

E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 457

Introduced by Hansen, 26, Chairman Enrollment and Review

1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and
2 insert the following new sections:

3 Section 1. Section 58-708, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
4 2014, is amended to read:

5 58-708 (1) During each calendar year in which funds are available
6 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for use by the Department of
7 Economic Development, the department shall allocate a specific amount of
8 funds, not less than thirty percent, to each congressional district. The
9 department shall announce a grant and loan application period of at least
10 ninety days duration for all projects. In selecting projects to receive
11 trust fund assistance, the department shall develop a qualified
12 allocation plan and give first priority to financially viable projects
13 that serve the lowest income occupants for the longest period of time.
14 The qualified allocation plan shall:

15 (a) Set forth selection criteria to be used to determine housing
16 priorities of the housing trust fund which are appropriate to local
17 conditions, including the community's immediate need for affordable
18 housing, proposed increases in home ownership, private dollars leveraged,
19 level of local government support and participation, and repayment, in
20 part or in whole, of financial assistance awarded by the fund; and

21 (b) Give first priority in allocating trust fund assistance among
22 selected projects to those projects which are located in whole or in part
23 within an enterprise zone designated pursuant to the Enterprise Zone Act,
24 serve the lowest income occupant, and are obligated to serve qualified
25 occupants for the longest period of time.

26 (2) The department shall fund in order of priority as many
27 applications as will utilize available funds less actual administrative

1 costs of the department in administering the program. In administering
2 the program the department may contract for services or directly provide
3 funds to other governmental entities or instrumentalities.

4 (3) The department may recapture any funds which were allocated to a
5 qualified recipient for an eligible project through an award agreement if
6 such funds were not utilized for eligible costs within the time of
7 performance under the agreement and are therefor no longer obligated to
8 the project. The recaptured funds shall be credited to the Affordable
9 Housing Trust Fund Industrial Recovery Fund ~~except as provided in section~~
10 ~~81-1213.~~

11 Sec. 2. Section 81-1213, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
12 amended to read:

13 81-1213 (1) The Industrial Recovery Fund is created. The fund shall
14 be administered by the Department of Economic Development. Any money in
15 the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
16 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
17 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

18 (2) The department may provide assistance from the fund to a
19 political subdivision impacted by a sudden and significant private-sector
20 entity closure or downsizing that will have a significant impact on the
21 community. The assistance shall be used to mitigate the economic impact
22 of the closure or downsizing by making necessary improvements to the
23 buildings and infrastructure, or both, related to the assets of the
24 private-sector entity.

25 (3) The Industrial Recovery Fund terminates on the effective date of
26 this act. Upon such date, the State Treasurer shall transfer fifty
27 percent of the money in the fund to the Site and Building Development
28 Fund and fifty percent of the money in the fund to the Affordable Housing
29 Trust Fund ~~The fund shall consist of funds remitted for deposit in the~~
30 ~~fund pursuant to section 58-708. If the fund balance exceeds one million~~
31 ~~dollars, deposits to the fund pursuant to such section shall cease until~~

1 ~~the fund balance is less than one million dollars.~~

2 Sec. 3. Section 81-12,146, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
3 amended to read:

4 81-12,146 The Site and Building Development Fund is created. The
5 fund shall receive money pursuant to section 76-903 and may include
6 revenue from appropriations from the Legislature, grants, private
7 contributions, repayment of loans, and all other sources. The Department
8 of Economic Development, as part of its comprehensive business
9 development strategy, shall administer the fund. Any money in the fund
10 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
11 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
12 State Funds Investment Act.

13 ~~The State Treasurer shall transfer one million dollars from the~~
14 ~~Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund~~
15 ~~on or after January 1, 2012, but no later than January 10, 2012.~~

16 ~~The State Treasurer shall transfer one million dollars from the~~
17 ~~Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Site and Building Development Fund~~
18 ~~on or after January 1, 2013, but no later than January 10, 2013.~~

19 Sec. 4. Section 81-12,147, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
20 amended to read:

21 81-12,147 The Department of Economic Development shall use the Site
22 and Building Development Fund to finance loans, grants, subsidies, credit
23 enhancements, and other financial assistance for industrial site and
24 building development and for expenses of the department as appropriated
25 by the Legislature for administering the fund. The following activities
26 are eligible for assistance from the fund:

27 (1) Grants or zero-interest loans to villages, cities, or counties
28 to acquire land, infuse infrastructure, or otherwise make large sites and
29 buildings ready for industrial development;

30 (2) Matching funds for new construction, rehabilitation, or
31 acquisition of land and buildings to assist villages, cities, and

1 counties;

2 (3) Technical assistance, design and finance services, and
3 consultation for villages, cities, and counties for the preparation and
4 creation of industrial-ready sites and buildings;

5 (4) Loan guarantees for eligible projects;

6 (5) Projects making industrial-ready sites and buildings more
7 accessible to business and industry;~~and~~

8 (6) Infrastructure projects necessary for the development of
9 industrial-ready sites and buildings; and -

10 (7) Projects that mitigate the economic impact of a closure or
11 downsizing of a private-sector entity by making necessary improvements to
12 buildings and infrastructure.

13 Sec. 5. Original sections 81-1213, 81-12,146, and 81-12,147,
14 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 58-708, Revised
15 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, are repealed.

16 Sec. 6. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed
17 and approved according to law.

18 2. On page 1, line 5, strike "and"; and in line 6 after "sections"
19 insert "; and to declare an emergency".