## LEGISLATIVE BILL 383

## Approved by the Governor April 9, 1996

Introduced by Hillman, 48; Robak, 22

AN ACT relating to intercity bus systems; to amend section 13-1213, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1994; to authorize purchases of vehicles and equipment; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska.

Section 1. Section 13-1213, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1994, is amended to read:

13-1213. (1) An intercity bus system assistance program is hereby established to provide state assistance for the operation of intercity bus systems.

(2) Any municipality, county, transit authority, or qualified public-purpose organization shall be eligible to receive (a) financial assistance for the eligible operating costs of such system, whether the applicant directly operates the system or contracts for its operation, and (b) financial assistance to match federal funds available for the purchase of vehicles and equipment for the start of an intercity bus system or the replacement of vehicles used in the operation of an intercity bus system. The vehicles shall be titled to such municipality, county, transit authority, or qualified public-purpose organization.

(3) The department may contract for an intercity bus system with either a publicly owned provider or a provider owned by a qualified public-purpose organization.

(4) Any intercity bus system to be funded under this section shall be selected based on criteria established by the department.

Sec. 2. Original section 13-1213, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1994, is repealed.