

AMENDMENTS TO LB661
(Amendments to AM831)

Introduced by Mello, 5.

1 1. Purpose: To increase the transfer to the Property Tax Credit Cash
2 Fund.

3 Amendment:

4 1. On page 1, line 25; and page 2, line 2, strike "~~\$198,000,000~~" and
5 insert "\$202,000,000".

6 2. Purpose: To designate an agency for a new cash fund and clarify
7 language.

8 Amendment:

9 1. On page 3, line 28, before the period insert "within the
10 Department of Health and Human Services".

11 2. On page 4, line 4, strike "appropriated to" and insert "deposited
12 in".

13 3. Purpose: To remove provisions that would require that \$500,000
14 from the Civic and Community Center Financing Fund be used to fund
15 development districts, to amend the transfer to the State Colleges Sport
16 Facilities Cash Fund to \$300,000 per year, and to delete a proposed
17 General Fund transfer.

18 Amendment:

19 1. On page 9, line 18, strike "sections", reinstate the stricken
20 "section", and strike "and 13-2704".

21 2. On page 14, strike the new matter and reinstate the stricken
22 matter.

23 3. On page 15, lines 1 through 4 and 6 strike the new matter and
24 reinstate the stricken matter; and in line 5 reinstate the stricken
25 "transfer", after the reinstated "transfer" insert "three", and reinstate
26 the stricken matter beginning with "hundred" through "Community".

1 4. Purpose: To transfer \$250,000 from the Job Training Cash Fund to
2 the General Fund in each of FY2015-16 and FY2016-17.

3 Amendment:

4 1. Insert the following new section:

5 Sec. 34. Section 81-1201.21, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
6 is amended to read:

7 81-1201.21 (1) There is hereby created the Job Training Cash Fund.
8 The fund shall be under the direction of the Department of Economic
9 Development. Money may be transferred to the fund pursuant to subdivision
10 (1)(b)(iii) of section 48-621 and from the Cash Reserve Fund at the
11 direction of the Legislature. The department shall establish a subaccount
12 for all money transferred from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Job Training
13 Cash Fund on or after July 1, 2005.

14 (2) The department shall use the Job Training Cash Fund or the
15 subaccount established in subsection (1) of this section (a) to provide
16 reimbursements for job training activities, including employee
17 assessment, preemployment training, on-the-job training, training
18 equipment costs, and other reasonable costs related to helping industry
19 and business locate or expand in Nebraska, (b) to provide upgrade skills
20 training of the existing labor force necessary to adapt to new technology
21 or the introduction of new product lines, or (c) to provide grants
22 pursuant to section 81-1210.02. The department shall give a preference to
23 job training activities carried out in whole or in part within an
24 enterprise zone designated pursuant to the Enterprise Zone Act.

25 (3) The department shall establish a subaccount within the fund to
26 provide training grants for training employees and potential employees of
27 businesses that (a) employ twenty-five or fewer employees on the
28 application date, (b) employ, or train for potential employment,
29 residents of rural areas of Nebraska, or (c) are located in or employ, or
30 train for potential employment, residents of high-poverty areas as
31 defined in section 81-1203. The department shall calculate the amount of

1 prior year investment income earnings accruing to the fund and allocate
2 such amount to the subaccount for training grants under this subsection.
3 The subaccount shall also be used as provided in the Teleworker Job
4 Creation Act and as provided in section 81-1210.02. The department shall
5 give a preference to training grants for businesses located in whole or
6 in part within an enterprise zone designated pursuant to the Enterprise
7 Zone Act.

8 (4) The State Treasurer shall transfer two hundred fifty thousand
9 dollars from the Job Training Cash Fund to the General Fund no later than
10 July 15 of 2015 and 2016.

11 (5 4) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be
12 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
13 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

14 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references
15 and the repealer accordingly.

16 5. Purpose: To establish a minimum contract term of ten years, to
17 establish a contract application deadline of January 1, 2017, and to
18 provide for limitations of contract award amounts.

19 Amendment:

20 1. On page 26, line 16, after "services" insert "for a minimum of
21 ten years. An application to enter into a contract under this section
22 shall be made no later than January 1, 2017"; in line 19 after
23 "dentistry" insert "for at least five years"; in line 22 after "services"
24 insert "for a minimum of ten years".

25 2. On page 27, line 10, after the period insert "No applicant shall
26 receive an award amount under a contract under this section of more than
27 eight million dollars. If more than one applicant meets the requirements
28 of this section to enter into a contract and provides evidence that
29 private or other funds have been received by the applicant as matching
30 funds for such a contract in an amount greater than or equal to sixteen
31 million dollars, each of such applicants shall receive an award amount

1 under a contract equal to eight million dollars divided by the number of
2 such applicants. If one of such applicants qualifies for a contract award
3 amount of less than four million dollars, any other such applicant may
4 receive a contract award amount up to eight million dollars minus the
5 amount awarded to the applicant qualifying for less than four million
6 dollars. The contract amount shall be awarded first to the applicant
7 qualifying for the lowest contract award amount."

8 3. In the Mello amendment, AM1486, strike amendment 2.