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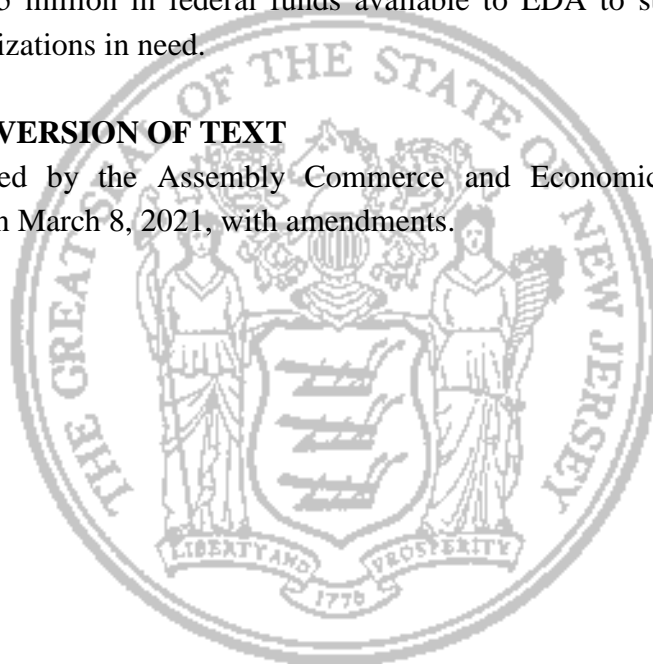
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SYNOPSIS

Makes \$15 million in federal funds available to EDA to support arts and culture organizations in need.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

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



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/15/2021)

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 arts
4 and culture organizations 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 ¹1. 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	\$15,000,000
	Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation, Economic Planning and Development.....	\$15,000,000

Grants-in-Aid:

38 Coronavirus Relief Fund – Assistance to Arts
and Culture Organizations, EDA..... (\$15,000,000)

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14 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund
15 –Assistance to Arts and Culture, EDA shall be allocated from a
16 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 Arts and Culture, EDA shall be allocated by the
25 New Jersey Economic Development Authority to arts and
26 cultural organizations in the State; provided that, not less than
27 \$7,500,000 shall be allocated to the New Jersey Council on the
28 Arts for the purposes of issuing grants to nonprofit arts and
29 cultural entities. The New Jersey Economic Development
30 Authority shall establish minimum grant eligibility criteria and
31 the size of the grant awards to meet the needs of the grantee
32 entities in responding to the public health crisis. ¹

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34 ¹1. a. Subject to the availability of federal funds provided or

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 made accessible to the State via federal block grant funds allocated
2 to the State from the federal “Coronavirus Relief Fund” established
3 pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic
4 Security Act (CARES Act),” Pub.L.116-136, or any other federal
5 funds made available to the State in response to the coronavirus
6 disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, \$15,000,000 from such
7 federal funds shall be made available to the New Jersey Economic
8 Development Authority for the purposes set forth in subsection b. of
9 this section.

10 b. The funds made available to the New Jersey Economic
11 Development Authority pursuant to subsection a. of this section
12 shall be reserved by the authority to provide financial support, by
13 way of grants, to arts and culture organizations; provided, however,
14 the authority shall allocate not less than \$7,500,000 to the New
15 Jersey Council on the Arts for the purposes of issuing grants to
16 nonprofit entities.

17 c. The New Jersey Economic Development Authority shall
18 establish the size of the awards and eligibility of entities in
19 subsection b. of this section to meet the needs of arts and culture
20 organizations in responding to the public health crisis.¹

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22 2. This act shall take effect immediately.