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ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1257

Introduced by Bostar, 29.

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Committee: Appropriations

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate federal
- 2 funds to the Department of Transportation; and to declare an
- 3 emergency.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. (1) There is hereby appropriated \$10,000,000 from
- 2 Federal Funds for FY2022-23 to the Department of Transportation for the
- 3 purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. The Federal Funds
- 4 appropriated in this section are from the funds allocated to the State of
- 5 Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant
- 6 to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2,
- 7 Subtitle M, Sec. 9901.
- 8 (2) The Department of Transportation shall use the funds
- 9 appropriated in this section to coordinate and administer a competitive
- 10 grant program to provide matching funds to entities for installation of a
- 11 <u>comprehensive statewide network of electric vehicle direct-current fast</u>
- 12 <u>charging stations.</u>
- 13 (3) For purposes of this section, (a) electric vehicle direct-
- 14 <u>current fast charging station means a metered-for-fee public-access</u>
- 15 recharging system for motor vehicles propelled in whole or in part by
- 16 electricity and (b) electric vehicle direct-current fast charging station
- 17 does not include a station operated exclusively for motor vehicles of a
- 18 specific manufacturer, or a building or its structural components.
- 19 <u>(4) To be eligible for a grant under the program, a private</u>
- 20 individual or entity shall:
- 21 (a) Procure hardware and install, operate, maintain, and place in
- 22 service a network of new electric vehicle direct-current fast charging
- 23 stations between the calendar years of 2022 through 2026. A private
- 24 individual or entity shall not receive a grant under the program for an
- 25 electric vehicle direct-current fast charging station installed prior to
- 26 the effective date of this act; and
- 27 (b) Partner with site hosts in areas of commerce such as fuel
- 28 <u>stations, grocery stores, hotels, and municipalities located in Nebraska,</u>
- 29 <u>including rural areas and areas unserved or underserved by electric</u>
- 30 <u>vehicle direct-current fast charging stations.</u>
- 31 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when

1 passed and approved according to law.