

# SENATE, No. 3523

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 9, 2021

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator DAWN MARIE ADDIEGO**  
**District 8 (Atlantic, Burlington and Camden)**  
**Senator JOSEPH A. LAGANA**  
**District 38 (Bergen and Passaic)**

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**Senators Thompson, Singleton, Cunningham, Cruz-Perez, Diegnan,  
Greenstein, Oroho, O'Scanlon, Ruiz, Sarlo and Testa**

**SYNOPSIS**

Appropriates \$25 million in federal funds to EDA to support microbusinesses in need.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/22/2021)**

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, c.97,  
8 the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2021, there is  
9 appropriated the following sum for the purpose specified:

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**82 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**  
*50 Economic Planning, Development, and Security*  
*51 Economic Planning and Development*

**GRANTS-IN-AID**

38-2043 Economic Development.....	\$25,000,000
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Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation, Economic Planning And Development .....	\$25,000,000
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***Grants-in-Aid:***

38 Coronavirus Relief Fund – Assistance to Microbusinesses, EDA.....	(\$25,000,000)
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12 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund  
13 – Assistance to Microbusinesses, EDA shall be allocated from a  
14 portion of federal block grant funds allocated to the State from  
15 the federal “Coronavirus Relief Fund” established pursuant to the  
16 federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act  
17 (CARES Act),” Pub.L.116-136, or any other federal funds made  
18 available to the State in response to the coronavirus disease 2019  
19 (COVID-19) pandemic.

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21 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund  
22 –Assistance to Microbusinesses, EDA shall be allocated by the  
23 New Jersey Economic Development Authority to entities located  
24 in the State that produce goods or provide services and have 10  
25 or fewer full-time equivalent employees. The New Jersey  
26 Economic Development Authority shall establish minimum grant  
27 eligibility criteria and the size of the grant awards to meet the  
28 needs of the grantee entities in responding to the public health  
29 crisis.

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31 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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35 This bill appropriates \$25 million in federal funds to the  
36 Economic Development Authority (EDA) to award grants for the

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1 public purpose of supporting an important part of the State's  
2 economy affected by the public health crisis. The grants will be  
3 awarded by the EDA to microbusinesses that produce goods or  
4 provide services and have 10 or fewer full-time equivalent  
5 employees and who are in need of support as a result of the public  
6 health crisis.