

LEGISLATIVE BILL 719

Approved by the Governor February 25, 2026

Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Rural Projects Act; to amend section 81-12,203, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.
Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 81-12,203, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

81-12,203 Project means expenses incurred or to be incurred at one qualified location for:

(1) Site acquisition and preparation, transportation infrastructure, utility extensions, and rail spur construction for the development of a new industrial rail access business park, including:

(a) ~~Any~~ any such expenses incurred to assist an initial tenant at such business park that conducts business in the manufacturing, processing, distribution, or transloading trades; ~~and~~ ~~or~~

(b) Infrastructure development costs involving property not owned by the applicant that directly benefit the business park and are critical to the business park's development, including, but not limited to, acquisition of rights-of-way, easements, and adjacent properties allowing for street access or improvements; construction of turning lanes from adjacent major highways; construction of rail spurs and drop and pull rail yards connected to a main railroad line; and necessary utility improvements critical to serve the business park, including water, electric, wastewater, storm water, and natural gas infrastructure; or

(2) Site acquisition and preparation, transportation infrastructure, or rail spur construction within thirty miles of the largest artificial reservoir constructed in this state for the storage of water.

Sec. 2. Original section 81-12,203, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law.