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Committee: Urban Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to neighborhoods; to create a pilot program
- 2 for neighborhood data collaboratives; to define terms; and to
- 3 require a report.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** (1) For purposes of this section:

2 (a) Neighborhood association means a resident-led organization
3 representing a defined geographic area;

4 (b) Neighborhood data collaborative means a partnership among
5 neighborhood associations, nonprofits, and regional planning
6 organizations that uses data to support community-identified priorities;

7 (c) Pilot program means a time-limited initiative designed to test
8 implementation models and inform future policy; and

9 (d) Regional planning organization means a metropolitan or regional
10 planning entity, including the Metropolitan Area Planning Agency, the
11 South Central Economic Development District, or similar organizations.

12 (2) This section authorizes funding from the Department of Health
13 and Human Services for up to five neighborhood data collaborative pilot
14 programs. Pilot sites should reflect geographic and community diversity
15 and demonstrate readiness for implementation.

16 (3) Each neighborhood data collaborative pilot program shall
17 demonstrate shared governance and resident leadership and shall include:

18 (a) At least one regional planning organization;

19 (b) At least one local nonprofit organization; and

20 (c) At least three neighborhood associations.

21 (4) Neighborhood data collaborative pilot program funds shall be
22 used for technology and data tools, community engagement, resident data
23 training, staffing, coordination, and evaluation activities. Funds are
24 intended to support implementation rather than planning alone.

25 (5) Each neighborhood data collaborative pilot program shall submit
26 an annual report to the Legislature electronically. Each report shall
27 include activities, outcomes, resident participation, lessons learned,
28 and recommendations for scalability.

29 (6) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate \$250,000 to
30 the Department of Health and Human Services for the purposes of carrying
31 out this section.