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LEGISLATIVE BILL 579

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AN ACT relating to the Department of Agriculture; to authorize the providing of management services; to provide duties; to create a fund; to provide for payment of expenses; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. The Department of Agriculture, through its administrative division, may conduct a consolidated or joint-use system of computer services, statistical services, printing services, and other related office management services in cooperation with, on behalf of, or for the other divisions or bureaus of the department and any boards or political subdivisions of the state administering commodity checkoff programs, in order to enhance the ability of the division to efficiently and economically perform its duties and responsibilities.

Sec. 2. In conjunction with the conduct of the system of office management services authorized under section 1 of this act, the Department of Agriculture shall develop a system of equitable billings and charges for computer services, statistical services, printing services, and other related office management services provided by the administrative division in its consolidated or joint-use system of services. Such system of charges shall reflect, as nearly as may be practical, the actual share of costs incurred on behalf of or for such services to each division, bureau, board, or political subdivision provided services from the division's services system. All divisions, bureaus, boards, or political subdivisions which use such services shall pay for such services out of appropriated or available funds. There is hereby created the Management Services Expense Revolving Fund, to which all collections for payment of service expenses and any appropriation by the Legislature shall be credited.

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Expenditures shall be made from the Management Services Expense Revolving Fund for the payment of service expenses. Such payments shall be made by the Director of Agriculture. All money in the Management Services Expense Revolving Fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to sections 72-1237 to 72-1269.

Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.