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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator John Stinner

Committee: Appropriations

Date of Hearing: February 22, 2022

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB1089 appropriates \$60 million in federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to the Department of Health and Human Services to provide supplemental incentive payments for direct care staff employed at licensed and Medicaid-certified nursing facilities. \$45 million is divided proportionately by Medicaid-certified beds. \$15 million is divided equally among facilities with the top 25% of bed-days paid by Medicaid in FY2021-22. Intent language is included that supplemental payments be expended during FY2022-23, FY23-24, and FY24-25.

Principal Introducer:	
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	Senator John Stinner