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SYNOPSIS

Makes \$10 million in federal funds available to EDA to support child care centers in need.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Commerce and Economic Development Committee on March 8, 2021, with amendments.



1 ¹**[A SUPPLEMENT** to the Fiscal Year 2021 appropriations act,
2 P.L.2020, c.97] **AN ACT** making federal funding available to the
3 New Jersey Economic Development Authority to support child
4 care centers in need¹.

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6 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and the General Assembly of the
7 State of New Jersey:

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9 ¹[1. In In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2020,
10 c.97, the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2021, there is
11 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	\$10,000,000
	Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation,	
	Economic Planning and Development.....	<u>\$10,000,000</u>

Grants-in-Aid:

38 Coronavirus Relief Fund – Assistance to Child
Care Centers, EDA..... (\$10,000,000)

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

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23 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund
24 – Assistance to Child Care Centers, EDA shall be allocated by
25 the New Jersey Economic Development Authority child care
26 centers licensed by the Department of Children and Families.
27 The New Jersey Economic Development Authority shall
28 establish minimum grant eligibility criteria and the size of the
29 grant awards to meet the needs of the grantee entities in
30 responding to the public health crisis.]¹

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32 ¹1. a. Subject to the availability of federal funds provided or
33 made accessible to the State via federal block grant funds allocated

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
¹Assembly ACE committee amendments adopted March 8, 2021.

1 to the State from the federal “Coronavirus Relief Fund” established
2 pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic
3 Security Act (CARES Act),” Pub.L.116-136, or any other federal
4 funds made available to the State in response to the coronavirus
5 disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, \$10,000,000 from such
6 federal funds shall be made available to the New Jersey Economic
7 Development Authority for the purposes set forth in subsection b. of
8 this section.

9 b. The funds made available to the New Jersey Economic
10 Development Authority pursuant to subsection a. of this section
11 shall be reserved by the authority to provide financial support, by
12 way of grants, to child care centers licensed by the Department of
13 Children and Families.

14 c. The New Jersey Economic Development Authority shall
15 establish the size of the awards and eligibility of entities in
16 subsection b. of this section to meet the needs of child care
17 centers in responding to the public health crisis.¹

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19 2. This act shall take effect immediately.