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LEGISLATIVE BILL 511

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Committee: Appropriations

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds from

2   the General Fund to the Department of Administrative Services; and

3   to declare an emergency.

4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1   Section 1. (1) There is hereby appropriated $26,000,000 from the

2   General Fund for FY2023-24 to the Department of Administrative Services,

3   for Program 101, for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this

4   section.

5   (2) The Department of Administrative Services shall provide the

6   funds appropriated in this section to the office of the Chief Information

7   Officer for the following purposes:

8   (a) Establishing interoperable communications between state agencies

9   and volunteer departments by providing portable and mobile radios,

10   programming, and installation of all radios and equipment; and

11   (b) Training for interoperability with the Statewide Radio System to

12   connect volunteer departments and agencies to the Statewide Radio System

13   through a grant program. Eligibility for such program shall be based on

14   the number and type of radios required for each volunteer department

15   based upon such department's needs and size. The office of the Chief

16   Information Officer shall not charge any subscription, programming, or

17   training fee for any volunteer department connected to the Statewide

18   Radio System after receiving a grant from the program. Priority shall be

19   given to volunteer departments along the National System of Interstate

20   and Defense Highways.

21   (3) For purposes of this section, volunteer department has the same

22   meaning as in section 35-901.

23   Sec. 2.   Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when

24   passed and approved according to law.