capital infrastructure of
19 the Illinois State Fairgrounds and Du Quoin State Fairgrounds.

20 Section 160. The following named amounts, or so much
21 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
22 the Department of Agriculture for:

DU QUOIN BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Personal Services.....	1,100,000
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	80,700
For ordinary and contingent expenses	
related to the buildings and grounds	
at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds	<u>754,000</u>
Total	\$1,934,700

Payable from Illinois State Fair Fund:

For operational expenses at the Illinois	
State Fairgrounds at Du Quoin other	
than the Illinois State Fair	
including administrative expenses	513,800

Section 165. The sum of \$1,040,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Tourism Promotion Fund to the Department of Agriculture for costs and operational expenses associated with the Du Quoin Illinois State Fairs and fairgrounds, not including personal services.

Section 170. The sum of \$7,176,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Agriculture for ordinary and contingent expenses, including facilities management at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield.

1 Section 175. 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 for:

6 SPRINGFIELD BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

7 Payable from Agricultural Premium Fund:

8 For Personal Services.....2,950,000

9 For State Contributions to State

10 Employee's Retirement System.....1,282,000

11 For State Contributions to

12 Social Security.....225,400

13 For Operations of Buildings and

14 Grounds in Springfield, including

15 prior years' costs.....2,743,600

16 For repairs, maintenance, and capital improvements

17 Including construction, reconstruction, improvement,

18 Repair and installation of capital facilities, costs of

19 Planning, supplies, materials, equipment, personal

20 services and related costs, services and all other

21 expenses required to complete the work for

22 Permanent Improvements at the Illinois State

23 Fairgrounds.....2,190,300

24 Payable from the Tourism Promotion Fund:

25 For Operations of Buildings and

1 Section 185. The sum of \$838,300, 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 COUNTY FAIRS AND HORSE RACING

14 Payable from the Agricultural Premium Fund:

15	For Personal Services.....	118,100
16	For State Contributions to State	
17	Employees' Retirement System.....	51,400
18	For State Contributions to	
19	Social Security.....	9,100
20	For Contractual Services.....	14,200
21	For Travel.....	3,000
22	For Commodities.....	1,100
23	For Printing.....	500
24	For Equipment.....	160,000
25	For Telecommunication Services.....	1,600

1	For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	1,000
2	For premiums to agricultural extension	
3	or 4-H clubs to be distributed at a	
4	uniform rate.....	850,700
5	For premiums to vocational	
6	agriculture fairs.....	351,600
7	For grants and other purposes for county	
8	fair and state fair horse racing	356,200
9	For distribution to encourage and aid county fairs	
10	and other agricultural societies. This distribution	
11	shall be prorated and approved by the	
12	Department of Agriculture	1,967,100
13	For rehabilitation of county fairgrounds.....	<u>1,421,600</u>
14	Total	\$5,307,200
15	Payable from the Fair and Exposition Fund:	
16	For distribution to county fairs and	
17	fair and exposition authorities	1,038,400
18	Payable from the Quarter Horse Breeders Fund:	
19	For promotion of the Illinois horse	
20	racing and breeding industry	31,200

21 Section 195. The following named amounts, or so much
 22 thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the
 23 Department of Agriculture for the objects and purposes
 24 hereinafter named:

25 HORSE RACING

1 Payable from the Illinois Standardbred
 2 Breeders Fund:
 3 For Operational Expenses..... 400,000
 4 For grants and other purposes for
 5 horse racing..... 1,600,000
 6 Payable from the Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders Fund:
 7 For Operational Expenses..... 500,000
 8 For grants and other purposes for
 9 horse racing..... 2,600,000

10 Section 200. The sum of \$1,915,300, or so much thereof as
 11 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Fertilizer Control
 12 Fund to the Department of Agriculture for expenses relating to
 13 agricultural products inspection.

14 Section 205. The sum of \$2,820,800, or so much thereof as
 15 may be necessary, is appropriated from the Feed Control Fund
 16 to the Department of Agriculture for Feed Control.

17 Section 210. The following named amounts, or so much
 18 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to
 19 the Department of Agriculture for:

20 EGG INSPECTION

21 Payable from Agricultural Master Fund:
 22 For Expenses Relating to Inspection of
 23 Agricultural Products..... 1,480,000

1 Section 215. The sum of \$2,000,000, or so much thereof as
2 may be necessary, is appropriated from the State Facility
3 Repair and Maintenance Fund to the Department of Agriculture
4 for repairs, maintenance, and other permanent improvements.

5 Section 220. No contract shall be entered into or
6 obligation incurred or any expenditure made from any
7 appropriation herein made in Section 215 of this Article until
8 after the purpose and amounts have been approved in writing by
9 the Governor.

10 Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
11 2026.