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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1257

Introduced by Bostar, 29.

Read first time January 20, 2022

Committee:

- 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 comprehensive statewide network of electric vehicle direct-current fast
12 charging stations.

13 (3) For purposes of this section, (a) electric vehicle direct-
14 current fast charging station means a metered-for-fee public-access
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 (4) To be eligible for a grant under the program, a private
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 stations, grocery stores, hotels, and municipalities located in Nebraska,
29 including rural areas and areas unserved or underserved by electric
30 vehicle direct-current fast charging stations.

31 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when

1 passed and approved according to law.