

AMENDMENTS TO LB413

Introduced by Natural Resources.

1 1. Insert the following new sections:

2 Sec. 4. The Environmental Infrastructure Sustainability Fund is
3 created. The fund shall be administered by the department. Revenue from
4 the following sources shall be credited to the fund: (1) Application fees
5 collected under section 5 of this act; (2) reimbursements for actual
6 costs necessary to complete environmental infrastructure sustainability
7 evaluations as authorized under section 3 of this act; (3) supplemental
8 environmental projects resulting from enforcement settlements; and (4)
9 gifts, grants, reimbursements, or appropriations from any source intended
10 to be used for purposes of section 3 of this act. The fund shall be used
11 by the department to offset costs related to the completion of
12 environmental infrastructure sustainability evaluations as authorized by
13 section 3 of this act. Any money in the fund available for investment
14 shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the
15 Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment
16 Act.

17 Sec. 5. Any political subdivision requesting an evaluation
18 authorized under section 3 of this act shall submit a request on a form
19 approved by the department and provide the department with an application
20 fee not to exceed five thousand dollars. If the costs of the department
21 exceed the initial deposit, the department and political subdivision
22 shall enter into an agreement establishing a schedule for the payment of
23 additional costs by the political subdivision. After the completion of
24 the environmental infrastructure sustainability evaluation, any balance
25 of funds paid under this section shall be refunded to the political
26 subdivision.

27 Sec. 6. The council shall adopt and promulgate rules and

1 regulations to establish a tiered application fee schedule to be charged
2 to political subdivisions requesting an environmental infrastructure
3 sustainability evaluation as authorized under section 3 of this act. The
4 rules and regulations shall take into account the population of a
5 political subdivision and any financial hardship that may impact the
6 ability to pay the application fee.

7 2. On page 22, lines 14 and 21, strike "shall" and insert "may".

8 3. On page 23, line 10, strike "section 3" and insert "sections 3 to
9 6".

10 4. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.