

**ASSEMBLY, No. 5405**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**219th LEGISLATURE**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Appropriates \$10 million in federal funds to Department of Agriculture to support food bank organizations.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/1/2021)**

1 A SUPPLEMENT to the Fiscal Year 2021 appropriations act,  
2 P.L.2020, c.97.

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4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and the General Assembly of the  
5 State of New Jersey:

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7 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2020,  
8 c.97, the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2021, and upon  
9 certification by the Director of the Division of Budget and  
10 Accounting in the Department of the Treasury that federal funds to  
11 support the expenditures listed below are available, the following  
12 sum is appropriated:

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**10 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**40 Community Development and Environmental Management**  
**49 Agricultural Resources, Planning, and Regulation**  
**GRANTS-IN-AID**

05-3350	Food and Nutrition Services .....	\$10,000,000
	Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation,	
	Agricultural Resources, Planning, and Regulation.....	\$10,000,000

**Grants-in-Aid:**

05 Coronavirus Relief Fund – Assistance to Food  
Bank Organizations..... (\$10,000,000)

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15 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund  
16 – Assistance to Food Bank Organizations shall be allocated from  
17 a portion of those federal block grant funds allocated to the State  
18 from the “Coronavirus Relief Fund,” established pursuant to the  
19 federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act,”  
20 Pub.L.116-136.

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22 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund  
23 – Assistance to Food Bank Organizations shall be allocated as  
24 follows: the Community Food Bank of New Jersey, \$5,200,000;  
25 the Food Bank of South Jersey, \$1,500,000; Fulfill Monmouth &  
26 Ocean, \$1,500,000; Mercer Street Friends Food Bank,  
27 \$1,100,000; Norwescap, \$300,000; Southern Regional Food  
28 Distribution Center, \$300,000; and Farmers Against Hunger,  
29 \$100,000.

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31 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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34 STATEMENT

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36 This bill appropriates \$10 million to the Department of  
37 Agriculture from a portion of those federal block grant funds  
38 allocated to the State from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund

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1 (CRF) established pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief,  
2 and Economic Security Act,” Pub.L.116-136. The bill requires the  
3 funds to be distributed to seven food bank organizations.