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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1199

Introduced by McDonnell, 5.

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 Administrative Services; and to declare
- 3 an emergency.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1) There is hereby appropriated \$25,000,000 from
2 Federal Funds for FY2022-23 to the Department of Administrative Services,
3 for Program 101, for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this
4 section. The Federal Funds appropriated in this section are from the
5 funds allocated to the State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus
6 State Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan
7 Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, Subtitle M, Sec. 9901.

8 (2) The Department of Administrative Services shall provide the
9 funds appropriated in this section to the office of the Chief Information
10 Officer for the following purposes:

11 (a) Establishing interoperable communications between state agencies
12 and volunteer departments by providing portable and mobile radios,
13 programming, and installation of all radios and equipment; and

14 (b) Training for interoperability with the Statewide Radio System to
15 connect volunteer departments and agencies to the Statewide Radio System
16 through a grant program. Eligibility for such program shall be based on
17 the number and type of radios required for each volunteer department
18 based upon such department's needs and size. The office of the Chief
19 Information Officer shall not charge any subscription, programming, or
20 training fee for any volunteer department connected to the Statewide
21 Radio System after receiving a grant from the program. Priority shall be
22 given to volunteer departments along the National System of Interstate
23 and Defense Highways.

24 (3) For purposes of this section, volunteer department has the same
25 meaning as in section 35-901.

26 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
27 passed and approved according to law.