

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA
ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE
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LEGISLATIVE BILL 522

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Committee:

A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to water; to provide state financial assistance
- 2 to irrigation districts to provide compensation to
- 3 surface water appropriators.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. If the Department of Natural Resources adopts
2 a rule or regulation prohibiting surface water appropriators from
3 storing or diverting instream flows for irrigation to comply with a
4 interstate compact or decree, then the department shall provide
5 financial assistance to the affected irrigation districts. The
6 irrigation districts shall use the financial assistance to compensate
7 surface water appropriators who have had to forgo the use of water.