

AMENDMENTS TO LB1413

Introduced by Appropriations.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 Section 1. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$7,000,000 from the
4 Nebraska Education Improvement Fund to the Education Future Fund on or
5 before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
6 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
7 Administrative Services.

8 Sec. 2. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$5,000,000 from the
9 Nebraska Education Improvement Fund to the Education Future Fund on or
10 before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
11 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
12 Administrative Services.

13 Sec. 3. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$500,000 from the
14 Professional Practices Commission Fund to the Education Future Fund on or
15 before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
16 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
17 Administrative Services.

18 Sec. 4. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$3,000,000 from the
19 Records Management Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before June 30,
20 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
21 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
22 Services.

23 Sec. 5. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$2,500,000 from the
24 Employment Security Special Contingent Fund to the General Fund on or
25 before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
26 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
27 Administrative Services.

1 Sec. 6. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$2,500,000 from the
2 Employment Security Special Contingent Fund to the General Fund on or
3 before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
4 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
5 Administrative Services.

6 Sec. 7. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$20,000,000 from the
7 Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment
8 Fund on or before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as
9 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
10 Department of Administrative Services.

11 Sec. 8. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$5,000,000 from the
12 Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Middle Income Workforce Housing
13 Investment Fund on or before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such
14 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
15 the Department of Administrative Services.

16 Sec. 9. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$4,000,000 from the
17 Civic and Community Center Financing Fund to the General Fund on or
18 before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
19 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
20 Administrative Services.

21 Sec. 10. The State Treasurer shall transfer the remaining
22 unexpended balance of the Job Training Cash Fund to the General Fund on
23 or before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by
24 the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
25 Administrative Services.

26 Sec. 11. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$9,000,000 from the
27 Site and Building Development Fund to the General Fund on or before June
28 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
29 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
30 Services.

31 Sec. 12. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$1,166,542 from the

1 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before
2 June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
3 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
4 Administrative Services.

5 Sec. 13. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$526,716 from the
6 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before
7 June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
8 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
9 Administrative Services.

10 Sec. 14. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$6,500,000 from the
11 Water Recreation Enhancement Fund to the General Fund on or before June
12 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
13 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
14 Services.

15 Sec. 15. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$4,000,000 from the
16 Department of Revenue Enforcement Fund to the General Fund on or before
17 June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
18 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
19 Administrative Services.

20 Sec. 16. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$1,000,000 from the
21 Department of Revenue Enforcement Fund to the General Fund on or before
22 June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
23 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
24 Administrative Services.

25 Sec. 17. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$7,000,000 from the
26 Charitable Gaming Operations Fund to the General Fund on or before June
27 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
28 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
29 Services.

30 Sec. 18. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$1,500,000 from the
31 Charitable Gaming Operations Fund to the General Fund on or before June

1 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
2 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
3 Services.

4 Sec. 19. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$7,000,000 from the
5 Professional and Occupational Credentialing Cash Fund to the General Fund
6 on or before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed
7 by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
8 Administrative Services.

9 Sec. 20. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$11,000,000 from the
10 Behavioral Health Services Fund to the General Fund on or before June 30,
11 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
12 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
13 Services.

14 Sec. 21. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$4,000,000 from the
15 Behavioral Health Services Fund to the General Fund on or before June 30,
16 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
17 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
18 Services.

19 Sec. 22. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$14,750,000 from the
20 Health and Human Services Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before June
21 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
22 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
23 Services.

24 Sec. 23. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$1,750,000 from the
25 Health and Human Services Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before June
26 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
27 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
28 Services.

29 Sec. 24. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$1,000,000 from the
30 Contractor and Professional Employer Organization Registration Cash Fund
31 to the General Fund on or before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such

1 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
2 the Department of Administrative Services.

3 Sec. 25. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$1,000,000 from the
4 Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before
5 June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
6 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
7 Administrative Services.

8 Sec. 26. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$70,000,000 from the
9 State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund to the General Fund on or before
10 June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
11 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
12 Administrative Services.

13 Sec. 27. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$5,000,000 from the
14 State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund to the General Fund on or after
15 October 1, 2024, but before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such
16 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
17 the Department of Administrative Services.

18 Sec. 28. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$50,000,000 from the
19 Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund to the Roads Operations
20 Cash Fund on or before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts
21 as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
22 Department of Administrative Services.

23 Sec. 29. The Commission on African American Affairs Cash Fund is
24 hereby created. The fund shall be administered by the Commission on
25 African American Affairs. The fund shall consist of money from contracts,
26 fees, gifts, grants, or bequests from nonfederal sources received by the
27 state and any investment income earned on the fund. The fund may be used
28 to support the commission's operations pursuant to sections 81-2601 to
29 81-2607. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
30 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
31 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

1 Sec. 30. The Museum Construction and Maintenance Fund is hereby
2 created. The fund shall consist of transfers at the direction of the
3 Legislature and any gifts, bequests, or other contributions to such fund
4 from public or private entities. The Game and Parks Commission shall
5 administer the fund. The fund shall be used to provide grants to a
6 federally recognized Indian tribe for the purposes of construction of a
7 museum and visitor center honoring Chief Standing Bear, including visitor
8 center development, exhibit fabrication, and historical interpretation,
9 and for any administrative costs related to the grants. Any money in the
10 fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
11 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
12 State Funds Investment Act. Investment earnings shall be credited to the
13 fund.

14 Sec. 31. Section 37-1804, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
15 amended to read:

16 37-1804 (1) The Water Recreation Enhancement Fund is created. The
17 fund shall be administered by the Game and Parks Commission. The State
18 Treasurer shall credit to the fund any money transferred to the fund by
19 the Legislature and such donations, gifts, bequests, or other money
20 received from any federal or state agency or public or private source.
21 Except as otherwise provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section,
22 the fund shall be used for water and recreational projects pursuant to
23 the Water Recreation Enhancement Act. Transfers may be made from the fund
24 to the General Fund at the direction of the Legislature. Any money in the
25 Water Recreation Enhancement Fund fund available for investment shall be
26 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
27 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. Any investment
28 earnings from investment of money in the fund shall be credited to the
29 fund.

30 (2) For any amount credited to the fund from a source other than a
31 transfer authorized by the Legislature, the State Treasurer shall

1 transfer an equal amount from the Water Recreation Enhancement Fund to
2 the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund at the end of the
3 fiscal year in which such funds were credited, on such dates as directed
4 by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
5 Administrative Services to be used pursuant to section 61-405.

6 (3) Transfers may be made from the investment earnings in the Water
7 Recreation Enhancement Fund to the Panhandle Improvement Project Cash
8 Fund at the direction of the Legislature. The State Treasurer shall
9 transfer one million dollars on July 1, 2023, or as soon thereafter as
10 administratively possible, from the Water Recreation Enhancement Fund to
11 the Panhandle Improvement Project Cash Fund.

12 Sec. 32. Section 48-621, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
13 amended to read:

14 48-621 (1) The administrative fund shall consist of the Employment
15 Security Administration Fund and the Employment Security Special
16 Contingent Fund. Each fund shall be maintained as a separate and distinct
17 account in all respects, as follows:

18 (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury a special fund to
19 be known as the Employment Security Administration Fund. All money
20 credited to this fund is hereby appropriated and made available to the
21 Commissioner of Labor. All money in this fund shall be expended solely
22 for the purposes and in the amounts found necessary as defined by the
23 specific federal programs, state statutes, and contract obligations for
24 the proper and efficient administration of all programs of the Department
25 of Labor. The fund shall consist of all money appropriated by this state
26 and all money received from the United States of America or any agency
27 thereof, including the Department of Labor and the Railroad Retirement
28 Board, or from any other source for such purpose. Money received from any
29 agency of the United States or any other state as compensation for
30 services or facilities supplied to such agency, any amounts received
31 pursuant to any surety bond or insurance policy for losses sustained by

1 the Employment Security Administration Fund or by reason of damage to
2 equipment or supplies purchased from money in such fund, and any proceeds
3 realized from the sale or disposition of any equipment or supplies which
4 may no longer be necessary for the proper administration of such programs
5 shall also be credited to this fund. All money in the Employment Security
6 Administration Fund shall be deposited, administered, and disbursed in
7 the same manner and under the same conditions and requirements as
8 provided by law for other special funds in the state treasury. Any
9 balances in this fund, except balances of money therein appropriated from
10 the General Fund of this state, shall not lapse at any time. Fund
11 balances shall be continuously available to the commissioner for
12 expenditure consistent with the Employment Security Law. Any money in the
13 Employment Security Administration Fund available for investment shall be
14 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
15 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act; and

16 (b) There is hereby created in the state treasury a special fund to
17 be known as the Employment Security Special Contingent Fund. Transfers
18 may be made from the fund to the General Fund at the direction of the
19 Legislature. Any money in the Employment Security Special Contingent Fund
20 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
21 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
22 State Funds Investment Act. All money collected under section 48-655 as
23 interest on delinquent contributions, less refunds, shall be credited to
24 this fund from the clearing account of the Unemployment Compensation Fund
25 at the end of each calendar quarter. Such money shall not be expended or
26 available for expenditure in any manner to permit substitution for, or a
27 corresponding reduction in, federal funds which, in the absence of such
28 money, would be available to finance expenditures for the administration
29 of the unemployment insurance law. However, nothing in this section shall
30 prevent the money in the Employment Security Special Contingent Fund from
31 being used as a revolving fund to cover necessary and proper expenditures

1 under the law for which federal, state, or contractual funds are owed but
2 have not yet been received. Upon receipt of such funds, covered
3 expenditures shall be charged against such funds. Money in the Employment
4 Security Special Contingent Fund may only be used by the Commissioner of
5 Labor as follows:

6 (i) To replace within a reasonable time any money received by this
7 state pursuant to section 302 of the federal Social Security Act, as
8 amended, and required to be paid under section 48-622;

9 (ii) To meet special extraordinary and contingent expenses which are
10 deemed essential for good administration but which are not provided in
11 grants from the Secretary of Labor of the United States. No expenditures
12 shall be made from this fund for this purpose except on written
13 authorization by the Governor at the request of the Commissioner of
14 Labor; and

15 (iii) To be transferred to the Job Training Cash Fund.

16 (2)(a) Money credited to the account of this state in the
17 Unemployment Trust Fund by the United States Secretary of the Treasury
18 pursuant to section 903 of the Social Security Act may not be
19 requisitioned from this state's account or used except:

20 (i) For the payment of benefits pursuant to section 48-619; and

21 (ii) For the payment of expenses incurred for the administration of
22 the Employment Security Law and public employment offices. Money
23 requisitioned or used for this purpose must be pursuant to a specific
24 appropriation by the Legislature. Any such appropriation law shall
25 specify the amount and purposes for which the money is appropriated and
26 must be enacted before expenses may be incurred and money may be
27 requisitioned. Such appropriation is subject to the following conditions:

28 (A) Money may be obligated for a limited period ending not more than
29 two years after the effective date of the appropriation law; and

30 (B) An obligated amount shall not exceed the aggregate amounts
31 transferred to the account of this state pursuant to section 903 of the

1 Social Security Act less the aggregate of amounts used by this state
2 pursuant to the Employment Security Law and amounts charged against the
3 amounts transferred to the account of this state.

4 (b) For purposes of subdivision (2)(a)(ii)(B) of this section,
5 amounts appropriated for administrative purposes shall be charged against
6 transferred amounts when the obligation is entered into.

7 (c) The appropriation, obligation, and expenditure or other
8 disposition of money appropriated under this subsection shall be
9 accounted for in accordance with standards established by the United
10 States Secretary of Labor.

11 (d) Money appropriated as provided in this subsection for the
12 payment of administration expenses shall be requisitioned as needed for
13 the payment of obligations incurred under such appropriation. Upon
14 requisition, administration expenses shall be credited to the Employment
15 Security Administration Fund from which such payments shall be made.
16 Money so credited shall, until expended, remain a part of the Employment
17 Security Administration Fund. If not immediately expended, credited money
18 shall be returned promptly to the account of this state in the
19 Unemployment Trust Fund.

20 (e) Notwithstanding subdivision (2)(a) of this section, money
21 credited with respect to federal fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001 shall
22 be used solely for the administration of the unemployment compensation
23 program and are not subject to appropriation by the Legislature.

24 Sec. 33. Section 48-622.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
25 amended to read:

26 48-622.01 (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury a
27 special fund to be known as the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund.
28 All state unemployment insurance tax collected under sections 48-648 to
29 48-661, less refunds, shall be paid into the fund. Transfers may be made
30 from the fund to the General Fund at the direction of the Legislature.

31 Such money shall be held in trust for payment of unemployment insurance

1 benefits. Any money in the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund fund
2 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
3 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
4 State Funds Investment Act, except that interest earned on money in the
5 fund shall be credited to the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund at
6 the end of each calendar quarter.

7 (2) The commissioner shall have the authority to determine when and
8 in what amounts withdrawals from the State Unemployment Insurance Trust
9 Fund for payment of benefits are necessary. Amounts withdrawn for payment
10 of benefits shall be immediately forwarded to the Secretary of the
11 Treasury of the United States of America to the credit of the state's
12 account in the Unemployment Trust Fund, any provision of law in this
13 state relating to the deposit, administration, release, or disbursement
14 of money in the possession or custody of this state to the contrary
15 notwithstanding.

16 (3) If and when the state unemployment insurance tax ceases to exist
17 as determined by the Governor, all money then in the State Unemployment
18 Insurance Trust Fund less accrued interest shall be immediately
19 transferred to the credit of the state's account in the Unemployment
20 Trust Fund, any provision of law in this state relating to the deposit,
21 administration, release, or disbursement of money in the possession or
22 custody of this state to the contrary notwithstanding. The determination
23 to eliminate the state unemployment insurance tax shall be based on the
24 solvency of the state's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund and the
25 need for training of Nebraska workers. Accrued interest in the State
26 Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund shall be credited to the Nebraska
27 Training and Support Cash Fund.

28 Sec. 34. Section 48-622.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
29 amended to read:

30 48-622.02 (1) The Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund is
31 created. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested

1 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
2 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. No
3 expenditures shall be made from the Nebraska Training and Support Cash
4 Fund without the written authorization of the Governor upon the
5 recommendation of the commissioner. Transfers may be made from the fund
6 to the General Fund at the direction of the Legislature. Any interest
7 earned on money in the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund shall be
8 credited to the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund.

9 (2) Money in the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund shall be
10 used for (a) administrative costs of establishing, assessing, collecting,
11 and maintaining state unemployment insurance tax liability and payments,
12 (b) administrative costs of creating, operating, maintaining, and
13 dissolving the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and the Nebraska
14 Training and Support Cash Fund, (c) support of public and private job
15 training programs designed to train, retrain, or upgrade work skills of
16 existing Nebraska workers of for-profit and not-for-profit businesses,
17 (d) recruitment of workers to Nebraska, (e) training new employees of
18 expanding Nebraska businesses, (f) retention of existing employees of
19 Nebraska businesses, (g) the costs of creating a common web portal for
20 the attraction of businesses and workers to Nebraska, (h) developing and
21 conducting labor availability and skills gap studies pursuant to the
22 Sector Partnership Program Act, for which money may be transferred to the
23 Sector Partnership Program Fund as directed by the Legislature, and (i)
24 payment of unemployment insurance benefits if solvency of the state's
25 account in the Unemployment Trust Fund and of the State Unemployment
26 Insurance Trust Fund so require.

27 (3) The Administrative Costs Reserve Account is created within the
28 Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund. Money shall be allocated from
29 the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund to the Administrative Costs
30 Reserve Account in amounts sufficient to pay the anticipated
31 administrative costs identified in subsection (2) of this section.

1 (4) The State Treasurer shall transfer two hundred fifty thousand
2 dollars from the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund to the Sector
3 Partnership Program Fund no later than July 15, 2016.

4 Sec. 35. Section 55-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
5 2022, is amended to read:

6 55-901 (1) The Military Installation Base Development and Support
7 Fund is created. The fund shall be used to contribute to construction,
8 development, or support ~~for~~ on any military installation base, located in
9 Nebraska, for purposes of improving mission retention and recruitment;
10 supporting the morale, health, and mental wellness of military members
11 and families; and growing the economic impact of military installations
12 ~~bases~~ in Nebraska. The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall administer
13 the fund. The fund shall consist of transfers authorized by the
14 Legislature and any gifts, grants, or bequests from any source, including
15 federal, state, public, and private sources, for such purposes. Any money
16 in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
17 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
18 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

19 (2) The fund may be used for any project that directly supports any
20 military installation projects on military bases located in Nebraska, ~~and~~
21 ~~including, but not limited to:~~

- 22 ~~(a) An outdoor airman amenity pavilion;~~
- 23 ~~(b) Track and field stadium improvements;~~
- 24 ~~(c) A parade-ground walking trail;~~
- 25 ~~(d) Improvements at Willow Lakes Golf Course;~~
- 26 ~~(e) Base Lake improvements;~~
- 27 ~~(f) Landscape enhancements;~~
- 28 ~~(g) Deterrence Park;~~
- 29 ~~(h) Looking Glass Heritage Park;~~
- 30 ~~(i) Quarters 13 comprehensive repairs, design, and construction; and~~
- 31 ~~(j) B1000 Rooftop Garden.~~

1 (3) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall require a match of
2 public or private funding in an amount equal to or greater than one-half
3 of the total cost of any project described ~~listed~~ in subsection (2) of
4 this section prior to authorizing an expenditure from the fund.

5 (4) For purposes of this section, military installation means a
6 base, camp, post, station, yard, center, armory, or other activity under
7 the jurisdiction of the United States Department of Defense or the
8 Nebraska Military Department.

9 Sec. 36. Section 58-703, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
10 amended to read:

11 58-703 The Affordable Housing Trust Fund is created. The fund shall
12 receive money pursuant to section 76-903 and may include revenue from
13 sources recommended by the housing advisory committee established in
14 section 58-704, appropriations from the Legislature, transfers authorized
15 by the Legislature, grants, private contributions, repayment of loans,
16 and all other sources. The Department of Economic Development as part of
17 its comprehensive housing affordability strategy shall administer the
18 Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

19 Transfers may be made from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the
20 General Fund, the Behavioral Health Services Fund, the Lead-Based Paint
21 Hazard Control Cash Fund, the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment
22 Fund, the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund, and the Site and
23 Building Development Fund at the direction of the Legislature.

24 ~~The State Treasurer shall transfer fifty-eight thousand one hundred~~
25 ~~eighty-eight dollars from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the~~
26 ~~General Fund on or before September 15, 2019, on such date as directed by~~
27 ~~the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of~~
28 ~~Administrative Services.~~

29 Sec. 37. Section 59-1608.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
30 is amended to read:

31 59-1608.04 (1) The State Settlement Cash Fund is created. The fund

1 shall be maintained by the Department of Justice and administered by the
2 Attorney General. Except as otherwise provided by law, the fund shall
3 consist of all recoveries received pursuant to the Consumer Protection
4 Act, including any money, funds, securities, or other things of value in
5 the nature of civil damages or other payment, except criminal penalties,
6 whether such recovery is by way of verdict, judgment, compromise, or
7 settlement in or out of court, or other final disposition of any case or
8 controversy, or any other payments received on behalf of the state by the
9 Department of Justice and administered by the Attorney General for the
10 benefit of the state or the general welfare of its citizens, but
11 excluding all funds held in a trust capacity where specific benefits
12 accrue to specific individuals, organizations, or governments. The fund
13 may be expended for any allowable legal purposes as determined by the
14 Attorney General. Transfers from the State Settlement Cash Fund may be
15 made at the direction of the Legislature to the Nebraska Capital
16 Construction Fund, the Legal Education for Public Service and Rural
17 Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Fund, the Nebraska State Patrol Cash
18 Fund, and the General Fund. To provide necessary financial accountability
19 and management oversight, revenue from individual settlement agreements
20 or other separate sources credited to the State Settlement Cash Fund may
21 be tracked and accounted for within the state accounting system through
22 the use of separate and distinct funds, subfunds, or any other available
23 accounting mechanism specifically approved by the Accounting
24 Administrator for use by the Department of Justice. Any money in the fund
25 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
26 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
27 State Funds Investment Act.

28 (2) The State Treasurer shall transfer two million five hundred
29 thousand dollars from the State Settlement Cash Fund to the Nebraska
30 Capital Construction Fund on July 1, 2013, or as soon thereafter as
31 administratively possible.

1 (3) The State Treasurer shall transfer eight hundred seventy-six
2 thousand nine hundred ninety-eight dollars from the State Settlement Cash
3 Fund to the General Fund on or before June 30, 2018, on such dates and in
4 such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget
5 division of the Department of Administrative Services.

6 (4) The State Treasurer shall transfer one million seven hundred
7 fifty-six thousand six hundred thirty-nine dollars from the State
8 Settlement Cash Fund to the General Fund on or before June 30, 2019, on
9 such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of
10 the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

11 (5) The State Treasurer shall transfer one hundred twenty-five
12 thousand dollars from the State Settlement Cash Fund to the Legal
13 Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance
14 Fund on or before April 30, 2018, on such dates and in such amounts as
15 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
16 Department of Administrative Services.

17 (6) The State Treasurer shall transfer one hundred fifty thousand
18 dollars from the State Settlement Cash Fund to the Legal Education for
19 Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Fund on or
20 before July 9, 2018, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
21 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
22 Administrative Services.

23 Sec. 38. Section 61-405, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
24 2022, is amended to read:

25 61-405 (1) The Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund is
26 created. The fund shall be administered by the Department of Natural
27 Resources. The State Treasurer shall credit to the fund any money
28 transferred to the fund by the Legislature and such donations, gifts,
29 bequests, or other money received from any federal or state agency or
30 public or private source. The fund shall be used for water and
31 recreational projects pursuant to the Jobs and Economic Development

1 Initiative Act. Transfers may be made from the fund to the Cash Reserve
2 Fund or the Roads Operations Cash Fund at the direction of the
3 Legislature. Any money in the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative
4 Fund fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
5 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
6 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. Any investment earnings from
7 investment of money in the fund shall be credited to the fund.

8 (2) An amount, not to exceed twenty million dollars, shall be
9 available for site selection costs, feasibility and public water supply
10 studies, and flood mitigation costs of the Department of Natural
11 Resources related to any projects pursuant to the Jobs and Economic
12 Development Initiative Act. The Department of Natural Resources shall, in
13 cooperation with impacted communities, including, but not limited to, any
14 city of the primary class and metropolitan utilities district, contract
15 with an independent consultant to conduct a study on the consequences of
16 any lake located in the Lower Platte River Basin to the public water
17 supply of such communities. Such study shall consider all aspects of
18 water quality, water quantity, and water infrastructure, and any other
19 issues necessary to protect the public water supply, including the impact
20 to future water supply opportunities to the impacted communities.

21 (3) No funds shall be expended for any project, other than those
22 enumerated in subsection (2) of this section, from the Jobs and Economic
23 Development Initiative Fund unless the Director of Natural Resources
24 certifies to the budget administrator of the budget division of the
25 Department of Administrative Services that the Department of Natural
26 Resources has conducted any environmental, hydrological, or other
27 feasibility studies the director deems necessary to establish the
28 feasibility of any projects pursuant to the Jobs and Economic Development
29 Initiative Act and that, based on the results of such studies, the
30 director has deemed the projects feasible.

31 Sec. 39. Section 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

1 2022, is amended to read:

2 68-996 (1) The Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund is created.
3 The fund shall contain money returned to the State Treasurer pursuant to
4 subdivision (3) of section 68-995.

5 (2) The fund shall first be used to offset any losses under
6 subdivision (2) of section 68-995 and then to provide for services
7 addressing the health needs of adults and children under the Medical
8 Assistance Act, including filling service gaps, providing system
9 improvements, providing evidence-based early intervention home visitation
10 programs, and providing other services sustaining access to care as
11 determined by the Legislature. The fund shall only be used for the
12 purposes described in this section.

13 (3) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
14 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
15 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

16 Sec. 40. Section 71-812, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
17 2022, is amended to read:

18 71-812 (1) The Behavioral Health Services Fund is created. The fund
19 shall be administered by the division and shall contain cash funds
20 appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise received by the department
21 for the provision of behavioral health services from any other public or
22 private source and directed by the Legislature for credit to the fund.
23 Transfers may be made from the fund to the General Fund at the direction
24 of the Legislature.

25 (2) The Behavioral Health Services Fund fund shall be used to
26 encourage and facilitate the statewide development and provision of
27 community-based behavioral health services, including, but not limited
28 to, (a) the provision of grants, loans, and other assistance for such
29 purpose and (b) reimbursement to providers of such services.

30 (3)(a) Money transferred to the fund under section 76-903 shall be
31 used for housing-related assistance for very low-income adults with

1 serious mental illness, except that if the division determines that all
2 housing-related assistance obligations under this subsection have been
3 fully satisfied, the division may distribute any excess, up to twenty
4 percent of such money, to regional behavioral health authorities for
5 acquisition or rehabilitation of housing to assist such persons. The
6 division shall manage and distribute such funds based upon a formula
7 established by the division, in consultation with regional behavioral
8 health authorities and the department, in a manner consistent with and
9 reasonably calculated to promote the purposes of the public behavioral
10 health system enumerated in section 71-803. The division shall contract
11 with each regional behavioral health authority for the provision of such
12 assistance. Each regional behavioral health authority may contract with
13 qualifying public, private, or nonprofit entities for the provision of
14 such assistance.

15 (b) For purposes of this subsection:

16 (i) Adult with serious mental illness means a person eighteen years
17 of age or older who has, or at any time during the immediately preceding
18 twelve months has had, a diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional
19 disorder of sufficient duration to meet diagnostic criteria identified in
20 the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of
21 Mental Disorders and which has resulted in functional impairment that
22 substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life functions.
23 Serious mental illness does not include DSM V codes, substance abuse
24 disorders, or developmental disabilities unless such conditions exist
25 concurrently with a diagnosable serious mental illness;

26 (ii) Housing-related assistance includes rental payments, utility
27 payments, security and utility deposits, landlord risk mitigation
28 payments, and other related costs and payments;

29 (iii) Landlord risk mitigation payment means a payment provided to a
30 landlord who leases or rents property to a very low-income adult with
31 serious mental illness which may be used to pay for excessive damage to

1 the rental property, any lost rent, any legal fees incurred by the
2 landlord in excess of the security deposit, or any other expenses
3 incurred by the landlord as a result of leasing or renting the property
4 to such individual; and

5 (iv) Very low-income means a household income of fifty percent or
6 less of the applicable median family income estimate as established by
7 the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

8 (4) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
9 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
10 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

11 Sec. 41. Section 71-5328, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
12 amended to read:

13 71-5328 (1) For purposes of this section:

14 (a) Department means the Department of Environment and Energy;

15 (b) Metropolitan utilities district means a district created
16 pursuant to section 14-2101; and

17 (c) Qualified labor training organization means any job training
18 service provider headquartered in the State of Nebraska with a
19 demonstrated history of providing workforce training relevant to the
20 skilled labor necessary for the removal and replacement of lead service
21 lines.

22 (2) The Lead Service Line Cash Fund is created. The fund shall be
23 administered by the ~~department~~ Department of Environment and Energy. The
24 fund shall consist of funds transferred by the Legislature. The fund
25 shall be used for grants ~~under subsections (3) and (4) of this section~~ to
26 utilities districts to expedite the replacement of homeowner-owned lead
27 service lines. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be
28 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
29 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

30 (3) The department shall utilize not more than twenty percent of the
31 money in the Lead Service Line Cash Fund for the purpose of providing

1 grants to qualified labor training organizations for the following:

2 (a) Infrastructure expenditures necessary to establish a lead
3 service line training facility or for any expenditures necessary to
4 establish a lead service line training program; or

5 (b) Labor training or any educational programming expenditures
6 necessary to provide the proper trade skills necessary for laborers and
7 plumbers to replace lead service lines.

8 (4) The department shall utilize all remaining money in the Lead
9 Service Line Cash Fund for the purpose of providing grants to
10 metropolitan utilities districts for the following:

11 (a) Removing and replacing lead service lines;

12 (b) Repaying debt incurred for any loan received by the metropolitan
13 utilities district for the purpose of replacing lead service lines,
14 including any loan or loans under the federal Drinking Water State
15 Revolving Fund or any other loan incurred specifically for the purpose of
16 removing lead service lines;

17 (c) Providing information to residents on the benefits of removing
18 lead service lines;

19 (d) Performing necessary construction, assessment, mapping, or any
20 other labor, management, or contracted services required for and
21 associated with removing and replacing lead service lines; or

22 (e) Acquiring any equipment, materials, or supplies necessary to
23 replace lead service lines.

24 (5) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to
25 carry out this section.

26 Sec. 42. Section 71-7611, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
27 amended to read:

28 71-7611 (1) The Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund is created. The State
29 Treasurer shall transfer (a) sixty million three hundred thousand dollars
30 on or before July 15, 2014, (b) sixty million three hundred fifty
31 thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2015, (c) sixty million three

1 hundred fifty thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2016, (d) sixty
2 million seven hundred thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2017, (e)
3 five hundred thousand dollars on or before May 15, 2018, (f) sixty-one
4 million six hundred thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2018, (g)
5 sixty-two million dollars on or before July 15, 2019, (h) sixty-one
6 million four hundred fifty thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2020,
7 (i) sixty-six million two hundred thousand dollars on or before July 15,
8 2022, (j) fifty-six million seven hundred thousand dollars on or before
9 July 15, 2023, (k) fifty-four ~~fifty-six~~ million ~~five hundred thousand~~
10 dollars on or before July 15, 2024, and (l) fifty-four million one
11 hundred fifty ~~fifty-five million four hundred~~ thousand dollars on or
12 before every July 15 thereafter from the Nebraska Medicaid
13 Intergovernmental Trust Fund and the Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Trust
14 Fund to the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund, except that such amount shall
15 be reduced by the amount of the unobligated balance in the Nebraska
16 Health Care Cash Fund at the time the transfer is made. The state
17 investment officer shall advise the State Treasurer on the amounts to be
18 transferred first from the Nebraska Medicaid Intergovernmental Trust Fund
19 until the fund balance is depleted and from the Nebraska Tobacco
20 Settlement Trust Fund thereafter in order to sustain such transfers in
21 perpetuity. The state investment officer shall report electronically to
22 the Legislature on or before October 1 of every even-numbered year on the
23 sustainability of such transfers. The Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund
24 shall also include money received pursuant to section 77-2602. Except as
25 otherwise provided by law, no more than the amounts specified in this
26 subsection may be appropriated or transferred from the Nebraska Health
27 Care Cash Fund in any fiscal year.

28 The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars from the
29 Nebraska Medicaid Intergovernmental Trust Fund to the General Fund on
30 June 28, 2018, and June 28, 2019.

31 Except as otherwise provided in subsections (5) and (6) of this

1 section, it is the intent of the Legislature that no additional programs
2 are funded through the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund until funding for
3 all programs with an appropriation from the fund during FY2012-13 are
4 restored to their FY2012-13 levels.

5 (2) Any money in the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund available for
6 investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to
7 the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds
8 Investment Act.

9 (3) The University of Nebraska and postsecondary educational
10 institutions having colleges of medicine in Nebraska and their affiliated
11 research hospitals in Nebraska, as a condition of receiving any funds
12 appropriated or transferred from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund,
13 shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of sexual
14 orientation.

15 (4) It is the intent of the Legislature that the cost of the staff
16 and operating costs necessary to carry out the changes made by Laws 2018,
17 LB439, and not covered by fees or federal funds shall be funded from the
18 Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund for fiscal years 2018-19 and 2019-20.

19 (5) It is the intent of the Legislature to fund the grants to be
20 awarded pursuant to section 75-1101 with the Nebraska Health Care Cash
21 Fund for FY2019-20 and FY2020-21.

22 (6) The State Treasurer shall transfer fifteen million dollars from
23 the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund on or after July 1, 2022, but before
24 June 30, 2023, to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for
25 the University of Nebraska Medical Center for pancreatic cancer research
26 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Transfers from the Nebraska
27 Health Care Cash Fund in this subsection shall be contingent upon receipt
28 of any matching funds from private or other sources, up to fifteen
29 million dollars, certified by the budget administrator of the budget
30 division of the Department of Administrative Services. Upon receipt of
31 any matching funds certified by the budget administrator, the State

1 Treasurer shall transfer an equal amount of funds to the Board of Regents
2 of the University of Nebraska.

3 Sec. 43. Section 72-819, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
4 amended to read:

5 72-819 (1) The Game and Parks Commission shall award grants to a
6 federally recognized Indian tribe to construct, develop, and manage a
7 museum and visitor center honoring Chief Standing Bear.

8 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate to the Game
9 and Parks Commission for the Chief Standing Bear Museum and visitor
10 center:

11 (a) Not more than fifteen million dollars for fiscal year 2025-26
12 from the Museum Construction and Maintenance Fund investment earnings
13 from the Perkins County Canal Project Fund and credited to the Economic
14 Recovery Contingency Fund as provided in section 61-305 for construction
15 of the museum and visitor center; and

16 (b) Seven hundred fifty thousand dollars for fiscal year 2024-25
17 2025-26 from the Museum Construction and Maintenance Fund investment
18 earnings from the Perkins County Canal Project Fund and credited to the
19 Economic Recovery Contingency Fund as provided in section 61-305 for
20 exhibit fabrication and historical interpretation. ; and

21 ~~(c) Two hundred thousand dollars in fiscal year 2025-26 for~~
22 ~~staffing.~~

23 ~~(3) The Game and Parks Commission may execute a memorandum of~~
24 ~~understanding or contract with the Nebraska State Historical Society for~~
25 ~~purposes of museum and visitor center development, exhibit fabrication,~~
26 ~~and historical interpretation.~~

27 Sec. 44. Section 79-810, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
28 2022, is amended to read:

29 79-810 (1) Certificates and permits shall be issued by the
30 commissioner upon application on forms prescribed and provided by him or
31 her which shall include the applicant's social security number.

1 (2) Each certificate or permit issued by the commissioner shall
2 indicate the area of authorization to teach, provide special services, or
3 administer and any areas of endorsement for which the holder qualifies.
4 During the term of any certificate or permit issued by the commissioner,
5 additional endorsements may be made on the certificate or permit if the
6 holder submits an application, meets the requirements for issuance of the
7 additional endorsements, and pays a nonrefundable fee as set by the
8 commissioner, not to exceed fifty-five dollars.

9 (3) The Certification Fund is created. Any fee received by the
10 department under sections 79-806 to 79-815 shall be remitted to the State
11 Treasurer for credit to the fund. The fund shall be used by the
12 department in paying the costs of certifying educators pursuant to such
13 sections and to carry out subsection (3) of section 79-808. For issuance
14 of a certificate or permit valid in all schools, the nonrefundable fee
15 shall be set by the commissioner, not to exceed seventy-five dollars,
16 except that the commissioner shall designate a portion of the fee, not to
17 exceed seventeen dollars, that shall be credited to the Professional
18 Practices Commission Fund which is created for use by the department to
19 pay for the provisions of sections 79-859 to 79-871. For issuance of a
20 certificate or permit valid only in nonpublic schools, the nonrefundable
21 fee shall be set by the commissioner, not to exceed fifty-five dollars.
22 Transfers may be made from the Professional Practices Commission Fund to
23 the Education Future Fund at the direction of the Legislature. Any money
24 in the Certification Fund or the Professional Practices Commission Fund
25 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
26 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
27 State Funds Investment Act.

28 Sec. 45. Section 79-3501, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
29 amended to read:

30 79-3501 (1) For fiscal years through fiscal year 2023-24, the money
31 available to be used for education pursuant to subdivision (3)(b) of

1 section 9-812 shall be transferred to the Nebraska Education Improvement
2 Fund.

3 (2) For fiscal years 2024-25 through 2028-29, the money available to
4 be used for education pursuant to subdivision (3)(b) of section 9-812
5 shall be transferred as follows:

6 (a) Eight percent to the Behavioral Training Cash Fund;

7 (b) Two percent to the College Pathway Program Cash Fund;

8 (c) Seven percent to the Community College Gap Assistance Program
9 Fund;

10 (d) Ten percent to the Department of Education Innovative Grant
11 Fund;

12 (e) Three percent to fund distance education incentives pursuant to
13 section 79-1337;

14 (f) One percent to the Door to College Scholarship Fund;

15 (g) Eight percent to the Excellence in Teaching Cash Fund;

16 (h) One and one-half percent to the Expanded Learning Opportunity
17 Grant Fund;

18 (i) One and one-half percent to the Mental Health Training Cash
19 Fund; and

20 (j) Fifty-eight percent to the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Fund.

21 (3) For fiscal year 2029-30 and each fiscal year thereafter, the
22 money available to be used for education pursuant to subdivision (3)(b)
23 of section 9-812 shall be transferred as the Legislature may direct.

24 (4)(a) The Nebraska Education Improvement Fund is created. The fund
25 shall consist of money transferred pursuant to subsection (1) of this
26 section and any other funds transferred by the Legislature. Transfers may
27 be made from the fund to the Education Future Fund at the direction of
28 the Legislature. The Nebraska Education Improvement Fund fund shall be
29 allocated, after actual and necessary administrative expenses, as
30 provided in this subsection for fiscal years 2016-17 through 2023-24. A
31 portion of each allocation for fiscal year 2023-24 may be retained by the

1 agency to which the allocation is made or the agency administering the
2 fund to which the allocation is made for actual and necessary expenses
3 incurred by such agency for administration, evaluation, and technical
4 assistance related to the purposes of the allocation, except that no
5 amount of the allocation to the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Fund may be
6 used for such purposes.

7 (b) For fiscal years 2017-18 through 2023-24, an amount equal to ten
8 percent of the revenue received by the Nebraska Education Improvement
9 Fund in the prior fiscal year shall be retained in the fund at all times
10 plus any interest earned during the current fiscal year. The balance of
11 the fund on July 26, 2024, less three percent of the money received for
12 the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023-24, shall be transferred to the
13 Behavioral Training Cash Fund.

14 (c) For fiscal year 2023-24, the Nebraska Education Improvement Fund
15 shall be allocated as follows:

16 (i) One percent of the allocated funds to the Expanded Learning
17 Opportunity Grant Fund to carry out the Expanded Learning Opportunity
18 Grant Program Act;

19 (ii) Seventeen percent of the allocated funds to the Department of
20 Education Innovative Grant Fund to be used for competitive innovation
21 grants pursuant to section 79-1054;

22 (iii) Nine percent of the allocated funds to the Community College
23 Gap Assistance Program Fund to carry out the community college gap
24 assistance program;

25 (iv) Eight percent of the allocated funds to the Excellence in
26 Teaching Cash Fund to carry out the Excellence in Teaching Act;

27 (v) Sixty-two percent of the allocated funds to the Nebraska
28 Opportunity Grant Fund to carry out the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act in
29 conjunction with appropriations from the General Fund; and

30 (vi) Three percent of the allocated funds to fund distance education
31 incentives pursuant to section 79-1337.

1 (d) For fiscal year 2029-30 and each fiscal year thereafter, the
2 Nebraska Education Improvement Fund shall be allocated as the Legislature
3 may direct.

4 (e) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
5 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
6 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

7 (5) A portion of each transfer pursuant to subdivisions (2)(c), (e),
8 (f), (g), (h), and (i) of this section may be retained by the agency
9 administering the fund to which such transfer is made for actual and
10 necessary expenses incurred by such agency for administration,
11 evaluation, and technical assistance related to the purposes of the
12 transfer.

13 (6)(a) On or before September 20, 2022, and on or before each
14 September 20 thereafter, (i) any department or agency receiving a
15 transfer or acting as the administrator for a fund receiving a transfer
16 pursuant to subsection (2) or (4) of this section, (ii) any recipient or
17 subsequent recipient of money from any such fund, and (iii) any service
18 contractor responsible for managing any portion of any such fund or any
19 money disbursed from any such fund on behalf of any entity shall prepare
20 and submit an annual report to the Auditor of Public Accounts in a manner
21 prescribed by the auditor for the immediately preceding July 1 through
22 June 30 fiscal year detailing information regarding the use of such fund
23 or such money.

24 (b) The Auditor of Public Accounts shall annually compile a summary
25 of the annual reports received pursuant to subdivision (6)(a) of this
26 section, any audits related to transfers pursuant to subsection (2) or
27 (4) of this section conducted by the Auditor of Public Accounts, and any
28 findings or recommendations related to such transfers into a consolidated
29 annual report and shall submit such consolidated annual report
30 electronically to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2023, and on or
31 before each January 1 thereafter.

1 (c) For purposes of this subsection, recipient, subsequent
2 recipient, or service contractor means a nonprofit entity that expends
3 funds transferred pursuant to subsection (2) or (4) of this section to
4 carry out a state program or function, but does not include an individual
5 who is a direct beneficiary of such a program or function.

6 (7) On or before December 31, 2027, the Education Committee of the
7 Legislature shall electronically submit recommendations to the Clerk of
8 the Legislature regarding how the money used for education from the State
9 Lottery Operation Trust Fund should be allocated to best advance the
10 educational priorities of the state for the five-year period beginning
11 with fiscal year 2029-30.

12 Sec. 46. Section 81-1201.21, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
13 2022, is amended to read:

14 81-1201.21 (1) There is hereby created the Job Training Cash Fund.
15 The fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Economic
16 Development. Money may be transferred to the fund pursuant to subdivision
17 (1)(b)(iii) of section 48-621 and from the Cash Reserve Fund at the
18 direction of the Legislature. The department shall establish a subaccount
19 for all money transferred from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Job Training
20 Cash Fund on or after July 1, 2005.

21 (2) The money in the Job Training Cash Fund or the subaccount
22 established in subsection (1) of this section shall be used (a) to
23 provide reimbursements for job training activities, including employee
24 assessment, preemployment training, on-the-job training, training
25 equipment costs, and other reasonable costs related to helping industry
26 and business locate or expand in Nebraska, (b) to provide upgrade skills
27 training of the existing labor force necessary to adapt to new technology
28 or the introduction of new product lines, (c) as provided in section
29 79-2308, or (d) as provided in section 48-3405. The department shall give
30 a preference to job training activities carried out in whole or in part
31 within an enterprise zone designated pursuant to the Enterprise Zone Act

1 or an opportunity zone designated pursuant to the federal Tax Cuts and
2 Jobs Act, Public Law 115-97.

3 (3) The department shall establish a subaccount within the fund to
4 provide training grants for training employees and potential employees of
5 businesses that (a) employ twenty-five or fewer employees on the
6 application date, (b) employ, or train for potential employment,
7 residents of rural areas of Nebraska, or (c) are located in or employ, or
8 train for potential employment, residents of high-poverty areas as
9 defined in section 81-1203. The department shall calculate the amount of
10 prior year investment income earnings accruing to the fund and allocate
11 such amount to the subaccount for training grants under this subsection.
12 The subaccount shall also be used as provided in the Teleworker Job
13 Creation Act. The department shall give a preference to training grants
14 for businesses located in whole or in part within an enterprise zone
15 designated pursuant to the Enterprise Zone Act.

16 (4) On April 5, 2018, any funds that were dedicated to carrying out
17 sections 81-1210.01 to 81-1210.03 but were not yet expended shall be
18 transferred to the Intern Nebraska Cash Fund.

19 (5) Transfers may be made from the Job Training Cash Fund to the
20 General Fund at the direction of the Legislature. Any money in the Job
21 Training Cash Fund available for investment shall be invested by the
22 state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act
23 and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

24 Sec. 47. Section 81-12,146, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
25 2022, is amended to read:

26 81-12,146 (1) The Site and Building Development Fund is created. The
27 fund shall receive money pursuant to section 76-903 and may include
28 revenue from transfers by the Legislature, grants, private contributions,
29 repayment of loans, and all other sources. The Department of Economic
30 Development, as part of its comprehensive business development strategy,
31 shall administer the fund. Transfers may be made from the fund to the

1 General Fund at the direction of the Legislature. Any money in the Site
2 and Building Development Fund ~~fund~~ available for investment shall be
3 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
4 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

5 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature to transfer five million
6 dollars from the General Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund
7 for fiscal year 2022-23 and five million dollars from the General Fund to
8 the Site and Building Development Fund for fiscal year 2023-24. Such
9 money shall be placed in a subaccount of the Site and Building
10 Development Fund and earmarked for use to fund large shovel-ready
11 commercial and industrial sites developed under the Municipal Inland Port
12 Authority Act.

13 Sec. 48. Section 81-12,147, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
14 amended to read:

15 81-12,147 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section,
16 the Department of Economic Development shall use the Site and Building
17 Development Fund to finance loans, grants, subsidies, credit
18 enhancements, and other financial assistance for industrial site and
19 building development and for expenses of the department as appropriated
20 by the Legislature for administering the fund. The following activities
21 are eligible for assistance from the fund:

22 (a) Grants or zero-interest loans to villages, cities, or counties
23 to acquire land, infuse infrastructure, or otherwise make large sites and
24 buildings ready for industrial development;

25 (b) Matching funds for new construction, rehabilitation, or
26 acquisition of land and buildings to assist villages, cities, and
27 counties;

28 (c) Technical assistance, design and finance services, and
29 consultation for villages, cities, and counties for the preparation and
30 creation of industrial-ready sites and buildings;

31 (d) Loan guarantees for eligible projects;

1 (e) Projects making industrial-ready sites and buildings more
2 accessible to business and industry;

3 (f) Infrastructure projects necessary for the development of
4 industrial-ready sites and buildings;

5 (g) Projects that mitigate the economic impact of a closure or
6 downsizing of a private-sector entity by making necessary improvements to
7 buildings and infrastructure;

8 (h) Public and private sector initiatives that will improve the
9 military value of military installations by making necessary improvements
10 to buildings and infrastructure, including, but not limited to, a grant
11 for the establishment of the United States Strategic Command Nuclear
12 Command, Control, and Communications public-private-partnership facility;

13 (i) A grant to a city of the second class that is served by two
14 first-class railroads, that is within fifteen miles of two state borders,
15 and that partners with public power utilities for purposes of expanding
16 electrical system capacities and enhancing redundancy and resilience;

17 (j) A grant of two million dollars to a city of the first class
18 located in the third ~~first~~ congressional district if the property
19 previously housed a university or college that is no longer extant and if
20 the improvement and revitalization of the real property is for purposes
21 of supporting the housing, employment, and program needs of youth exiting
22 the foster care system. In addition, the real property may be used for
23 youth exiting juvenile court supervision in an out-of-home placement;

24 (k) Public and private sector initiatives that will improve the
25 value of cities of the second class that have partnered with the United
26 States Department of Defense or its contractors on upgrades to ground-
27 based nuclear deterrence. Such improvements include the construction of
28 electrical, drinking water, and clean water infrastructure; and

29 (l) Identification, evaluation, and development of large commercial
30 and industrial sites and building infrastructure to attract major
31 investment and employment opportunities for advanced manufacturing,

1 processing, trade, technology, aerospace, automotive, clean energy, life
2 science, and other transformational industries in Nebraska by means of
3 the department providing grants to or partnering with political
4 subdivisions, including inland port authorities under the Municipal
5 Inland Port Authority Act, or nonprofit economic development corporations
6 and entering into contracts for consulting, engineering, and development
7 studies to identify, evaluate, and develop large commercial and
8 industrial sites in Nebraska.

9 (2) The Department of Economic Development shall use the subaccount
10 of the Site and Building Development Fund described in subsection (2) of
11 section 81-12,146 to provide financial assistance to any inland port
12 authority created under the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act to help
13 finance large shovel-ready commercial and industrial sites developed
14 under such act.

15 Sec. 49. Section 81-12,157, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
16 2022, is amended to read:

17 81-12,157 (1) The department shall establish a phase one application
18 program to provide grants to small businesses that qualify under the
19 federal grant program for the purposes of planning for an application
20 under the federal grant program. If a small business receives funding
21 under the federal grant program, the department or a nonprofit entity
22 designated by the department may make grants to match up to sixty-five
23 percent of the amount of the federal grant.

24 (2) Planning grants under subsection (1) of this section shall not
25 exceed five thousand dollars per project. Federal award matching grants
26 under this section shall not exceed (a) one hundred fifty thousand
27 dollars for a business receiving a phase one grant under the federal
28 grant program and (b) three hundred thousand dollars for a business
29 receiving a phase two grant under the federal grant program. ~~No business~~
30 ~~shall receive funding for more than one project every two years.~~

31 (3) The department may award up to six million dollars per year for

1 grants under this section.

2 Sec. 50. Section 81-12,221, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
3 amended to read:

4 81-12,221 For purposes of the Shovel-Ready Capital Recovery and
5 Investment Act:

6 (1) Capital project means a construction project to build, expand,
7 or develop a new or existing facility or facilities or restoration work
8 on a facility designated as a National Historic Landmark;

9 (2) Cost, in the context of a capital project, means the cost of
10 land, engineering, architectural planning, contract services,
11 construction, materials, and equipment needed to complete the capital
12 project;

13 (3) COVID-19 means the novel coronavirus identified as SARS-CoV-2,
14 the disease caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 or a virus
15 mutating therefrom, and the health conditions or threats associated with
16 the disease caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 or a virus
17 mutating therefrom;

18 (4) Department means the Department of Economic Development;

19 (5) Qualified nonprofit organization means a tax-exempt organization
20 under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that:

21 (a) Is related to arts, culture, or the humanities, including any
22 organization formed for the purpose of developing and promoting the work
23 of artists and the humanities in various visual and performing forms,
24 such as film, sculpture, dance, painting, horticulture, multimedia,
25 poetry, photography, performing arts, zoology, or botany;

26 (b) Operates a sports complex;

27 (c) Is a postsecondary educational institution in a city of the
28 metropolitan class and partners with an organization hosting a regional
29 or national event for purposes of infrastructure development related to
30 furnishing and equipment for a health sciences education center, enhanced
31 mobility by vacation of a public street, pedestrian safety, and

1 construction of a community athletic complex;~~or~~

2 (d) Is a county agricultural society with facilities located within
3 the boundaries of a city of the primary class; or

4 (e) Operates a multi-function center which provides facilities to
5 the public for at least two of the following uses:

6 (i) As an early childhood learning center;

7 (ii) As a community event center; or

8 (iii) As an indoor and outdoor sports training center;

9 (6) Sports complex means property that:

10 (a) Includes indoor areas, outdoor areas, or both;

11 (b) Is primarily used for competitive sports; and

12 (c) Contains multiple separate sports venues; and

13 (7) Sports venue includes, but is not limited to:

14 (a) A baseball field;

15 (b) A softball field;

16 (c) A soccer field;

17 (d) An outdoor stadium primarily used for competitive sports;

18 (e) An outdoor arena primarily used for competitive sports; and

19 (f) An enclosed, temperature-controlled building primarily used for
20 competitive sports.

21 Sec. 51. Section 81-12,222, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
22 amended to read:

23 81-12,222 (1) Beginning July 1, 2023, through September July 1,
24 2024, a qualified nonprofit organization may apply to the department for
25 a grant under the Shovel-Ready Capital Recovery and Investment Act. The
26 application shall include, but not be limited to, the following
27 information:

28 (a) A description of the qualified nonprofit organization's capital
29 project;

30 (b) The estimated cost of the capital project; and

31 (c) Documentation on the amount of funds for the capital project

1 which have been received or will be received by the qualified nonprofit
2 organization from other sources. Such amount shall be at least equal to
3 the amount of any grant received under the act. The documentation
4 provided under this subdivision does not need to identify the names of
5 any donors.

6 (2) The department shall consider applications in the order in which
7 they are received. If an applicant is a qualified nonprofit organization
8 and otherwise qualifies for funding under the Shovel-Ready Capital
9 Recovery and Investment Act, the department shall, subject to subsection
10 (3) of this section, approve the application and notify the applicant of
11 the approval.

12 (3) The department may approve applications within the limits of
13 available funding. The amount of any grant approved under this section
14 shall be equal to the amount of funds to be supplied by the qualified
15 nonprofit organization from other sources, as documented under
16 subdivision (1)(c) of this section, subject to the following limitations:

17 (a) For any capital project with an estimated cost of less than five
18 hundred thousand dollars, the grant shall not exceed two hundred fifty
19 thousand dollars;

20 (b) For any capital project with an estimated cost of at least five
21 hundred thousand dollars but less than five million dollars, the grant
22 shall not exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars;

23 (c) For any capital project with an estimated cost of at least five
24 million dollars but less than twenty-five million dollars, the grant
25 shall not exceed five million dollars;

26 (d) For any capital project with an estimated cost of at least
27 twenty-five million dollars but less than fifty million dollars, the
28 grant shall not exceed ten million dollars;

29 (e) For any capital project with an estimated cost of at least fifty
30 million dollars but less than one hundred million dollars, the grant
31 shall not exceed fifteen million dollars; and

1 (f) For any capital project with an estimated cost of at least one
2 hundred million dollars, the grant shall not exceed thirty million
3 dollars.

4 Sec. 52. Section 81-12,243, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
5 amended to read:

6 81-12,243 (1) The Economic Recovery Contingency Fund is created. The
7 fund shall consist of transfers by the Legislature to carry out the
8 Economic Recovery Act. Transfers may be made from the Economic Recovery
9 Contingency Fund to the Museum Construction and Maintenance Fund at the
10 direction of the Legislature. Any money in the fund available for
11 investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to
12 the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds
13 Investment Act. Investment earnings on and after July 1, 2023, shall be
14 credited to the fund.

15 (2) The Department of Economic Development may review the projects
16 listed in the coordination plan and the appendices by the Economic
17 Recovery Special Committee of the Legislature dated January 10, 2023, and
18 shall prioritize the use of the fund on projects listed in the
19 coordination plan followed by the projects in the appendices.

20 (3) The State Treasurer shall transfer seven hundred fifty thousand
21 dollars from the Economic Recovery Contingency Fund to the Museum
22 Construction and Maintenance Fund on or after July 1, 2024, but before
23 December 31, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
24 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
25 Administrative Services. The State Treasurer shall transfer fifteen
26 million dollars from the Economic Recovery Contingency Fund to the Museum
27 Construction and Maintenance Fund on or after July 1, 2025, but before
28 December 31, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
29 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
30 Administrative Services.

31 Sec. 53. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall exercise the

1 exclusive authority to perform, or cause to be performed, the Statewide
2 Single Audit for the Federal Funds allocated to the State of Nebraska
3 from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant to the
4 federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, 42 U.S.C. 802, as amended, and
5 all other federal funds appropriated for state programs, and shall be
6 fully compensated for the cost of such audit work, on a pro rata basis,
7 by each agency audited.

8 Sec. 54. Section 84-612, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
9 amended to read:

10 84-612 (1) There is hereby created within the state treasury a fund
11 known as the Cash Reserve Fund which shall be under the direction of the
12 State Treasurer. The fund shall only be used pursuant to this section.

13 (2) The State Treasurer shall transfer funds from the Cash Reserve
14 Fund to the General Fund upon certification by the Director of
15 Administrative Services that the current cash balance in the General Fund
16 is inadequate to meet current obligations. Such certification shall
17 include the dollar amount to be transferred. Any transfers made pursuant
18 to this subsection shall be reversed upon notification by the Director of
19 Administrative Services that sufficient funds are available.

20 (3) In addition to receiving transfers from other funds, the Cash
21 Reserve Fund shall receive federal funds received by the State of
22 Nebraska for undesignated general government purposes, federal revenue
23 sharing, or general fiscal relief of the state.

24 (4) The State Treasurer shall transfer fifteen two million eight
25 hundred forty-one thousand dollars from the Governor's Emergency Cash
26 Fund to the Cash Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2024, on such dates
27 and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget
28 division of the Department of Administrative Services.

29 ~~(5) The State Treasurer shall transfer two hundred sixteen million~~
30 ~~one hundred twenty thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the~~
31 ~~Nebraska Capital Construction Fund on or after July 1, 2022, but before~~

1 ~~June 15, 2023, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the~~
2 ~~budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of~~
3 ~~Administrative Services.~~

4 (5) ~~(6)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer one hundred sixty-eight
5 million one hundred seventy-three thousand five hundred eighty one
6 ~~hundred eighty-two million six hundred twenty-three thousand eight~~
7 ~~hundred twenty-five~~ dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska
8 Capital Construction Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30,
9 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
10 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
11 Services.

12 ~~(7)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer ~~fifty-three million five~~
13 ~~hundred thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Perkins County~~
14 ~~Canal Project Fund on or before June 30, 2023, on such dates and in such~~
15 ~~amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of~~
16 ~~the Department of Administrative Services.~~

17 ~~(6)~~ ~~(8)~~ No funds shall be transferred from the Cash Reserve Fund to
18 fulfill the obligations created under the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive
19 Act unless the balance in the Cash Reserve Fund after such transfer will
20 be at least equal to five hundred million dollars.

21 ~~(9)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer ~~thirty million dollars from~~
22 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Military Base Development and Support Fund~~
23 ~~on or before June 30, 2023, but not before July 1, 2022, on such dates~~
24 ~~and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget~~
25 ~~division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

26 ~~(10)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer ~~eight million three hundred~~
27 ~~thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Trail Development and~~
28 ~~Maintenance Fund on or after July 1, 2022, but before July 30, 2022, on~~
29 ~~such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of~~
30 ~~the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

31 ~~(11)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer ~~fifty million dollars from~~

1 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Rural Projects Fund on or after~~
2 ~~July 1, 2022, but before July 15, 2023, on such dates and in such amounts~~
3 ~~as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the~~
4 ~~Department of Administrative Services.~~

5 ~~(12) The State Treasurer shall transfer thirty million dollars from~~
6 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund on~~
7 ~~or after July 1, 2022, but before July 15, 2023, on such dates and in~~
8 ~~such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget~~
9 ~~division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

10 ~~(13) The State Treasurer shall transfer twenty million dollars from~~
11 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Intern Nebraska Cash Fund on or after July~~
12 ~~1, 2022, but before June 15, 2023, on such dates and in such amounts as~~
13 ~~directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the~~
14 ~~Department of Administrative Services.~~

15 ~~(14) The State Treasurer shall transfer twenty million dollars from~~
16 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment~~
17 ~~Fund on July 15, 2022, or as soon thereafter as administratively~~
18 ~~possible, and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of~~
19 ~~the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

20 ~~(15) The State Treasurer shall transfer eighty million dollars from~~
21 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative~~
22 ~~Fund on or after July 1, 2022, but before July 15, 2023, on such dates~~
23 ~~and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget~~
24 ~~division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

25 ~~(16) The State Treasurer shall transfer twenty million dollars from~~
26 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund on July~~
27 ~~15, 2022, or as soon thereafter as administratively possible, and in such~~
28 ~~amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of~~
29 ~~the Department of Administrative Services.~~

30 ~~(17) The State Treasurer shall transfer fifty million dollars from~~
31 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund~~

1 ~~on or after July 15, 2022, but before January 1, 2023, on such dates and~~
2 ~~in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget~~
3 ~~division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

4 ~~(18) The State Treasurer shall transfer fifteen million dollars from~~
5 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund on or~~
6 ~~before June 30, 2022, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by~~
7 ~~the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of~~
8 ~~Administrative Services.~~

9 ~~(19) The State Treasurer shall transfer fifty-five million dollars~~
10 ~~from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Economic Recovery Contingency Fund on~~
11 ~~or before June 30, 2022, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by~~
12 ~~the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of~~
13 ~~Administrative Services.~~

14 ~~(7) (20) The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars from~~
15 ~~the Cash Reserve Fund to the School Safety and Security Fund as soon as~~
16 ~~administratively possible after September 2, 2023, on such dates and in~~
17 ~~such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget~~
18 ~~division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

19 ~~(21) The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars from the~~
20 ~~Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund as soon as administratively~~
21 ~~possible after June 7, 2023, on such dates and in such amounts as~~
22 ~~directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the~~
23 ~~Department of Administrative Services.~~

24 ~~(22) The State Treasurer shall transfer one million dollars from the~~
25 ~~Cash Reserve Fund to the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Fund as soon as~~
26 ~~administratively possible after June 7, 2023, on such dates and in such~~
27 ~~amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of~~
28 ~~the Department of Administrative Services.~~

29 ~~(8) (23) The State Treasurer shall transfer three million dollars~~
30 ~~from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Risk Loss Trust on or before June 30,~~
31 ~~2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget~~

1 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
2 Services.

3 (9) ~~(24)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer eleven million three
4 hundred twenty thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Health
5 and Human Services Cash Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but on or before
6 June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the
7 budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of
8 Administrative Services.

9 (10) ~~(25)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer five hundred seventy-
10 four million five hundred thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to
11 the Perkins County Canal Project Fund on or before June 30, 2024, on such
12 dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the
13 budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

14 ~~(26)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer one million four hundred
15 thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the State Building
16 Revolving Fund on or before July 10, 2023, on such dates and in such
17 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
18 the Department of Administrative Services.

19 ~~(27)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer one million one hundred
20 thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Accounting Division
21 Revolving Fund on or before July 10, 2023, on such dates and in such
22 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
23 the Department of Administrative Services.

24 (11) ~~(28)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer one million one hundred
25 fifteen thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Public Safety
26 Cash Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such
27 dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the
28 budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

29 ~~(29)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer one hundred million dollars
30 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Roads Operations Cash Fund before June
31 30, 2023, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget

1 ~~administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative~~
2 ~~Services.~~

3 ~~(30) The State Treasurer shall transfer eighteen million seven~~
4 ~~hundred fifty thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the State~~
5 ~~Self-Insured Indemnification Fund before June 30, 2023, on such dates and~~
6 ~~in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget~~
7 ~~division of the Department of Administrative Services.~~

8 (12) ~~(31)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer five million dollars
9 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Public Safety Communication
10 System Revolving Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024,
11 on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator
12 of the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

13 (13) The State Treasurer shall transfer two million four hundred
14 twenty-five thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska
15 Public Safety Communication System Revolving Fund on or after July 1,
16 2024, but before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as
17 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
18 Department of Administrative Services.

19 (14) ~~(32)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer seventy million dollars
20 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Shovel-Ready Capital Recovery and
21 Investment Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on
22 such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of
23 the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

24 (15) ~~(33)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer two million dollars
25 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund on
26 or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in
27 such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget
28 division of the Department of Administrative Services.

29 (16) ~~(34)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer twenty million dollars
30 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Economic Development Cash Fund on or
31 after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such

1 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
2 the Department of Administrative Services.

3 ~~(35) The State Treasurer shall transfer zero dollars from the Cash~~
4 ~~Reserve Fund to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund on or after~~
5 ~~July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such amounts~~
6 ~~as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the~~
7 ~~Department of Administrative Services.~~

8 ~~(36) The State Treasurer shall transfer zero dollars from the Cash~~
9 ~~Reserve Fund to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Fund on or~~
10 ~~after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such~~
11 ~~amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of~~
12 ~~the Department of Administrative Services.~~

13 (17) ~~(37)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer two hundred forty
14 million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Economic Recovery
15 Contingency Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on
16 such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of
17 the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

18 (18) ~~(38)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars
19 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Critical Infrastructure Facilities Cash
20 Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates
21 and in such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget
22 division of the Department of Administrative Services.

23 (19) ~~(39)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer four hundred forty
24 million dollars from the General Fund to the Cash Reserve Fund on or
25 after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such
26 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
27 the Department of Administrative Services.

28 ~~(40) The State Treasurer shall transfer zero dollars from the Cash~~
29 ~~Reserve Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund on or after July~~
30 ~~1, 2024, but before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as~~
31 ~~directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the~~

1 ~~Department of Administrative Services.~~

2 (20) ~~(41)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer four ~~one~~ million
3 dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund on or after July
4 1, 2024, but before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as
5 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
6 Department of Administrative Services.

7 (21) ~~(42)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer twenty-five million
8 four hundred fifty-eight thousand eight hundred dollars from the Cash
9 Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Capital Construction Fund on or after July
10 1, 2024, but before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as
11 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
12 Department of Administrative Services.

13 (22) ~~(43)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer two million five
14 hundred thousand dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Materiel
15 Division Revolving Fund on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30,
16 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget
17 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
18 Services.

19 (23) ~~(44)~~ The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars
20 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Youth Outdoor Education Innovation Fund
21 on or after July 1, 2023, but before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in
22 such amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget
23 division of the Department of Administrative Services.

24 (24) The State Treasurer shall transfer twenty-eight million dollars
25 from the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund to the Cash
26 Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2024, on such dates and in such
27 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
28 the Department of Administrative Services.

29 (25) The State Treasurer shall transfer five million dollars from
30 the Cash Reserve Fund to the State Insurance Fund on or before July 10,
31 2024, on such dates and in such amounts as directed by the budget

1 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
2 Services.

3 (26) The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars from the
4 Cash Reserve Fund to the Health and Human Services Cash Fund on or after
5 July 1, 2024, but on or before June 30, 2025, on such dates and in such
6 amounts as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of
7 the Department of Administrative Services.

8 Sec. 55. Section 86-324, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
9 amended to read:

10 86-324 (1) The Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund is
11 hereby created. The fund shall provide the assistance necessary to make
12 universal access to telecommunications services available to all persons
13 in the state consistent with the policies set forth in the Nebraska
14 Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act. Only eligible
15 telecommunications companies designated by the commission shall be
16 eligible to receive support to serve high-cost areas from the fund. A
17 telecommunications company that receives such support shall use that
18 support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities
19 and services for which the support is intended. Any such support should
20 be explicit and sufficient to achieve the purpose of the act.

21 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 86-124, in addition to
22 other provisions of the act, and to the extent not prohibited by federal
23 law, the commission:

24 (a) Shall have authority and power to subject eligible
25 telecommunications companies to service quality, customer service, and
26 billing regulations. Such regulations shall apply only to the extent of
27 any telecommunications services or offerings made by an eligible
28 telecommunications company which are eligible for support by the fund.
29 The commission shall be reimbursed from the fund for all costs related to
30 drafting, implementing, and enforcing the regulations and any other
31 services provided on behalf of customers pursuant to this subdivision;

1 (b) Shall have authority and power to issue orders carrying out its
2 responsibilities and to review the compliance of any eligible
3 telecommunications company receiving support for continued compliance
4 with any such orders or regulations adopted pursuant to the act;

5 (c) May withhold all or a portion of the funds to be distributed
6 from any telecommunications company failing to continue compliance with
7 the commission's orders or regulations;

8 (d) Shall withhold support distributed from the fund from any
9 telecommunications company using or providing any communications
10 equipment or service deemed to pose a threat to national security
11 identified on the Covered List developed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. 1.50002,
12 as such regulation existed on January 1, 2023, and published by the
13 Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau of the Federal Communications
14 Commission pursuant to the federal Secure and Trusted Communications
15 Networks Act of 2019, 47 U.S.C. 1601 et seq., as such act existed on
16 January 1, 2023, and the rules adopted pursuant to such act by the
17 Federal Communications Commission on November 11, 2022, in its Report and
18 Order FCC 22-84. Any telecommunications company that removes,
19 discontinues, or replaces any communications equipment or service
20 identified on the Covered List described in this subdivision in
21 compliance with federal law shall not be required to obtain any
22 additional permits from any state agency or political subdivision in the
23 removal, discontinuance, or replacement of such communications equipment
24 or service as long as the state agency or political subdivision is
25 properly notified of the necessary replacements and the replacement of
26 any communications equipment is similar to the existing communications
27 equipment;

28 (e) Shall require every telecommunications company to contribute to
29 any universal service mechanism established by the commission pursuant to
30 state law. The commission shall require, as reasonably necessary, an
31 annual audit of any telecommunications company to be performed by a

1 third-party certified public accountant to insure the billing,
2 collection, and remittance of a surcharge for universal service. The
3 costs of any audit required pursuant to this subdivision shall be paid by
4 the telecommunications company being audited;

5 (f) Shall require an audit of information provided by a
6 telecommunications company to be performed by a third-party certified
7 public accountant for purposes of calculating universal service fund
8 payments to such telecommunications company. The costs of any audit
9 required pursuant to this subdivision shall be paid by the
10 telecommunications company being audited; and

11 (g) May administratively fine pursuant to section 75-156 any person
12 who violates the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act.

13 (3) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
14 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
15 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

16 (4)(a) (4) Transfers may be made from earnings on the Nebraska
17 Telecommunications Universal Service Fund to the 211 Cash Fund or the
18 General Fund at the direction of the Legislature.

19 (b) The State Treasurer shall transfer one million two hundred
20 seventy-five thousand dollars on July 1, 2023, from the earnings on the
21 Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund to the 211 Cash Fund.
22 The State Treasurer shall transfer one million four hundred fifty-five
23 thousand dollars on July 1, 2024, from the earnings on the Nebraska
24 Telecommunications Universal Service Fund to the 211 Cash Fund.

25 (c) Beginning on June 30, 2025, and each June 30 thereafter, the
26 State Treasurer shall transfer all earnings on the Nebraska
27 Telecommunications Universal Service Fund, less any transfers made to the
28 211 Cash Fund in such fiscal year, to the General Fund.

29 Sec. 56. Original sections 48-621, 48-622.01, 58-703, and
30 59-1608.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 55-901,
31 61-405, 68-996, 71-812, 79-810, 81-1201.21, 81-12,146, and 81-12,157,

1 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, and sections 37-1804,
2 48-622.02, 71-5328, 71-7611, 72-819, 79-3501, 81-12,147, 81-12,221,
3 81-12,222, 81-12,243, 84-612, and 86-324, Revised Statutes Supplement,
4 2023, are repealed.

5 Sec. 57. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
6 passed and approved according to law.