

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB661

Chairperson: Senator Ben Hansen

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 15, 2023

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

LB 661 would direct the Department of Health and Human Services to create a program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for regional or local food distribution capacity and food security, and would appropriate \$2.5 million from the General Fund.

This grant program is similar to a grant program that was created and implemented last year in LB 1014, which appropriated the state's allocation of American Rescue Plan Act funds where \$2.5 million dollars was appropriated for the Food Innovation Grant Program.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Teresa Ibach