

P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 113, *approved June 22, 2021*  
Assembly, No. 5706

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, 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 .....	\$20,000,000
	Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation,	
	Economic Planning and Development .....	\$20,000,000
<b>Grants-in-Aid:</b>		
38	Assistance to Food and Beverage	
	Establishments, EDA .....	(\$20,000,000)

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12    The amount hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Food and  
13        Beverage Establishments, EDA, shall be allocated to the New  
14        Jersey Economic Development Authority to provide financial  
15        assistance to eligible food and beverage establishments, pursuant  
16        to section 1 of P.L.2021, c.45. The authority may transfer the  
17        uncommitted balance of any funds hereinabove appropriated for  
18        Assistance to Food and Beverage Establishments, EDA, for the  
19        purposes of any program established pursuant to P.L.2021, c.42,  
20        P.L.2021, c.43, P.L.2021, c.46, or P.L.2021, c.47, as well as the  
21        Sustain and Serve NJ Program and the Startup Business and  
22        Nonprofit Assistance Program, established pursuant to P.L.     ,  
23        c. (pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 5708  
24        of 2021 and Senate Bill No. 3795 of 2021); provided, however,  
25        that the authority shall submit notice to the Joint Budget  
26        Oversight Committee no less than five calendar days before the  
27        date of the transfer. At a minimum, the notice shall indicate the  
28        amount of and purpose for the transferred funds.  
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30    The amount hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Food and  
31        Beverage Establishments, EDA, is conditioned upon the  
32        submission of a report by the Chief Executive Officer of the New  
33        Jersey Economic Development Authority to the Governor and

1 the Legislature, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164  
2 (C.52:14-19.1), detailing the expenditure of program funds. At a  
3 minimum, the report shall indicate the number of food and  
4 beverage establishments that applied for financial assistance; the  
5 number of food and beverage establishments that received  
6 financial assistance; the amount of financial assistance provided  
7 to each recipient; and a brief description of each recipient.

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

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18 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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## 21 STATEMENT

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23 This bill appropriates \$20 million from the General Fund to the  
24 New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) to support  
25 food and beverage establishments impacted by the COVID-19  
26 pandemic.

27 In April 2021, the State enacted P.L.2021, c.45 to provide \$35  
28 million in federal funding to the EDA for disbursement to eligible  
29 food and beverage establishments impacted by the COVID-19  
30 pandemic. This bill provides \$20 million in additional State  
31 funding to support this program. As permitted under P.L.2021,  
32 c.45, the bill allows the EDA to transfer uncommitted funds to other  
33 programs administered by the authority to address the impact of the  
34 COVID-19 pandemic. The bill also allows a portion of these funds  
35 to be used for administrative expenses.

36 As a condition of receiving State funds, the bill also requires the  
37 EDA to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature  
38 detailing the expenditure of program funds. At a minimum, the  
39 report would be required to indicate the number of food and  
40 beverage establishments that applied for financial assistance; the  
41 number of food and beverage establishments that received financial  
42 assistance; the amount of financial assistance provided to each  
43 recipient; and a brief description of each recipient.

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- 3 pandemic.