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LEGISLATIVE BILL 281

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Committee: Natural Resources

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate money to the
- 2 Department of Economic Development to provide grants for youth
- 3 outdoor education camp facilities; and to declare an emergency.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1)(a) The Department of Economic Development shall
2 provide grants to any qualifying nonprofit organization holding a
3 certificate of exemption under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
4 Code of 1986 for the purpose of building or renovating youth outdoor
5 education camp facilities, including physical structures, equipment, and
6 necessary infrastructure to ensure accessibility to the public.

7 (b) Each grant awarded pursuant to this section by the Department of
8 Economic Development shall require a minimum of a twenty-five percent
9 match in private or other money from the applicant.

10 (c) No applicant shall receive one or more grants totaling more than
11 thirty million dollars.

12 (d) When awarding grants, the Department of Economic Development
13 shall give preference to any applicant that intends to use the grant to
14 rebuild a youth outdoor education camp facility that was damaged due to a
15 natural or manmade disaster.

16 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate fifty million
17 dollars from the General Fund for FY2023-24 to the Department of Economic
18 Development for the purposes described in subsection (1) of this section.

19 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
20 passed and approved according to law.