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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 664**

Introduced by Groene, 42. Read first time January 20, 2021 Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Mutual Finance Assistance Fund; to 2 amend section 35-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2020; 3 to change distributions from the fund as prescribed; and to repeal 4 the original section. 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska, Section 1. Section 35-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2020, is amended to read:

35-1206 (1)(a) (1) Rural and suburban fire protection districts or 3 4 mutual finance organizations which qualify for assistance under section 5 35-1205 shall receive ten dollars times the assumed population of the fire protection district or mutual finance organization as calculated in 6 7 subsection (3) of such section plus the population of any city of the first class that is part of the district or mutual finance organization, 8 9 not to exceed three hundred thousand dollars for any one district or 10 mutual finance organization; and -

11 <u>(b) Each rural and suburban fire protection district or each</u> 12 <u>village, city of the second class, or rural and suburban fire protection</u> 13 <u>district that is a member of a mutual finance organization which</u> 14 <u>qualifies for assistance under section 35-1205 shall receive ten thousand</u> 15 <u>dollars.</u>

16 (2) If the district or mutual finance organization is located in 17 more than one county and meets the threshold for qualification in 18 subsection (1) or (2) of section 35-1205 in one of such counties, the 19 district or mutual finance organization shall receive assistance under 20 this section for all of its assumed population, including that which is 21 assumed population in counties for which the threshold is not reached by 22 the district or mutual finance organization.

(3) (2) If a mutual finance organization qualifies for assistance 23 24 under this section and one or more rural or suburban fire protection 25 districts or cities or villages fail to levy a tax rate that complies with subsection (1) of section 35-1204, as required under the mutual 26 finance organization agreement, the mutual finance organization shall be 27 28 disqualified for assistance in the following year and each subsequent year until the year following any year for which all districts and cities 29 and villages in the mutual finance organization levy a tax rate that 30 complies with subsection (1) of section 35-1204, as required by a mutual 31

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- 1 finance organization agreement.
- 2 Sec. 2. Original section 35-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 3 Supplement, 2020, is repealed.