## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 762**

Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

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Committee: Education

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to define terms; to provide
- 2 powers and duties to the State Department of Education relating to a
- 3 teacher apprenticeship program; to create a fund; and to state
- 4 intent relating to funding.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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- 1 Section 1. (1) For purposes of this section:
- 2 (a) Department means the State Department of Education; and
- 3 (b) Program means the Nebraska Teacher Apprenticeship Program.
- 4 (2) The department shall create and administer the Nebraska Teacher
- 5 Apprenticeship Program. The purpose of the program is to help recruit and
- 6 <u>increase teachers throughout the state by utilizing an apprenticeship</u>
- 7 model for training.
- 8 (3)(a) The department may work with institutions of higher
- 9 education, the Department of Labor, and others the State Department of
- 10 <u>Education deems necessary to implement the program.</u>
- 11 (b) The State Department of Education may use pilot programs to
- 12 assist with the creation of the program.
- 13 (4) The State Board of Education may adopt and promulgate rules and
- 14 regulations to carry out the program.
- 15 (5) The Nebraska Teacher Apprenticeship Fund is created. The fund
- 16 shall be administered by the department to carry out the program. The
- 17 fund shall consist of money transferred by the Legislature and any gifts,
- 18 grants, bequests, donations, or other contributions from public or
- 19 private sources. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be
- 20 <u>invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital</u>
- 21 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
- 22 (6) It is the intent of the Legislature to transfer XXXX dollars
- 23 from the General Fund to the Nebraska Teacher Apprenticeship Fund for
- 24 fiscal year 2023-24 for the purposes of carrying out the program.