## One Hundred Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2022

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator John Stinner** 

**Committee: Appropriations** 

Date of Hearing: March 01, 2022

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB1138 would appropriate \$16,000,000 from Federal Funds to the Department of Health and Human Services The Department of Health and Human Services shall distribute the funds appropriated in this section to local public health departments in the following manner: (a) \$10,000,000 distributed evenly to local public health departments for one-time infrastructure needs and any other costs, including testing, personal protective equipment, and other preventive measures, to combat the COVID-19 virus and any of its mutations; and (b) \$6,000,000 distributed proportionately to local public health departments based on the number of individuals employed at each local public health department for premium pay to such individuals.

Principal Introducer:	
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	Senator Tony Vargas