## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

## ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 1254**

Introduced by Hansen, B., 16.

Read first time January 20, 2022

Committee: Appropriations

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate federal
- funds to the Department of Health and Human Services; and to declare
- an emergency.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. (1) There is hereby appropriated \$2,000,000 from Federal
- 2 Funds for FY2022-23 to the Department of Health and Human Services, for
- 3 Program 354, for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this
- 4 section. The Federal Funds appropriated in this section are from the
- 5 <u>funds allocated to the State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus</u>
- 6 State Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan
- 7 Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, Subtitle M, Sec. 9901.
- 8 (2)(a) The Department of Health and Human Services shall use the
- 9 <u>funds appropriated in this section for the following purposes:</u>
- (i) Facility upgrades, building maintenance, transportation, and
- 11 <u>construction training for youth who have aged out of the foster care</u>
- 12 system; and
- 13 (ii) To prepare youth who have aged out of the foster care system to
- 14 enter the workforce in Nebraska.
- 15 (b) Any recipient of funding from the Department of Health and Human
- 16 Services pursuant to this section shall:
- 17 <u>(i) Provide low-income housing in a campus environment for youth who</u>
- 18 have aged out of the foster care system; and
- 19 <u>(ii) Require youth who have aged out of the foster care system to</u>
- 20 <u>find employment, attend school, or both.</u>
- 21 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 22 passed and approved according to law.