

**One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB249**

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**Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe**

**Committee: Business and Labor**

**Date of Hearing: January 30, 2023**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

This bill would make several changes to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act. It would remove the limit of one application per organization per cycle, increase the grant maximum from \$1 million to \$5 million, strike language prohibiting using rural workforce housing funds for projects also receiving certain other state grants and credits, and fund the program with \$20 million.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Tom Briese**