LEGISLATIVE BILL 13

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AN ACT relating to cities and villages; to grant authority relating to irrigation and drainage ditches, canals, and laterals as prescribed. Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Any first or second-class city or village may wall, enclose, or cover in a manner that will not restrict or impair the intended purpose, function, or operation of a segment of any irrigation or drainage ditch, canal, or lateral, whether on public or private property, which lies within the corporate limits of such city or village, and for this purpose may acquire and hold land or an interest in land. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the taking of property without payment of compensation when required by law. Such city or village may undertake and finance a project authorized by this section either independently or jointly with any person owning or operating such irrigation ditch, canal, or lateral; Provided, that if such project is undertaken independently, the owner or operator of such irrigation ditch, canal, or lateral shall approve the design of the project prior to any construction.

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