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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 666**

Introduced by Business and Labor Committee: Hansen, B., 16, Chairperson;  
Blood, 3; Gragert, 40; Halloran, 33.

Read first time January 20, 2021

Committee: Business and Labor

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to claims against the state; to appropriate
- 2 funds for the payment of certain claims; to provide for payment of
- 3 the claims; to authorize agencies to write off certain claims as
- 4 prescribed; and to declare an emergency.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. The following sums of money, or so much thereof as may  
2 be required, are hereby appropriated from the General Fund or from other  
3 funds as indicated in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for  
4 the payment of claims arising out of miscellaneous items of indebtedness  
5 owing by the State of Nebraska.

6           \$318,140.37 for Miscellaneous Claim Number 2021-20829, against the  
7 State of Nebraska, pay to Nebraska Press Advertising Service, 845 "S"  
8 Street, Lincoln, NE 68508-1266, out of the General Fund.

9           \$101,143.68 for Miscellaneous Claim CI 18-2161, against the State of  
10 Nebraska, pay to Joy Shiffermiller and Razak Aljanabi, Shiffermiller Law  
11 Office, P.C., L.L.O., Attn: Joy Shiffermiller, 1002 G Street, Lincoln, NE  
12 68508, out of the General Fund.

13           The claims included in this section shall be paid through Program  
14 536 in Agency 65.

15           For informational purposes only, the appropriations contained in  
16 this section and fund source:

<u>FUND SOURCE</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>\$419,284.05</u>
<u>CASH FUND</u>	<u>\$-0-</u>
<u>REVOLVING FUND</u>	<u>\$-0-</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$419,284.05</u>

22           Sec. 2. The following sums of money, or so much thereof as may be  
23 required, are hereby appropriated from the General Fund or from other  
24 funds as indicated in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for  
25 the payment of workers' compensation claims which have been settled by  
26 the Attorney General in the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court or in  
27 which court judgments have been entered and which require the approval of  
28 the Legislature for payment.

29           \$115,000.00 for a workers' compensation claim, pay to Christa  
30 Binstock Israel and Natalie Sieber, Atwood, Holsten, Brown, Deaver and  
31 Spier Law Firm, PC, LLO, 575 Fallbrook Blvd., Ste. 206, Lincoln, NE

1 68512, out of the Workers' Compensation Claims Revolving Fund.  
 2 \$150,000.00 for a workers' compensation claim, pay to Jeanene Gieser  
 3 and Roger Moore, Rehm, Bennett, Moore and Rehm, P.C., L.L.O., 3701 Union  
 4 Drive, Suite 200, Lincoln, NE 68516, out of the Workers' Compensation  
 5 Claims Revolving Fund.

6 The claims included in this section shall be paid through Program  
 7 593 in Agency 65.

8 For informational purposes only, the appropriations contained in  
 9 this section and fund source:

<u>FUND SOURCE</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>\$-0-</u>
<u>CASH FUND</u>	<u>\$-0-</u>
<u>REVOLVING FUND</u>	<u>\$265,000.00</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$265,000.00</u>

15 Sec. 3. The Director of Administrative Services is hereby  
 16 authorized and directed to draw his or her warrants upon the funds in the  
 17 state treasury enumerated in this act, in favor of the several  
 18 beneficiaries named in this act for the amount set opposite their  
 19 respective names, upon the presentation of proper vouchers therefor. The  
 20 several amounts appropriated in this act shall be in full payment of any  
 21 and all claims, rights, causes of action, damages, and demands of every  
 22 character and kind owing by or against the State of Nebraska, its  
 23 officers, agents, and employees, and their successors and assigns with  
 24 respect to each of the beneficiaries respectively in whose favor the  
 25 appropriations are made. The director shall not deliver any warrant for  
 26 any items appropriated in this act until a receipt and release in full,  
 27 releasing the State of Nebraska, its officers, employees, and agents, and  
 28 their successors and assigns, has been filed by each of the beneficiaries  
 29 respectively. Upon presentation of the warrants, the State Treasurer is  
 30 hereby directed to pay the same out of money in the General Fund or out  
 31 of money in other funds indicated in this act not otherwise appropriated.

1           Sec. 4. The following requests were filed by state agencies seeking  
2 permission to write off certain accounts. The State Claims Board reviewed  
3 and approved the following requests:

4           \$2,982.24 for Request Number 2021-20733, made by the Board of  
5 Educational Lands and Funds.

6           \$25.46 for Request Number 2021-20734, made by the Legislative  
7 Council.

8           \$23,325.75 for Request Number 2021-20735, made by the Department of  
9 Correctional Services.

10           \$115.00 for Request Number 2021-20736, made by the Supreme Court.

11           \$306.70 for Request Number 2021-20737, made by the Commission for  
12 the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

13           \$783,188.12 for Request Number 2021-20738, made by the Department of  
14 Health and Human Services.

15           \$10,347.76 for Request Number 2021-20740, made by the Department of  
16 Veterans' Affairs.

17           \$86,827.45 for Request Number 2021-20745, made by the Department of  
18 Labor.

19           \$4,758.79 for Request Number 2021-20746, made by the Game and Parks  
20 Commission.

21           \$18,350.50 for Request Number 2021-20747, made by the State Fire  
22 Marshal.

23           \$172,318.19 for Request Number 2021-20748, made by the State  
24 Treasurer.

25           \$637,508.42 for Request Number 2021-20749, made by the Department of  
26 Labor.

27           \$37,056.74 for Request Number 2021-20806, made by the Department of  
28 Environment and Energy.

29           \$25.00 for Request Number 2021-20807, made by the Department of  
30 Insurance.

31           \$2,067.95 for Request Number 2021-20809, made by the Nebraska Public

1 Employees Retirement Systems.

2           Sec. 5.   Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when  
3 passed and approved according to law.