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LEGISLATIVE BILL 666

Introduced by Dorn, 30.

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Committee: Appropriations

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund; to
- 2 amend section 71-7611, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to
- 3 provide for a transfer of funds; and to repeal the original section.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 71-7611, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

2 amended to read:

3 71-7611 (1) The Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund is created. The State Treasurer shall transfer (a) sixty million three hundred thousand dollars 4 on or before July 15, 2014, (b) sixty million three hundred fifty 5 thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2015, (c) sixty million three 6 hundred fifty thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2016, (d) sixty 7 million seven hundred thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2017, (e) 8 9 five hundred thousand dollars on or before May 15, 2018, (f) sixty-one million six hundred thousand dollars on or before July 15, 2018, (g) 10 sixty-one million three hundred fifty thousand dollars on or before July 11 15, 2019, and (h) sixty million four hundred fifty thousand dollars on or 12 before every July 15 thereafter from the Nebraska 13 Intergovernmental Trust Fund and the Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Trust 14 Fund to the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund, except that such amount shall 15 be reduced by the amount of the unobligated balance in the Nebraska 16 Health Care Cash Fund at the time the transfer is made. The state 17 investment officer shall advise the State Treasurer on the amounts to be 18 19 transferred first from the Nebraska Medicaid Intergovernmental Trust Fund until the fund balance is depleted and from the Nebraska Tobacco 20 Settlement Trust Fund thereafter in order to sustain such transfers in 21 perpetuity. The state investment officer shall report electronically to 22 23 the Legislature on or before October 1 of every even-numbered year on the 24 sustainability of such transfers. The Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund 25 shall also include money received pursuant to section 77-2602. Except as otherwise provided by law, no more than the amounts specified in this 26 subsection may be appropriated or transferred from the Nebraska Health 27 Care Cash Fund in any fiscal year. 28

The State Treasurer shall transfer ten million dollars from the Nebraska Medicaid Intergovernmental Trust Fund to the General Fund on June 28, 2018, and June 28, 2019.

- 1 It is the intent of the Legislature that no additional programs are
- 2 funded through the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund until funding for all
- 3 programs with an appropriation from the fund during FY2012-13 are
- 4 restored to their FY2012-13 levels.
- 5 (2) Any money in the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund available for
- 6 investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to
- 7 the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds
- 8 Investment Act.
- 9 (3) The University of Nebraska and postsecondary educational
- 10 institutions having colleges of medicine in Nebraska and their affiliated
- 11 research hospitals in Nebraska, as a condition of receiving any funds
- 12 appropriated or transferred from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund,
- 13 shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of sexual
- 14 orientation.
- 15 (4) The State Treasurer shall transfer fifty thousand dollars on or
- 16 before July 15, 2016, from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund to the
- 17 Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for the University of
- 18 Nebraska Medical Center. It is the intent of the Legislature that these
- 19 funds be used by the College of Public Health for workforce training.
- 20 (5) The State Treasurer shall transfer two hundred thousand dollars
- 21 for FY2019-20 and two hundred thousand dollars for FY2020-21 from the
- 22 Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund to the Board of Regents of the University
- 23 of Nebraska for the University of Nebraska Medical Center. It is the
- 24 intent of the Legislature that these funds be used for the Simulation in
- 25 Motion program to train first responders and emergency medical
- 26 technicians in rural areas.
- 27 (6) (5) It is the intent of the Legislature that the cost of the
- 28 staff and operating costs necessary to carry out the changes made by Laws
- 29 2018, LB439, and not covered by fees or federal funds shall be funded
- 30 from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund for fiscal years 2018-19 and
- 31 2019-20.

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1 Sec. 2. Original section 71-7611, Reissue Revised Statutes of

2 Nebraska, is repealed.