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SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$10 million to EDA to assist certain nonprofit arts and cultural organizations negatively impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT allocating federal funding to support the operations of
2 nonprofit arts and cultural organizations in this State and making
3 an appropriation.
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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:
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8 1. a. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the New
9 Jersey Economic Development Authority the sum of \$10,000,000
10 from a portion of those federal block grant funds allocated to the
11 State from the federal “Coronavirus Relief Fund,” established
12 pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic
13 Security Act,” Pub.L.116-136. The authority shall use the funds
14 received pursuant to this section to provide financial support, by
15 way of grants, to nonprofit arts and cultural organizations in the
16 State that have experienced a 50 percent or greater reduction in
17 revenue, not including tax-deductible charitable donations, in any
18 monthly period from March 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020, as
19 compared to the same period in 2019.

20 b. The authority shall adopt rules and regulations pursuant to
21 the “Administrative Procedure Act,” P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-
22 1 et seq.), to effectuate the purposes of this act.
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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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29 This bill appropriates \$10 million to the New Jersey Economic
30 Development Authority from a portion of those federal block grant
31 funds allocated to the State from the federal “Coronavirus Relief
32 Fund,” established pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief,
33 and Economic Security (CARES) Act,” Pub.L.116-136. The EDA
34 is to use the funds to provide financial support, by way of grants, to
35 nonprofit arts and cultural organizations that have experienced a 50
36 percent or greater reduction in revenue, not including tax-deductible
37 charitable donations, in any monthly period from March 1, 2020 to
38 August 31, 2020, as compared to the same period in 2019. By
39 providing this funding, this bill supports an important part of the
40 State’s economy and helps to preserve the State’s cultural
41 institutions.