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SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$10 million from General Fund to EDA to support child care providers impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.



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A SUPPLEMENT to the Fiscal Year 2021 appropriations act,
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:

7 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2020,

8 c.97, the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2021, there is9 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 Developm	ent	\$10,000,000
Grants-in-Aid:				
	38	Assistance to Child Care		
			(#10.000.000)	

Providers, EDA (\$10,000,000)

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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 child care providers, pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2021, c.47. 15 16 The authority may transfer the uncommitted balance of any funds hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Child Care Providers, 17 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, 20 c.46, as well as the Sustain and Serve NJ Program and the 21 Startup Business and Nonprofit Assistance Program, established 22 pursuant to P.L. (pending before the Legislature as , c. 23 Assembly Bill No. 5708 of 2021 and Senate Bill No. 3795 of 2021); provided, however, that the authority shall submit notice 24 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.

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The amount hereinabove appropriated for Assistance to Child Care 30 Providers, EDA, is conditioned upon the submission of a report 31 32 by the Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Economic 33 Development Authority to the Governor and the Legislature, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), detailing 34 35 the expenditure of program funds. At a minimum, the report shall indicate the number of child care providers that applied for 36 financial assistance; the number of child care providers that 37

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received financial assistance; the amount of financial assistance
provided to each recipient; and a brief description of each
recipient.

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5 Of the amounts appropriated to the New Jersey Economic 6 Development Authority for Assistance to Food and Beverage 7 Establishments, Assistance to Businesses and Nonprofits, 8 Child Care Providers, Assistance Assistance to to 9 Microbusinesses, the Sustain and Serve NJ Program, and the 10 Startup Business and Nonprofit Assistance Program, the 11 authority may retain not more than \$1,000,000 to defray 12 administrative expenses.

- 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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STATEMENT

19 This bill appropriates \$10 million from the General Fund to the 20 New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) to support 21 child care providers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

22 In April 2021, the State enacted P.L.2021, c.47 to provide \$10 23 million in federal funding to the EDA for disbursement to eligible 24 child care providers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This 25 bill provides \$10 million in additional State funding to support this 26 program. As permitted under P.L.2021, c.47, the bill allows the 27 EDA to transfer uncommitted funds to other programs administered by the authority to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. 28 29 The bill also allows a portion of these funds to be used for 30 administrative expenses.

31 As a condition of receiving State funds, the bill also requires the EDA to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature 32 detailing the expenditure of program funds. At a minimum, the 33 report would be required to indicate the number of child care 34 providers that applied for financial assistance; the number of child 35 care providers that received financial assistance; the amount of 36 37 financial assistance provided to each recipient; and a brief description of each recipient. 38