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## P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 112, *approved June 22*, *2021*Assembly, No. 5705

1 A SUPPLEMENT to the Fiscal Year 2021 appropriations act, 2 P.L.2020, c.97. 3 4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and the General Assembly of the 5 State of New Jersey: 6 7 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2020, 8 c.97, the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2021, there is 9 appropriated the following sum for the purpose specified: 10 82 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY 50 Economic Planning, Development, and Security 51 Economic Planning and Development **GRANTS-IN-AID** Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation, Economic Planning and Development ............ \$10,000,000 Grants-in-Aid: 38 Assistance to Child Care Providers, EDA ..... (\$10,000,000) 11 12 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Child Care 13 Providers, EDA, shall be allocated to the New Jersey Economic 14 Development Authority to provide financial assistance to eligible 15 child care providers, pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2021, c.47. The authority may transfer the uncommitted balance of any funds 16 17 hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Child Care Providers, 18 EDA, for the purposes of any program established pursuant to 19 P.L.2021, c.42, P.L.2021, c.43, P.L.2021, c.45, or P.L.2021, c.46, as well as the Sustain and Serve NJ Program and the 20 21 Startup Business and Nonprofit Assistance Program, established , c. 22 pursuant to P.L. (pending before the Legislature as 23 Assembly Bill No. 5708 of 2021 and Senate Bill No. 3795 of 24 2021); provided, however, that the authority shall submit notice 25 to the Joint Budget Oversight Committee no less than five calendar days before the date of the transfer. At a minimum, the 26 27 notice shall indicate the amount of and purpose for the 28 transferred funds. 29 30 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Child Care

Providers, EDA, is conditioned upon the submission of a report

by the Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Economic

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Development Authority to the Governor and the Legislature, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), detailing the expenditure of program funds. At a minimum, the report shall indicate the number of child care providers that applied for financial assistance; the number of child care providers that received financial assistance; the amount of financial assistance provided to each recipient; and a brief description of each recipient.

Of the amounts appropriated to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for Assistance to Food and Beverage Establishments, Assistance to Businesses and Nonprofits, Assistance to Child Care Providers, Assistance to Microbusinesses, the Sustain and Serve NJ Program, and the Startup Business and Nonprofit Assistance Program, the authority may retain not more than \$1,000,000 to defray administrative expenses.

### 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### **STATEMENT**

This bill appropriates \$10 million from the General Fund to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) to support child care providers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

In April 2021, the State enacted P.L.2021, c.47 to provide \$10 million in federal funding to the EDA for disbursement to eligible child care providers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This bill provides \$10 million in additional State funding to support this program. As permitted under P.L.2021, c.47, the bill allows the EDA to transfer uncommitted funds to other programs administered by the authority to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The bill also allows a portion of these funds to be used for administrative expenses.

As a condition of receiving State funds, the bill also requires the EDA to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature detailing the expenditure of program funds. At a minimum, the report would be required to indicate the number of child care providers that applied for financial assistance; the number of child care providers that received financial assistance; the amount of financial assistance provided to each recipient; and a brief description of each recipient.

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