One Hundred Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2022 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB1070 Chairperson: Senator John Stinner Committee: Appropriations Date of Hearing: February 15, 2022 The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB1070, which carries an emergency clause, would appropriate \$20 million from Nebraska State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, pursuant to the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), to the Department of Economic Development for purposes related to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act. The bill authorizes the Department to create a grant program using the federal funds for infrastructure necessary for rural workforce housing projects, and directs the program be coordinated and administered in compliance with the federal rule pertaining to allowable uses of ARPA funds.

LB1070 fits within the following categories outlined in the Final Rule promulgated by the U. S. Treasury for allowable uses of ARPA funds:

• Water, Sewer, and Broadband infrastructure.

Senator Matt Williams