LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE BILL 959

Introduced by McCollister, 20.

Read first time January 11, 2022

Committee: Appropriations

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate federal
- funds to the Department of Health and Human Services; and to declare
- an emergency.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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- 1 Section 1. (1) There is hereby appropriated \$5,922,000 from Federal
- 2 Funds for FY2022-23 to the Department of Health and Human Services for
- 3 the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. The Federal
- 4 Funds appropriated in this section are from the funds allocated to the
- 5 State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund
- 6 pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law
- 7 117-2, Subtitle M, Sec. 9901.
- 8 (2) The Department of Health and Human Services shall use the funds
- 9 appropriated in this section for the statewide designated health
- 10 <u>information exchange described in section 81-6,125 for the following</u>
- 11 <u>purposes:</u>
- 12 <u>(a) Infrastructure development and operations related to patient</u>
- 13 <u>access to medical records; and</u>
- 14 (b) Maintenance for applications that facilitate patient access to
- 15 medical records.
- 16 Sec. 2. (1) There is hereby appropriated \$3,000,000 from Federal
- 17 Funds for FY2022-23 to the Department of Health and Human Services for
- 18 the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section. The Federal
- 19 Funds appropriated in this section are from the funds allocated to the
- 20 State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund
- 21 pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law
- 22 <u>117-2</u>, Subtitle M, Sec. 9901.
- 23 (2) The Department of Health and Human Services shall use the funds
- 24 appropriated in this section for the statewide designated health
- 25 information exchange described in section 81-6,125 for infrastructure
- 26 <u>development and operations of a research database for research in health</u>
- 27 <u>care delivery and quality improvement.</u>
- 28 Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 29 passed and approved according to law.