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A BILL

1	FOR AN ACT	relating to fund transfers; to amend section 68-1604,
2		Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 58-703
3		and 84-612, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012;
4		to provide for Cash Reserve Fund transfers for affordable
5		housing, homeless shelter assistance, and legal aid; to
6		harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections;
7		and to declare an emergency.
8	Be it enacte	ed by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 58-703, Revised Statutes Cumulative

- 2 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:
- 3 58-703 The Affordable Housing Trust Fund is created. The
- 4 fund shall receive money pursuant to sections 8-1120 and 76-903 and
- 5 may include revenue from sources recommended by the housing advisory
- 6 committee established in section 58-704, appropriations from the
- 7 Legislature, transfers authorized by the Legislature, grants, private
- 8 contributions, repayment of loans, and all other sources. , except
- 9 that appropriations from the General Fund and transfers from the
- 10 General Fund or the Cash Reserve Fund may not be used as a revenue
- 11 source for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund after June 30, 2013. The
- 12 Department of Economic Development as part of its comprehensive
- 13 housing affordability strategy shall administer the Affordable
- 14 Housing Trust Fund.
- Transfers may be made from the Affordable Housing Trust
- 16 Fund to the General Fund, the Behavioral Health Services Fund, and
- 17 the Site and Building Development Fund at the direction of the
- 18 Legislature.
- 19 Sec. 2. Section 68-1604, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 20 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 21 68-1604 The Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund is
- 22 hereby created. The fund shall include the proceeds raised from the
- 23 documentary stamp tax and remitted for such fund pursuant to section
- 24 76-903 and transfers authorized by the Legislature. Money remitted to
- 25 such fund shall be used by the department (1) for grants to eligible

1 shelter providers as set out in section 68-1605 for the purpose of

- 2 assisting in the alleviation of homelessness, to provide temporary
- 3 and permanent shelters for homeless persons, to encourage the
- 4 development of projects which link housing assistance to programs
- 5 promoting the concept of self-sufficiency, and to address the needs
- 6 of the migrant farmworker and (2) to aid in defraying the expenses of
- 7 administering the Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund Act, which
- 8 shall not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars in any fiscal year.
- 9 Any money in the fund available for investment shall be
- 10 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska
- 11 Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
- 12 Sec. 3. Section 84-612, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 13 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:
- 14 84-612 (1) There is hereby created within the state
- 15 treasury a fund known as the Cash Reserve Fund which shall be under
- 16 the direction of the State Treasurer. The fund shall only be used
- 17 pursuant to this section.
- 18 (2) The State Treasurer shall transfer funds from the
- 19 Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund upon certification by the
- 20 Director of Administrative Services that the current cash balance in
- 21 the General Fund is inadequate to meet current obligations. Such
- 22 certification shall include the dollar amount to be transferred. Any
- 23 transfers made pursuant to this subsection shall be reversed upon
- 24 notification by the Director of Administrative Services that
- 25 sufficient funds are available.

1 (3) In addition to receiving transfers from other funds,

- 2 the Cash Reserve Fund shall receive federal funds received by the
- 3 State of Nebraska for undesignated general government purposes,
- 4 federal revenue sharing, or general fiscal relief of the state.
- 5 (4) On July 7, 2009, the State Treasurer shall transfer
- 6 five million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Roads
- 7 Operations Cash Fund. The Department of Roads shall use such funds to
- 8 provide the required state match for federal funding made available
- 9 to the state through congressional earmarks.
- 10 (5) The State Treasurer shall transfer a total of thirty-
- 11 seven million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund
- 12 on or before June 30, 2012, on such dates and in such amounts as
- 13 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
- 14 Department of Administrative Services.
- 15 (6) The State Treasurer shall transfer a total of sixty-
- 16 eight million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund
- 17 on or before June 30, 2013, on such dates and in such amounts as
- 18 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
- 19 Department of Administrative Services.
- 20 (7) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 21 administrator of the budget division of the Department of
- 22 Administrative Services, shall transfer not to exceed twelve million
- 23 dollars in total between July 1, 2011, and November 30, 2012, from
- 24 the Cash Reserve Fund to the Ethanol Production Incentive Cash Fund,
- 25 for ethanol production incentive credits, on such dates and in such

- 1 amounts as certified by the Tax Commissioner.
- 2 (8) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 3 administrator of the budget division of the Department of
- 4 Administrative Services, shall transfer an amount equal to the total
- 5 amount transferred pursuant to subsection (7) of this section from
- 6 the Ethanol Production Incentive Cash Fund to the Cash Reserve Fund
- 7 in such amounts as certified by the Tax Commissioner on or before
- 8 November 30, 2012.
- 9 (9) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 10 administrator of the budget division of the Department of
- 11 Administrative Services, shall transfer eighty million dollars from
- 12 the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Capital Construction Fund on or
- 13 before August 15, 2012.
- 14 (10) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 15 administrator of the budget division of the Department of
- 16 Administrative Services, shall transfer one million dollars from the
- 17 Cash Reserve Fund to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund on or before
- 18 August 15, 2012.
- 19 (11) The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million
- 20 dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund on or before
- 21 June 30, 2013, on such date as directed by the budget administrator
- 22 of the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.
- 23 (12) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 24 <u>administrator</u> of the budget division of the Department of
- 25 Administrative Services, shall transfer five million four hundred

1 twenty-two thousand five hundred twenty-eight dollars from the Cash

- 2 Reserve Fund to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund on or before
- 3 <u>September 1, 2013.</u>
- 4 (13) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 5 administrator of the budget division of the Department of
- 6 Administrative Services, shall transfer one million dollars from the
- 7 <u>Cash Reserve Fund to the Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund on or</u>
- 8 <u>before September 1, 2013.</u>
- 9 (14) The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget
- 10 administrator of the budget division of the Department of
- 11 Administrative Services, shall transfer one million dollars from the
- 12 Cash Reserve Fund to the Legal Aid and Services Fund on or before
- 13 <u>September 1, 2013.</u>
- 14 Sec. 4. Original section 68-1604, Reissue Revised
- 15 Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 58-703 and 84-612, Revised
- 16 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012, are repealed.
- 17 Sec. 5. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
- 18 when passed and approved according to law.