

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL****No. 109** Session of  
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SENATOR BROWNE, APPROPRIATIONS, RE-REPORTED AS AMENDED,  
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## AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), entitled  
2 "An act relating to the finances of the State government;  
3 providing for cancer control, prevention and research, for  
4 ambulatory surgical center data collection, for the Joint  
5 Underwriting Association, for entertainment business  
6 financial management firms, for private dam financial  
7 assurance and for reinstatement of item vetoes; providing for  
8 the settlement, assessment, collection, and lien of taxes,  
9 bonus, and all other accounts due the Commonwealth, the  
10 collection and recovery of fees and other money or property  
11 due or belonging to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,  
12 including escheated property and the proceeds of its sale,  
13 the custody and disbursement or other disposition of funds  
14 and securities belonging to or in the possession of the  
15 Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims against the  
16 Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and appeals to the  
17 courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to the  
18 Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth and  
19 all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting  
20 moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,  
21 and all receipts of appropriations from the Commonwealth,  
22 authorizing the Commonwealth to issue tax anticipation notes  
23 to defray current expenses, implementing the provisions of  
24 section 7(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of  
25 Pennsylvania authorizing and restricting the incurring of  
26 certain debt and imposing penalties; affecting every  
27 department, board, commission, and officer of the State  
28 government, every political subdivision of the State, and  
29 certain officers of such subdivisions, every person,  
30 association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or  
31 collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws  
32 imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or  
33 other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof,  
34 every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the

Commonwealth," in emergency COVID-19 response, repealing  
provisions relating to Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.  
IN EMERGENCY COVID-19 RESPONSE, ESTABLISHING THE HOSPITALITY  
INDUSTRY RECOVERY PROGRAM, PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY EDUCATION  
RELIEF TO NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND FOR EMERGENCY EDUCATION  
RELIEF TO AREA CAREER AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, INTERMEDIATE  
UNITS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES AND REPEALING PROVISIONS  
RELATING TO PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY; ESTABLISHING  
THE RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM; IN  
ADDITIONAL SPECIAL FUNDS AND RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS, PROVIDING  
FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECURITY FUND TRANSFER TO COVID-19  
RESPONSE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT; IN 2020-2021 RESTRICTIONS ON  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR  
FUND TRANSFERS; AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
hereby enacts as follows:

~~Section 1. Subarticle J of Article I-C of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code is repealed:~~

~~†SUBARTICLE J~~

~~PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY~~

~~Section 190 C. Definitions.~~

~~The following words and phrases when used in this subarticle shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:~~

~~"Agency." The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.~~

~~"Eligible landlord." An individual or entity owning a place of residence that leases the residence to an individual and that experienced a loss of rental income because the lessee became unemployed after March 1, 2020, or the lessee had their annual household income reduced by 30% or more due to reduced work hours and wages related to COVID-19. The loss of rental income must be at least 30 days past due.~~

~~"Lessee." An individual who leases a place of residence in which the individual will permanently reside.~~

~~Section 191 C. Mortgage and Rental Assistance Program.~~

~~(a) Establishment of program. The agency shall establish the COVID Relief Mortgage and Rental Assistance Grant Program.~~

~~(b) Purpose of the program. The program shall receive applications from lessees, landlords, mortgagees and mortgagors and award grants to eligible landlords and mortgagees in accordance with this act.~~

~~(c) Use of funds. Money appropriated to the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency for COVID Relief Mortgage and Rental Assistance shall be used to make grants under this subarticle.~~

~~(d) Allocation. The agency shall allocate a minimum of \$150,000,000 of the funds received for use under this subarticle for rental assistance grants.~~

~~(e) Guidelines. The agency shall establish guidelines that are consistent with the provisions of this subarticle within 30 days of the effective date of this section. The guidelines shall be:~~

~~(1) submitted to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin; and~~

~~(2) posted on the agency's publicly accessible Internet website.~~

~~(f) (Reserved).~~

~~(g) Program requirements. The following shall apply:~~

~~(1) An eligible lessee, mortgagor, landlord or mortgagee shall submit to the agency the name of the lessee or mortgagor from whom rental or mortgage payments are sought, along with any additional information deemed necessary by the agency to carry out the agency's responsibilities under this section.~~

~~(2) Assistance may be awarded to lessors or mortgagees on behalf of lessees or mortgagors who became unemployed after March 1, 2020, or had their annual household income reduced by 30% or more due to reduced work hours and wages~~

1 ~~related to COVID-19.~~

2 ~~(3) The agency shall develop an application for eligible~~  
3 ~~lessees, mortgagors, landlords or mortgagees to apply for~~  
4 ~~assistance under this section within 30 days of the effective~~  
5 ~~date of this section. The application shall include an~~  
6 ~~attestation by the landlord or mortgagee releasing the lessee~~  
7 ~~or mortgagor of any remaining obligation for any past due or~~  
8 ~~future rent or mortgage payment for which the agency pays the~~  
9 ~~landlord or mortgagee. The application shall be made~~  
10 ~~available and posted on the agency's publicly accessible~~  
11 ~~Internet website and be in a form that can be completed and~~  
12 ~~returned by the lessee, mortgagor, landlord or mortgagee~~  
13 ~~electronically or through the United States mail. The~~  
14 ~~deadline for submitting applications to the agency shall be~~  
15 ~~September 30, 2020.~~

16 ~~(4) The agency shall verify the name of the lessee or~~  
17 ~~mortgagor with the Department of Labor and Industry's Bureau~~  
18 ~~of Unemployment Compensation to ensure the lessee or~~  
19 ~~mortgagor became unemployed after March 1, 2020.~~

20 ~~(5) The agency shall require any applicant seeking~~  
21 ~~assistance based on reduced work hours or wages related to~~  
22 ~~the coronavirus pandemic to submit information verifying such~~  
23 ~~information.~~

24 ~~(6) The agency shall make payments only to lessors or~~  
25 ~~mortgagees.~~

26 ~~(7) The agency shall make payments only on behalf of~~  
27 ~~households with an annualized current income of no more than~~  
28 ~~the upper limit of "median income" as defined in guidelines~~  
29 ~~published annually by the United States Department of Housing~~  
30 ~~and Urban Development.~~

1       ~~(8) The agency shall notify each lessee or mortgagor of~~  
2 ~~the amount of payment made to the landlord or mortgagee on~~  
3 ~~the lessee's or mortgagor's behalf.~~

4       ~~(9) The agency shall make payments as follows:~~

5           ~~(i) For rental assistance, an amount equal to 100%~~  
6 ~~of the lessee's monthly rent, not to exceed \$750 per~~  
7 ~~month, for each month for which assistance is sought for~~  
8 ~~a maximum of six months. Payments shall be made no later~~  
9 ~~than November 30, 2020.~~

10          ~~(ii) For mortgage assistance, an amount equal to~~  
11 ~~100% of the mortgagor's monthly mortgage, not to exceed~~  
12 ~~\$1,000 per month, for each month for which assistance is~~  
13 ~~sought for a maximum of six months. Payments shall be~~  
14 ~~made no later than November 30, 2020.~~

15       ~~(h) Report. By December 31, 2020, the agency shall issue a~~  
16 ~~report to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the~~  
17 ~~Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and~~  
18 ~~minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the~~  
19 ~~House of Representatives and post the report on the agency's~~  
20 ~~publicly accessible Internet website. The report shall include~~  
21 ~~the following information:~~

22           ~~(1) The total number of landlords who applied for~~  
23 ~~assistance under this section.~~

24           ~~(2) The total number of mortgagees who applied for~~  
25 ~~assistance under this section.~~

26           ~~(3) The total amount of assistance that was sought.~~

27           ~~(4) The average amount of assistance that was applied~~  
28 ~~for under this section.~~

29           ~~(5) The average amount of assistance that was provided~~  
30 ~~under this section.~~

~~(6) The total number of landlords and mortgagees who received assistance under this section by county.~~

~~(7) The value of payments made by the agency under this section by county.~~

~~Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.~~

SECTION 1. THE ACT OF APRIL 9, 1929 (P.L.343, NO.176), KNOWN <--  
AS THE FISCAL CODE, IS AMENDED BY ADDING SECTIONS TO READ:

SECTION 134-C. HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY RECOVERY PROGRAM.

(A) COUNTY BLOCK GRANTS.--FROM MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE  
DEPARTMENT FOR COVID RELIEF - COUNTY BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY  
INDUSTRY RECOVERY PROGRAM, EACH COUNTY SHALL RECEIVE AN AMOUNT  
EQUAL TO THE POPULATION PROPORTION AMOUNT AS DETERMINED BY  
PARAGRAPH (2). THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

(1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DISTRIBUTE FUNDING TO COUNTIES  
UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, 2021.

(2) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE POPULATION  
PROPORTION AMOUNT SHALL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:

(I) DIVIDE:

(A) THE POPULATION ESTIMATE OF THE COUNTY; BY

(B) THE SUM OF THE POPULATION ESTIMATES OF ALL  
COUNTIES; AND

(II) MULTIPLY THE QUOTIENT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) BY  
THE TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR COVID RELIEF - COUNTY  
BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY RECOVERY PROGRAM.

(3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, A COUNTY'S  
POPULATION SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE PUBLISHED ESTIMATE BY THE  
UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU POPULATION ESTIMATES PROGRAM FOR  
CALENDAR YEAR 2019.

(B) COUNTY BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY RECOVERY  
PROGRAM.--THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY RECOVERY

1 PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. THE FOLLOWING  
2 SHALL APPLY TO THE PROGRAM:

3 (1) NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2021, EACH COUNTY THAT  
4 RECEIVES A BLOCK GRANT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL CONTRACT WITH  
5 ONE OR MORE CEDO DESIGNATED TO SERVE THAT COUNTY TO AWARD  
6 GRANTS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

7 (2) SUBJECT TO THE PROHIBITION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II),  
8 GRANTS MAY BE AWARDED TO ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS FOR THE PURPOSE  
9 OF ALLEVIATING REVENUE LOSSES AND PAYING ELIGIBLE OPERATING  
10 EXPENSES. THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY TO GRANTS AWARDED UNDER  
11 THIS SUBSECTION:

12 (I) A GRANT AWARDED TO AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT UNDER  
13 THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED \$50,000.

14 (II) A GRANT MAY NOT BE AWARDED TO PAY FOR THE SAME  
15 ELIGIBLE OPERATING EXPENSES FOR WHICH AN ELIGIBLE  
16 APPLICANT RECEIVES OR RECEIVED PAYMENT, REIMBURSEMENT OR  
17 LOAN FORGIVENESS FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:

18 (A) THE CARES ACT OR CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS  
19 ACT, 2021 MONEY THAT IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE REPAID TO  
20 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

21 (B) THE ACT OF MAY 29, 2020 (P.L. , NO.2A),  
22 KNOWN AS THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENT TO THE  
23 GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OF 2019.

24 (3) THE RECEIPT OF A LOAN OR GRANT ISSUED UNDER THE  
25 AUTHORITY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR THE COMMONWEALTH  
26 SHALL NOT DISQUALIFY AN APPLICANT FROM ELIGIBILITY FOR A  
27 GRANT UNDER THIS SECTION.

28 (4) PRIORITY IN THE AWARDING OF GRANTS SHALL BE GIVEN TO  
29 ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS THAT:

30 (I) HAVE NOT RECEIVED A LOAN OR GRANT ISSUED UNDER

1 THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OR THE COMMONWEALTH'S  
2 POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OR BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNDER  
3 THE CARES ACT OR CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021;

4 (II) WERE SUBJECT TO CLOSURE BY THE PROCLAMATION OF  
5 DISASTER EMERGENCY ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR ON MARCH 6,  
6 2020, PUBLISHED AT 50 PA.B. 1644 (MARCH 21, 2020), AND  
7 ANY RENEWAL OF THE STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY; OR

8 (III) CAN DEMONSTRATE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

9 (A) A REDUCTION IN REVENUE OF 50% OR MORE FOR  
10 THE PERIOD BEGINNING AFTER MARCH 31, 2020, AND ENDING  
11 BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2020, IN COMPARISON TO THE PERIOD  
12 BEGINNING AFTER MARCH 31, 2019, AND ENDING BEFORE  
13 DECEMBER 31, 2019.

14 (B) IF THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT WAS NOT IN  
15 OPERATION DURING THE ENTIRE COMPARISON PERIOD UNDER  
16 CLAUSE (A), BUT WAS IN OPERATION ON FEBRUARY 15,  
17 2020, A MONTHLY AVERAGE REDUCTION IN REVENUE OF 50%  
18 OR MORE FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING AFTER MARCH 31,  
19 2020, AND ENDING BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2020, IN  
20 COMPARISON TO THE PERIOD BEGINNING AFTER JANUARY 1,  
21 2020, AND ENDING BEFORE APRIL 1, 2020.

22 (5) THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY TO APPLICATIONS:

23 (I) APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL  
24 BE IN A FORM DETERMINED BY A COUNTY WITH INPUT FROM A  
25 CEDO PROCESSING THE APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF A COUNTY  
26 AND SHALL CONTAIN DOCUMENTATION AS REQUIRED BY THE  
27 COUNTY. APPLICATIONS SHALL BE AVAILABLE ELECTRONICALLY.

28 (II) BY MARCH 15, 2021, EACH CEDO SHALL RECEIVE  
29 APPLICATIONS ON A ROLLING BASIS UNTIL FUNDING FOR GRANTS  
30 RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER SUBSECTION (A) IN WHICH THE

CEDO IS DESIGNATED TO PERFORM SERVICES HAS BEEN  
EXHAUSTED, OR JUNE 15, 2021, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST.

(6) THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY TO REVIEWING APPLICATIONS:

(I) BY JULY 15, 2021, EACH CEDO SHALL APPROVE OR  
DISAPPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS UNDER THE PROGRAM.

(II) UPON APPROVING A GRANT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I),  
A CEDO SHALL CONTRACT WITH THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT THROUGH  
ELECTRONIC MEANS IN ORDER TO AWARD THE GRANT.

(III) THE CONTRACT REQUIRED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II)  
SHALL EXPLAIN THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT,  
INCLUDING EACH APPLICABLE LAW, STATUTE AND REPORTING  
REQUIREMENT.

(IV) THE CONTRACT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II) MUST BE  
ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE CEDO THAT  
APPROVED THE APPLICATION.

(7) AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT MAKING APPLICATION TO THE PROGRAM  
MUST CERTIFY IN GOOD FAITH TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:

(I) THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT WAS IN OPERATION ON  
FEBRUARY 15, 2020, AND, IF REQUIRED, PAID INCOME TAXES TO  
THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT, AS REPORTED ON  
INDIVIDUAL OR BUSINESS TAX RETURNS.

(II) THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT REMAINS IN OPERATION AND  
DOES NOT INTEND TO PERMANENTLY CEASE OPERATIONS WITHIN  
ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF APPLICATION.

(III) COVID-19 HAS HAD AN ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON  
THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT WHICH MAKES THE GRANT REQUEST  
NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE ONGOING OPERATIONS OF THE  
ELIGIBLE APPLICANT.

(IV) THE GRANT WILL BE USED TO PAY FOR COVID-19-

1 RELATED ECONOMIC IMPACTS.

2 (V) DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2021,  
3 AND ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2021, THE APPLICANT HAS NOT AND  
4 WILL NOT RECEIVE ANOTHER GRANT UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

5 (VI) AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT OR AUTHORIZED  
6 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT MUST CERTIFY  
7 THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN AN APPLICATION TO THE  
8 PROGRAM AND THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN ALL SUPPORTING  
9 DOCUMENTS AND FORMS IS TRUE AND ACCURATE IN ALL MATERIAL  
10 RESPECTS. AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT OR AN AUTHORIZED  
11 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT THAT KNOWINGLY  
12 MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT TO OBTAIN A GRANT UNDER THE  
13 PROGRAM IS PUNISHABLE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY AND FINES  
14 PURSUANT TO 18 PA.C.S. § 4904 (RELATING TO UNSWORN  
15 FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES).

16 (8) THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY TO THE AWARDING OF GRANTS  
17 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION:

18 (I) A CEDO CONTRACTED TO AWARD GRANTS MAY AWARD  
19 GRANTS IN INCREMENTS OF \$5,000, NOT TO EXCEED THE  
20 LIMITATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(I).

21 (II) A FULLY EXECUTED CONTRACT AS REQUIRED UNDER  
22 PARAGRAPH (6) IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO DISBURSEMENT OF GRANT  
23 FUNDS.

24 (III) THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ALL GRANTS AWARDED MAY  
25 NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY  
26 UNDER SUBSECTION (A) IN WHICH THE CEDO IS DESIGNATED TO  
27 PERFORM SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY  
28 INDUSTRY RECOVERY PROGRAM.

29 (9) A CEDO MAY CHARGE A FEE NOT TO EXCEED \$750 PER  
30 COMPLETED GRANT APPLICATION AND, IN ADDITION, UP TO 1% OF THE

1 AMOUNT OF A GRANT AWARD. FEES CHARGED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH  
2 SHALL BE DEDUCTED FROM THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY DISTRIBUTED  
3 TO THE COUNTY UNDER SUBSECTION (A) IN WHICH THE CEDO IS  
4 DESIGNATED TO PERFORM SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT -  
5 HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY RECOVERY PROGRAM AND MAY NOT REDUCE THE  
6 AMOUNT OF THE GRANT AWARDED TO AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT.

7 (10) EACH GRANT AWARDED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE  
8 PAID TO ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS BY JULY 31, 2021.

9 (11) A COUNTY PROVIDING GRANTS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION  
10 SHALL COMPILE A REPORT, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

11 (I) A LIST OF EACH GRANT AWARDED UNDER THE PROGRAM.

12 (II) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH GRANT RECIPIENT.

13 (III) THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT AND A DESCRIPTION OF  
14 THE FINANCIAL IMPACT TO THE GRANTEE FOR WHICH THE GRANT  
15 WAS AWARDED.

16 (IV) THE NAME OF THE CEDO THAT PROCESSED THE GRANT.

17 (12) A REPORT REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (11) SHALL BE  
18 SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY AUGUST 31, 2021. THE  
19 DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A CONSOLIDATED REPORT WITH  
20 INFORMATION FROM ALL COUNTIES AND SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT TO  
21 THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
22 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE CHAIRPERSON  
23 AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF  
24 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2021. THE  
25 REPORT SHALL ALSO BE POSTED AND MAINTAINED ON THE COUNTY'S  
26 AND DEPARTMENT'S PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET WEBSITE.

27 (13) A CEDO PROCESSING GRANTS ON BEHALF OF A COUNTY  
28 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION TO THE  
29 DEPARTMENT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL, UPON REQUEST, FOR PURPOSES  
30 OF AN AUDIT REVIEW.

1 (C) RETURN OF UNUSED FUNDS.--A COUNTY RECEIVING A BLOCK  
2 GRANT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) THAT DOES NOT EXPEND ITS ENTIRE  
3 DISTRIBUTION ON THE PROGRAM BY AUGUST 1, 2021, SHALL RETURN ANY  
4 UNUSED FUNDS TO THE STATE TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE  
5 WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECURITY FUND.

6 (D) REVIEW.--THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE  
7 FOLLOWING:

8 (1) ARTICLE II OF THE ACT OF JULY 31, 1968 (P.L.769,  
9 NO.240), REFERRED TO AS THE COMMONWEALTH DOCUMENTS LAW.

10 (2) SECTIONS 204(B) AND 301(10) OF THE ACT OCTOBER 15,  
11 1980 (P.L.950, NO.164), KNOWN AS THE COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEYS  
12 ACT.

13 (3) THE ACT OF JUNE 25, 1982 (P.L.633, NO.181), KNOWN AS  
14 THE REGULATORY REVIEW ACT.

15 (E) DEFINITIONS.--THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED  
16 IN THIS SECTION SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS  
17 SUBSECTION UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

18 "CERTIFIED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION" OR "CEDO." AN  
19 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION THAT HAS BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE  
20 PENNSYLVANIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OR AN ECONOMIC  
21 DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES MORE THAN ONE COUNTY AND IS  
22 ACCREDITED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

23 "CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021." THE CONSOLIDATED  
24 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 (P.L.116-260).

25 "DEPARTMENT." THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC  
26 DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

27 "ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION." A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT  
28 DISTRICT, AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, INDUSTRIAL RESOURCE  
29 CENTER, REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL  
30 INSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER NONPROFIT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1 ORGANIZATION THAT IS CERTIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
2 PENNSYLVANIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY LOAN PROGRAM.

3 "ELIGIBLE APPLICANT." A FOR-PROFIT ENTITY THAT MEETS EACH OF  
4 THE FOLLOWING:

5 (1) IS NOT PUBLICLY TRADED.

6 (2) EXPERIENCED A REDUCTION IN REVENUE IN CALENDAR YEAR  
7 2020, MEASURED AS FOLLOWS:

8 (I) THE APPLICANT HAD GROSS RECEIPTS DURING THE  
9 FIRST, SECOND, THIRD OR FOURTH QUARTER IN CALENDAR YEAR  
10 2020 THAT DEMONSTRATE AT LEAST A 25% REDUCTION FROM THE  
11 APPLICANT'S GROSS RECEIPTS DURING THE SAME QUARTER IN  
12 CALENDAR YEAR 2019;

13 (II) IF THE APPLICANT WAS NOT IN BUSINESS DURING THE  
14 FIRST OR SECOND QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR 2019, BUT WAS IN  
15 BUSINESS DURING THE THIRD AND FOURTH QUARTERS OF CALENDAR  
16 YEAR 2019, THE APPLICANT HAD GROSS RECEIPTS DURING THE  
17 FIRST, SECOND, THIRD OR FOURTH QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR  
18 2020 THAT DEMONSTRATE AT LEAST A 25% REDUCTION FROM THE  
19 APPLICANT'S GROSS RECEIPTS DURING THE THIRD OR FOURTH  
20 QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR 2019;

21 (III) IF THE APPLICANT WAS NOT IN BUSINESS DURING  
22 THE FIRST, SECOND OR THIRD QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR 2019,  
23 BUT WAS IN BUSINESS DURING THE FOURTH QUARTER OF CALENDAR  
24 YEAR 2019, THE APPLICANT HAD GROSS RECEIPTS DURING THE  
25 FIRST, SECOND, THIRD OR FOURTH QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR  
26 2020 THAT DEMONSTRATE AT LEAST A 25% REDUCTION FROM THE  
27 FOURTH QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR 2019;

28 (IV) IF THE APPLICANT WAS NOT IN BUSINESS DURING  
29 CALENDAR YEAR 2019, BUT WAS IN OPERATION ON FEBRUARY 15,  
30 2020, THE APPLICANT HAD GROSS RECEIPTS DURING THE SECOND,

1 THIRD OR FOURTH QUARTER OF CALENDAR YEAR 2020 THAT  
2 DEMONSTRATE AT LEAST A 25% REDUCTION FROM THE GROSS  
3 RECEIPTS OF THE ENTITY DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF  
4 CALENDAR YEAR 2020; OR

5 (V) AN APPLICANT THAT WAS IN OPERATION IN ALL FOUR  
6 QUARTERS OF CALENDAR YEAR 2019 IS DEEMED TO HAVE  
7 EXPERIENCED THE REVENUE REDUCTION IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) IF  
8 THE APPLICANT EXPERIENCED A REDUCTION IN ANNUAL RECEIPTS  
9 OF AT LEAST 25% IN 2020 COMPARED TO 2019 AND THE  
10 APPLICANT PROVIDES COPIES OF ITS ANNUAL FEDERAL TAX FORMS  
11 SUBSTANTIATING THE REVENUE DECLINE.

12 (VI) IF AN APPLICANT CHANGED OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL IN  
13 CALENDAR YEAR 2020, THE APPLICANT MAY MEASURE ITS  
14 REDUCTION IN REVENUE IN CALENDAR YEAR 2020 UNDER  
15 SUBPARAGRAPHS (I), (II), (III), (IV) OR (V) USING THE  
16 GROSS RECEIPTS OF THE ENTITY FOR 2019.

17 (3) MEETS EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AS OF  
18 FEBRUARY 15, 2020:

19 (I) OPERATES A PLACE OF BUSINESS WITHIN THIS  
20 COMMONWEALTH HAVING A NAICS DESIGNATION WITHIN THE  
21 ACCOMMODATION SUBSECTOR (721) OR FOOD SERVICES AND  
22 DRINKING PLACES SUBSECTOR (722) AND WHERE ACCOMMODATIONS,  
23 FOOD OR DRINK IS SERVED TO OR PROVIDED FOR THE PUBLIC,  
24 WITH OR WITHOUT CHARGE.

25 (II) HAS FEWER THAN 500 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT  
26 EMPLOYEES. FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE NUMBER OF  
27 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, THE  
28 CALCULATION SHALL INCLUDE EACH EMPLOYEE OF THE ELIGIBLE  
29 APPLICANT NOTWITHSTANDING WHETHER THE ELIGIBLE APPLICANT  
30 HAS EMPLOYEES AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS.

1           (III) HAS A MAXIMUM TANGIBLE NET WORTH OF NOT MORE  
2           THAN \$15,000,000 COMPUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY  
3           ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES.

4           "ELIGIBLE OPERATING EXPENSE." AN OPERATING EXPENSE,  
5           INCLUDING A PAYROLL AND NONPAYROLL EXPENSE, THAT IS BOTH  
6           ORDINARY AND NECESSARY. AN ORDINARY EXPENSE IS ONE THAT IS  
7           COMMON AND ACCEPTED IN AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT'S INDUSTRY. A  
8           NECESSARY EXPENSE IS ONE THAT IS HELPFUL AND APPROPRIATE FOR AN  
9           ELIGIBLE APPLICANT'S TRADE OR BUSINESS. FOR PURPOSES OF  
10          DETERMINING AN ELIGIBLE OPERATING EXPENSE, THE FOLLOWING  
11          LIMITATIONS SHALL APPLY:

12           (1) THE OPERATING EXPENSE MUST HAVE BEEN INCURRED  
13           BETWEEN MARCH 1, 2020, AND JUNE 15, 2021, OR PRIOR TO  
14           SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (B), WHICHEVER  
15           OCCURS FIRST.

16           (2) FOR A MORTGAGE OBLIGATION, THE MORTGAGE MUST HAVE  
17           BEEN IN FORCE BEFORE FEBRUARY 15, 2020.

18           (3) FOR RENT, UNDER LEASE AGREEMENTS, THE LEASE  
19           AGREEMENT MUST HAVE BEEN IN FORCE BEFORE FEBRUARY 15, 2020.

20           (4) FOR UTILITY COSTS, SERVICE MUST HAVE BEGUN BEFORE  
21           FEBRUARY 15, 2020.

22           (5) IF AN EXISTING MORTGAGE OBLIGATION OR LEASE  
23           AGREEMENT IN FORCE BEFORE FEBRUARY 15, 2020, IS REFINANCED OR  
24           RESTRUCTURED AFTER FEBRUARY 15, 2020, THE MORTGAGE OBLIGATION  
25           OR LEASE AGREEMENT IS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN IN FORCE BEFORE  
26           FEBRUARY 15, 2020.

27           "FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEE." THE QUOTIENT OBTAINED BY  
28           DIVIDING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS FOR WHICH EMPLOYEES WERE  
29           COMPENSATED FOR EMPLOYMENT OVER THE PRECEDING 12-MONTH PERIOD BY  
30           2,080.

1 "GROSS RECEIPTS." REVENUE IN WHATEVER FORM RECEIVED OR  
2 ACCRUED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENTITY'S ACCOUNTING METHOD, FROM  
3 WHATEVER SOURCE, INCLUDING FROM THE SALES OF PRODUCTS OR  
4 SERVICES, INTEREST, DIVIDENDS, RENTS, ROYALTIES, FEES OR  
5 COMMISSIONS, REDUCED BY RETURNS AND ALLOWANCES. THE TERM DOES  
6 NOT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

7 (1) TAXES COLLECTED FOR AND REMITTED TO A TAXING  
8 AUTHORITY IF INCLUDED IN GROSS OR TOTAL INCOME, SUCH AS SALES  
9 OR OTHER TAXES COLLECTED FROM CUSTOMERS AND EXCLUDING TAXES  
10 LEVIED ON THE CONCERN OR ITS EMPLOYEES;

11 (2) PROCEEDS FROM TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN A CONCERN AND ITS  
12 DOMESTIC OR FOREIGN AFFILIATES; AND

13 (3) AMOUNTS COLLECTED FOR ANOTHER BY A TRAVEL AGENT,  
14 REAL ESTATE AGENT, ADVERTISING AGENT OR CONFERENCE MANAGEMENT  
15 SERVICE PROVIDER.

16 "NAICS." A CLASSIFICATION WITHIN THE NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY  
17 CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM DEVELOPED FOR USE BY FEDERAL STATISTICAL  
18 AGENCIES FOR THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION OF  
19 STATISTICAL DATA RELATED TO THE UNITED STATES ECONOMY.

20 "PROGRAM." THE COUNTY BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY  
21 RECOVERY PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B).  
22 SECTION 141-C. EMERGENCY EDUCATION RELIEF TO NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS.

23 (A) APPLICATION AND REPORTING.--FROM MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR  
24 COVID RELIEF - GEER - EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS  
25 DURING THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

26 (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE TO  
27 NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR MONEY UNDER  
28 THIS SECTION A NOTICE AND APPLICATION WHICH INCLUDES THE  
29 APPROPRIATE USES OF THE MONEY AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION  
30 REQUIRED. THE NOTICE AND APPLICATION SHALL BE PROVIDED NO

1 LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE COMMONWEALTH RECEIVES THE MONEY  
2 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

3 (2) THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL APPROVE OR DENY AN  
4 APPLICATION UNDER THIS SECTION NO LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER  
5 THE RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION.

6 (3) THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL SUBMIT AN INTERIM  
7 REPORT TO THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
8 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE, THE CHAIRPERSON AND  
9 MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE  
10 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY  
11 CHAIRPERSON OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE  
12 CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE EDUCATION  
13 COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 90 DAYS AFTER AN  
14 AWARD OF MONEY IS MADE UNDER THIS SECTION. THE REPORT SHALL  
15 INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF APPROVED AND DENIED APPLICATIONS, THE  
16 AMOUNT OF EACH AWARD AND THE INTENDED USES OF THE MONEY AS  
17 STATED IN THE APPLICATIONS.

18 (4) THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL SUBMIT A FINAL  
19 REPORT TO THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
20 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE, THE CHAIRPERSON AND  
21 MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE  
22 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY  
23 CHAIRPERSON OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE  
24 CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE EDUCATION  
25 COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BY JANUARY 1, 2022.  
26 THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF APPROVED AND DENIED  
27 APPLICATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION, THE AMOUNT OF EACH AWARD AND  
28 THE INTENDED USES OF THE MONEY AS STATED IN THE APPLICATIONS.

29 (B) DEFINITION.--AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE TERM "GEER"  
30 MEANS THE GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY EDUCATION RELIEF FUND DESCRIBED

1 UNDER FEDERAL LAW.

2 SECTION 142-C. EMERGENCY EDUCATION RELIEF TO AREA CAREER AND  
3 TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, INTERMEDIATE UNITS AND OTHER  
4 EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES.

5 (A) GENERAL RULE.--FROM MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR COVID RELIEF  
6 - GEER DURING THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, THE FOLLOWING SHALL  
7 APPLY:

8 (1) THE AMOUNT OF \$17,500,000 SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO  
9 AREA CAREER AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AS FOLLOWS:

10 (I) MULTIPLY THE AMOUNT RECEIVED BY THE AREA CAREER  
11 AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL FROM THE SECONDARY CAREER AND  
12 TECHNICAL EDUCATION SUBSIDY UNDER SECTION 2502.8 OF THE  
13 ACT OF MARCH 10, 1949 (P.L.30, NO.14), KNOWN AS THE  
14 PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF 1949, FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020 BY  
15 \$17,500,000.

16 (II) DIVIDE THE PRODUCT FROM SUBPARAGRAPH (I) BY THE  
17 SUM OF THE AMOUNTS RECEIVED BY AREA CAREER AND TECHNICAL  
18 SCHOOLS FROM THE SECONDARY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION  
19 SUBSIDY UNDER SECTION 2502.8 OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF  
20 1949 FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020.

21 (2) THE AMOUNT OF \$17,500,000 SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO  
22 INTERMEDIATE UNITS AS FOLLOWS:

23 (I) MULTIPLY THE INTERMEDIATE UNIT'S 2020-2021  
24 MARKET VALUE/INCOME AID RATIO BY ITS 2018-2019 AVERAGE  
25 DAILY MEMBERSHIP.

26 (II) MULTIPLY THE PRODUCT FROM SUBPARAGRAPH (I) BY  
27 \$17,500,000.

28 (III) DIVIDE THE PRODUCT FROM SUBPARAGRAPH (II) BY  
29 THE SUM OF THE PRODUCTS OF THE 2020-2021 MARKET  
30 VALUE/INCOME AID RATIO MULTIPLIED BY THE 2018-2019

AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP FOR ALL INTERMEDIATE UNITS.

(3) THE AMOUNT OF \$7,075,000 SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO  
APPROVED PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND THE CHARTERED SCHOOLS FOR THE  
EDUCATION OF THE DEAF OR THE BLIND AS FOLLOWS:

(I) MULTIPLY THE 2019-2020 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT  
ENROLLMENT OF THE APPROVED PRIVATE SCHOOL OR CHARTERED  
SCHOOL FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF OR THE BLIND BY  
\$7,075,000.

(II) DIVIDE THE PRODUCT FROM SUBPARAGRAPH (I) BY THE  
SUM OF THE 2019-2020 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT FOR  
ALL APPROVED PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND CHARTERED SCHOOLS FOR  
THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF OR THE BLIND.

(4) THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000,000 SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE  
STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO SUPPORT THE ONGOING  
FUNCTIONALITY OF ITS MEMBER INSTITUTIONS AS DIRECTED BY THE  
CHANCELLOR.

(B) DEFINITIONS.--AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING  
WORDS AND PHRASES SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS  
SUBSECTION UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

"AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP." THE SUM OF THE AVERAGE DAILY  
MEMBERSHIP OF AN INTERMEDIATE UNIT'S COMPONENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

"FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT." THE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT  
ENROLLMENT AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 1376 OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL  
CODE OF 1949 FOR AN APPROVED PRIVATE SCHOOL AND THE FULL-TIME  
EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 1376.1 OF THE  
PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF 1949 FOR A CHARTERED SCHOOL FOR THE  
EDUCATION OF THE DEAF OR THE BLIND.

"GEER." THE GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY EDUCATION RELIEF FUND AS  
DESCRIBED UNDER FEDERAL LAW.

SECTION 2. SUBARTICLE J OF ARTICLE I-C OF THE ACT IS

1 REPEALED:

2 [SUBARTICLE J

3 PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

4 SECTION 190-C. DEFINITIONS.

5 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS SUBARTICLE  
6 SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE  
7 CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

8 "AGENCY." THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY.

9 "ELIGIBLE LANDLORD." AN INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY OWNING A PLACE  
10 OF RESIDENCE THAT LEASES THE RESIDENCE TO AN INDIVIDUAL AND THAT  
11 EXPERIENCED A LOSS OF RENTAL INCOME BECAUSE THE LESSEE BECAME  
12 UNEMPLOYED AFTER MARCH 1, 2020, OR THE LESSEE HAD THEIR ANNUAL  
13 HOUSEHOLD INCOME REDUCED BY 30% OR MORE DUE TO REDUCED WORK  
14 HOURS AND WAGES RELATED TO COVID-19. THE LOSS OF RENTAL INCOME  
15 MUST BE AT LEAST 30 DAYS PAST DUE.

16 "LESSEE." AN INDIVIDUAL WHO LEASES A PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN  
17 WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL WILL PERMANENTLY RESIDE.

18 SECTION 191-C. MORTGAGE AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

19 (A) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.--THE AGENCY SHALL ESTABLISH  
20 THE COVID RELIEF - MORTGAGE AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM.

21 (B) PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM.--THE PROGRAM SHALL RECEIVE  
22 APPLICATIONS FROM LESSEES, LANDLORDS, MORTGAGEES AND MORTGAGORS  
23 AND AWARD GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE LANDLORDS AND MORTGAGEES IN  
24 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ACT.

25 (C) USE OF FUNDS.--MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE PENNSYLVANIA  
26 HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY FOR COVID RELIEF - MORTGAGE AND RENTAL  
27 ASSISTANCE SHALL BE USED TO MAKE GRANTS UNDER THIS SUBARTICLE.

28 (D) ALLOCATION.--THE AGENCY SHALL ALLOCATE A MINIMUM OF  
29 \$150,000,000 OF THE FUNDS RECEIVED FOR USE UNDER THIS SUBARTICLE  
30 FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS.

1 (E) GUIDELINES.--THE AGENCY SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES THAT  
2 ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBARTICLE WITHIN 30  
3 DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. THE GUIDELINES SHALL  
4 BE:

5 (1) SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FOR  
6 PUBLICATION IN THE PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN; AND

7 (2) POSTED ON THE AGENCY'S PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET  
8 WEBSITE.

9 (F) (RESERVED) .

10 (G) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.--THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

11 (1) AN ELIGIBLE LESSEE, MORTGAGOR, LANDLORD OR MORTGAGEE  
12 SHALL SUBMIT TO THE AGENCY THE NAME OF THE LESSEE OR  
13 MORTGAGOR FROM WHOM RENTAL OR MORTGAGE PAYMENTS ARE SOUGHT,  
14 ALONG WITH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE  
15 AGENCY TO CARRY OUT THE AGENCY'S RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS  
16 SECTION.

17 (2) ASSISTANCE MAY BE AWARDED TO LESSORS OR MORTGAGEES  
18 ON BEHALF OF LESSEES OR MORTGAGORS WHO BECAME UNEMPLOYED  
19 AFTER MARCH 1, 2020, OR HAD THEIR ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME  
20 REDUCED BY 30% OR MORE DUE TO REDUCED WORK HOURS AND WAGES  
21 RELATED TO COVID-19.

22 (3) THE AGENCY SHALL DEVELOP AN APPLICATION FOR ELIGIBLE  
23 LESSEES, MORTGAGORS, LANDLORDS OR MORTGAGEES TO APPLY FOR  
24 ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SECTION WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE  
25 DATE OF THIS SECTION. THE APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE AN  
26 ATTESTATION BY THE LANDLORD OR MORTGAGEE RELEASING THE LESSEE  
27 OR MORTGAGOR OF ANY REMAINING OBLIGATION FOR ANY PAST DUE OR  
28 FUTURE RENT OR MORTGAGE PAYMENT FOR WHICH THE AGENCY PAYS THE  
29 LANDLORD OR MORTGAGEE. THE APPLICATION SHALL BE MADE  
30 AVAILABLE AND POSTED ON THE AGENCY'S PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE

1 INTERNET WEBSITE AND BE IN A FORM THAT CAN BE COMPLETED AND  
2 RETURNED BY THE LESSEE, MORTGAGOR, LANDLORD OR MORTGAGEE  
3 ELECTRONICALLY OR THROUGH THE UNITED STATES MAIL. THE  
4 DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS TO THE AGENCY SHALL BE  
5 SEPTEMBER 30, 2020.

6 (4) THE AGENCY SHALL VERIFY THE NAME OF THE LESSEE OR  
7 MORTGAGOR WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY'S BUREAU  
8 OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION TO ENSURE THE LESSEE OR  
9 MORTGAGOR BECAME UNEMPLOYED AFTER MARCH 1, 2020.

10 (5) THE AGENCY SHALL REQUIRE ANY APPLICANT SEEKING  
11 ASSISTANCE BASED ON REDUCED WORK HOURS OR WAGES RELATED TO  
12 THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC TO SUBMIT INFORMATION VERIFYING SUCH  
13 INFORMATION.

14 (6) THE AGENCY SHALL MAKE PAYMENTS ONLY TO LESSORS OR  
15 MORTGAGEES.

16 (7) THE AGENCY SHALL MAKE PAYMENTS ONLY ON BEHALF OF  
17 HOUSEHOLDS WITH AN ANNUALIZED CURRENT INCOME OF NO MORE THAN  
18 THE UPPER LIMIT OF "MEDIAN INCOME" AS DEFINED IN GUIDELINES  
19 PUBLISHED ANNUALLY BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING  
20 AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

21 (8) THE AGENCY SHALL NOTIFY EACH LESSEE OR MORTGAGOR OF  
22 THE AMOUNT OF PAYMENT MADE TO THE LANDLORD OR MORTGAGEE ON  
23 THE LESSEE'S OR MORTGAGOR'S BEHALF.

24 (9) THE AGENCY SHALL MAKE PAYMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

25 (I) FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 100%  
26 OF THE LESSEE'S MONTHLY RENT, NOT TO EXCEED \$750 PER  
27 MONTH, FOR EACH MONTH FOR WHICH ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT FOR  
28 A MAXIMUM OF SIX MONTHS. PAYMENTS SHALL BE MADE NO LATER  
29 THAN NOVEMBER 30, 2020.

30 (II) FOR MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO

1 100% OF THE MORTGAGOR'S MONTHLY MORTGAGE, NOT TO EXCEED  
2 \$1,000 PER MONTH, FOR EACH MONTH FOR WHICH ASSISTANCE IS  
3 SOUGHT FOR A MAXIMUM OF SIX MONTHS. PAYMENTS SHALL BE  
4 MADE NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30, 2020.

5 (H) REPORT.--BY DECEMBER 31, 2020, THE AGENCY SHALL ISSUE A  
6 REPORT TO THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
7 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE CHAIRPERSON AND  
8 MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE  
9 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND POST THE REPORT ON THE AGENCY'S  
10 PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET WEBSITE. THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE  
11 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

12 (1) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LANDLORDS WHO APPLIED FOR  
13 ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SECTION.

14 (2) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MORTGAGEES WHO APPLIED FOR  
15 ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SECTION.

16 (3) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE THAT WAS SOUGHT.

17 (4) THE AVERAGE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE THAT WAS APPLIED  
18 FOR UNDER THIS SECTION.

19 (5) THE AVERAGE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE THAT WAS PROVIDED  
20 UNDER THIS SECTION.

21 (6) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LANDLORDS AND MORTGAGEES WHO  
22 RECEIVED ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SECTION BY COUNTY.

23 (7) THE VALUE OF PAYMENTS MADE BY THE AGENCY UNDER THIS  
24 SECTION BY COUNTY.]

25 SECTION 3. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING AN ARTICLE TO READ:

26 ARTICLE I-D

27 RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

28 SECTION 101-D. DEFINITIONS.

29 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS ARTICLE  
30 SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE

1 CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

2 "CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021." THE CONSOLIDATED  
3 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 (P.L.116-260).

4 "DEPARTMENT." THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES OF THE  
5 COMMONWEALTH.

6 "PROGRAM." THE RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM  
7 ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 102-D.

8 "UTILITIES." INCLUDES SEPARATELY STATED ELECTRICITY, GAS,  
9 WATER AND SEWER, TRASH REMOVAL AND ENERGY COSTS, SUCH AS FUEL  
10 OIL. TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, SUCH AS TELEPHONE, CABLE AND  
11 INTERNET, DELIVERED TO THE RENTAL DWELLING ARE NOT CONSIDERED TO  
12 BE UTILITIES.

13 SECTION 102-D. RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM.

14 (A) ESTABLISHMENT.--THE RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT  
15 PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. THE PROGRAM SHALL  
16 PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS:

17 (1) RENTAL ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

18 (I) RENT.

19 (II) RENTAL ARREARS.

20 (III) UTILITIES AND HOME ENERGY COSTS.

21 (IV) UTILITIES AND HOME ENERGY COST ARREARS.

22 (V) OTHER EXPENSES RELATED TO HOUSING INCURRED DUE,  
23 DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO COVID-19, TO THE EXTENT  
24 PERMITTED BY FEDERAL LAW.

25 (2) HOUSING STABILITY SERVICES, INCLUDING CASE  
26 MANAGEMENT AND OTHER SERVICES INTENDED TO KEEP HOUSEHOLDS  
27 STABLY HOUSED.

28 (B) COUNTY.--EACH COUNTY IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
29 PROGRAM. THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

30 (1) GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED BY A COUNTY UNDER THIS ARTICLE

1 SHALL BE USED FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES UNDER SUBSECTION  
2 (A). ASSOCIATED ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND HOUSING STABILITY  
3 SERVICES SHALL NOT EXCEED 10% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT  
4 FUNDS. NOT MORE THAN 2% OF THE GRANT FUNDS SHALL BE UTILIZED  
5 TO COVER THE COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THE PROGRAM.

6 (2) A COUNTY MAY NOT USE THE GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED AS THE  
7 NON-STATE MATCH FOR OTHER STATE FUNDS, PROGRAMS OR GRANTS.

8 (3) COUNTIES THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE HUMAN SERVICES  
9 BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM UNDER ARTICLE XIV-B OF THE ACT OF JUNE  
10 13, 1967 (P.L.31, NO.21), KNOWN AS THE HUMAN SERVICES CODE,  
11 MUST USE THE FUNDS FOR ELIGIBLE SERVICES UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

12 (C) DISTRIBUTION.--GRANT FUNDS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS  
13 FOLLOWS:

14 (1) FROM MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR THE PROGRAM, EACH COUNTY  
15 SHALL RECEIVE AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE POPULATION PROPORTION  
16 AMOUNT AS DETERMINED BY PARAGRAPHS (3) AND (4). FOR PURPOSES  
17 OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A COUNTY'S POPULATION SHALL BE EQUAL TO  
18 THE PUBLISHED ESTIMATE BY THE UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU  
19 POPULATION ESTIMATES PROGRAM FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019.

20 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DISTRIBUTE FUNDING TO COUNTIES  
21 BEFORE APRIL 1, 2021, OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF  
22 THIS SECTION, WHICHEVER IS SOONER.

23 (3) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE POPULATION  
24 PROPORTION SHALL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:

25 (I) THE POPULATION ESTIMATE OF THE COUNTY; DIVIDED  
26 BY

27 (II) THE SUM OF THE POPULATION ESTIMATES OF ALL  
28 COUNTIES.

29 (4) COUNTIES SHALL RECEIVE A DISBURSEMENT IN AN AMOUNT  
30 NECESSARY SO THAT THE TOTAL DISBURSEMENT TO A COUNTY IS

1 DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:

2 (I) ADD:

3 (A) THE AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED BY THE  
4 COMMONWEALTH FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR  
5 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED  
6 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021; AND

7 (B) THE AMOUNT OF MONEY PAID DIRECTLY BY THE  
8 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR  
9 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED  
10 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021.

11 (II) MULTIPLY:

12 (A) THE COUNTY'S POPULATION PROPORTION; AND

13 (B) THE SUM UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I).

14 (5) AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO A DISBURSEMENT RECEIVED BY A  
15 COUNTY DIRECTLY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR RENTAL  
16 ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021  
17 SHALL BE DEDUCTED FROM THE AMOUNT CALCULATED UNDER PARAGRAPH  
18 (4).

19 (D) HUMAN SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.--FUNDS RECEIVED BY A  
20 COUNTY UNDER THE PROGRAM MAY NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATION  
21 OF THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS UNDER THE HUMAN SERVICES BLOCK GRANT  
22 PROGRAM UNDER SECTION 1405-B OF THE HUMAN SERVICES CODE.

23 (E) REDUCTION OF OBLIGATIONS.--ANY PAYMENTS RECEIVED BY THE  
24 LANDLORD OR A UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER FROM A PAYMENT MADE UNDER  
25 THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE TENANT'S  
26 OBLIGATION TO THE LANDLORD OR UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER. A  
27 LANDLORD OR UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO  
28 WAIVE ANY OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS FOR RENT OR UTILITY PAYMENTS  
29 AS A CONDITION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM. IF A LANDLORD OR  
30 UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER REFUSES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM,

1 A PAYMENT RECEIVED BY AN INDIVIDUAL MUST BE FORWARDED TO THE  
2 LANDLORD OR UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER TO REDUCE THE TENANT'S  
3 OBLIGATION.

4 (F) TRANSFER PROHIBITED.--THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE FUNDING  
5 FROM THE PROGRAM ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER  
6 SUBSECTION (A) PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED  
7 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021. THE FUNDING MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO  
8 OTHER PROGRAMS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.  
9 SECTION 103-D. DEPARTMENT.

10 (A) POWERS AND DUTIES.--THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE THE POWER  
11 AND DUTY TO:

12 (1) IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE  
13 WITH FEDERAL LAW. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COMPILE AND TRANSMIT  
14 ANY INFORMATION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM AND COMPLY  
15 WITH PROGRAMMATIC AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS UNDER FEDERAL  
16 LAW AND FEDERAL GUIDANCE. THE DEPARTMENT IS PROHIBITED FROM  
17 PLACING ANY ADDITIONAL STIPULATIONS ON COUNTIES THAT ARE IN  
18 ADDITION TO FEDERAL LAW OR FEDERAL GUIDANCE. IF A COUNTY  
19 FAILS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM OR IF FUNDS ARE NOT  
20 EXPENDED WITHIN THE TIME REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE, THE  
21 DEPARTMENT MAY ADMINISTER THE SERVICES OF THE PROGRAM.

22 (2) MONITOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS' ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
23 GRANT TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE  
24 REQUIREMENTS.

25 (3) ALLOCATE AND DISBURSE GRANT FUNDS TO COUNTIES.

26 (4) REQUIRE COUNTIES TO SUBMIT REPORTS CONTAINING  
27 INFORMATION IN THE FORM AND BY THE DEADLINE PRESCRIBED BY THE  
28 DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP AN APPLICATION TO  
29 PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

30 (5) MONITOR, INSPECT OR AUDIT THE FINANCIAL, OPERATING

1 AND ACCOUNTING RECORDS OF A COUNTY AGENCY OR CONTRACTED  
2 ENTITY THAT RECEIVES GRANT FUNDS, IF DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE  
3 DEPARTMENT.

4 (6) WITHHOLD, RECOVER OR REDUCE GRANT FUNDS OF A COUNTY  
5 AGENCY OR CONTRACTED ENTITY DETERMINED TO HAVE ADMINISTERED  
6 THE PROGRAM IN VIOLATION OF FEDERAL OR STATE REQUIREMENTS.

7 (7) RECOUP AND REALLOCATE UNOBLIGATED GRANT FUNDS AS  
8 IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY OF A COUNTY AGENCY OR CONTRACTED  
9 ENTITY, AS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 105-D. THE REALLOCATION  
10 SHALL BE BASED UPON THE COUNTIES THAT IDENTIFIED A SHORTFALL  
11 AND PRORATED BASED UPON THE 2019 CENSUS POPULATION TO THE  
12 EXTENT OF A COUNTY'S IDENTIFIED SHORTFALL.

13 (8) BY MARCH 31, 2022, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A  
14 REPORT TO THE CHAIRPERSON AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
15 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE CHAIRPERSON  
16 AND MINORITY CHAIRPERSON OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF  
17 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SHALL POST THE REPORT TO THE  
18 DEPARTMENT'S PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WEBSITE. THE REPORT SHALL  
19 INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

20 (I) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDS RECEIVED BY A COUNTY.

21 (II) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDS SPENT BY A COUNTY BY  
22 SERVICES UNDER SECTION 102-D(A) .

23 (III) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXCESS FUNDING OR  
24 SHORTFALL IDENTIFIED BY A COUNTY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021.

25 (IV) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT APPLIED FOR  
26 ASSISTANCE.

27 (V) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT RECEIVED  
28 ASSISTANCE.

29 (VI) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING SOUGHT BY SERVICES  
30 UNDER SECTION 102-D(A) .

1           (VII) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY  
2           SERVICES UNDER SECTION 201-D(A).  
3           (B) COSTS.--TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY FEDERAL LAW, THE  
4           DEPARTMENT MAY UTILIZE AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED 1% OF THE AMOUNT  
5           APPROPRIATED TO COVER THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE  
6           ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM.  
7           SECTION 104-D. COUNTIES.  
8           THE LOCAL COUNTY OFFICIALS OF EACH COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
9           PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM SHALL HAVE THE POWER AND DUTY TO:  
10           (1) ADMINISTER AND DISBURSE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE  
11           PROVISION OF RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING  
12           STABILITY SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE,  
13           INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.  
14           (2) ESTABLISH OR MAINTAIN, IN AGREEMENT WITH ANOTHER  
15           COUNTY, LOCAL COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DELIVERY OF  
16           RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING STABILITY SERVICES.  
17           (3) DETERMINE AND REDETERMINE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
18           INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT, WHETHER A PERSON IS  
19           ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM, SUBJECT TO APPEAL  
20           UNDER 2 PA.C.S. CH. 5 SUBCH. B (RELATING TO PRACTICE AND  
21           PROCEDURES OF LOCAL AGENCIES).  
22           (4) SUBMIT MONTHLY REPORTS WHICH INCLUDE IDENTIFIED  
23           EXCESS OR INSUFFICIENT FUNDING AND BE SUBJECT TO AUDIT AS  
24           DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT.  
25           SECTION 105-D. REALLOCATION OF GRANTS.  
26           (A) OBLIGATED FUNDS.--COUNTIES MUST CERTIFY TO THE  
27           DEPARTMENT BY AUGUST 31, 2021:  
28           (1) WHETHER THE COUNTY HAS OBLIGATED 65% OF ITS GRANT  
29           FUNDS UNDER SECTION 102-D(C).  
30           (2) THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING THAT IS EXPECTED TO BE

1 OBLIGATED FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2021, THROUGH DECEMBER  
2 31, 2021, ALONG WITH PROJECTIONS OF ANY EXCESS FUNDING OR A  
3 FUNDING SHORTFALL THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021.

4 (B) TIME.--IF THE COUNTY CERTIFIES THAT EXCESS FUNDS WILL  
5 REMAIN ON DECEMBER 31, 2021, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 15, 2021, THE  
6 DEPARTMENT MAY RECOUP AND REALLOCATE EXCESS FUNDING TO OTHER  
7 COUNTIES THAT HAVE DEMONSTRATED A FUNDING SHORTFALL. ANY FUNDING  
8 SHALL BE REALLOCATED BY THE DEPARTMENT ACCORDING TO THE  
9 REALLOCATION METHODOLOGY UNDER SECTION 103-D(7).

10 (C) ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION.--IF THE COMMONWEALTH RECEIVES AN  
11 ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT,  
12 2021, AS A RESULT OF OTHER STATES NOT HAVING MET THEIR THRESHOLD  
13 UNDER FEDERAL LAW, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DISTRIBUTE REALLOCATED  
14 FUNDING TO COUNTIES WHO HAVE OBLIGATED AT LEAST 65% OF THEIR  
15 INITIAL ALLOCATION BY AUGUST 31, 2021, ACCORDING TO THE  
16 REALLOCATION METHODOLOGY UNDER SECTION 103-D(7) AND HAVE  
17 CERTIFIED A SHORTFALL DEMONSTRATING ADDITIONAL NEED UNDER  
18 SUBSECTION (A) (2).

19 SECTION 4. SUBARTICLE D OF ARTICLE XVII-A.1 OF THE ACT IS  
20 AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION READ:

21 SECTION 1738-A.1. WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECURITY FUND TRANSFER  
22 TO COVID-19 RESPONSE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT.

23 ANY AMOUNT TRANSFERRED FROM THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
24 SECURITY FUND UNDER SECTION 1726-M(E) SHALL BE REPAID TO THE  
25 WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECURITY FUND BY JULY 1, 2029. IF THE  
26 COMMONWEALTH RECEIVES A PAYMENT OF AT LEAST \$145,000,000 FROM  
27 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE MITIGATION OF GENERAL REVENUE  
28 LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WITH  
29 RESPECT TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019, \$145,000,000 OF THE  
30 PAYMENT SHALL BE USED TO REPAY THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION

1 SECURITY FUND WITHIN 180 DAYS OF RECEIPT FROM THE FEDERAL  
2 GOVERNMENT.

3 SECTION 5. SECTION 1726-M OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A  
4 SUBSECTION TO READ:

5 SECTION 1726-M. FUND TRANSFERS.

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7 (E) TRANSFERS TO COVID-19 RESPONSE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT.--FROM  
8 FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECURITY FUND,  
9 \$145,000,000 SHALL BE TRANSFERRED INTO THE COVID-19 RESPONSE  
10 RESTRICTED ACCOUNT.

11 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

12 (1) THE SUM OF \$145,000,000 IS APPROPRIATED TO THE  
13 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR FISCAL  
14 YEAR 2020-2021 FROM THE COVID-19 RESPONSE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT  
15 FOR COVID RELIEF - COUNTY BLOCK GRANT - HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY  
16 RECOVERY PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF AWARING GRANTS UNDER  
17 SECTION 134-C OF THE ACT.

18 (2) THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL AMOUNTS ARE APPROPRIATED FROM  
19 THE COVID-19 RESPONSE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
20 EDUCATION FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR:

21 (I) THE SUM OF \$150,023,000 IS APPROPRIATED TO THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF COVID RELIEF -  
23 GEER - EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR  
24 DISTRIBUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 141-C OF THE ACT.

25 (II) THE SUM OF \$47,075,000 IS APPROPRIATED TO THE  
26 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF COVID RELIEF -  
27 GEER FOR DISTRIBUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 142-C OF  
28 THE ACT.

29 (3) THE SUM OF \$569,808,000 OF FEDERAL AMOUNTS IS  
30 APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FOR FISCAL

1 YEAR 2020-2021 FROM THE COVID-19 RESPONSE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT  
2 FOR COVID RELIEF - RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT  
3 PROGRAM UNDER ARTICLE I-D OF THE ACT. ANY ADDITIONAL FEDERAL  
4 AMOUNTS RECEIVED THROUGH A REALLOCATION PROCESS FROM THE  
5 CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 ARE APPROPRIATED TO THE  
6 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FOR THE RENTAL AND UTILITY  
7 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.  
8 SECTION 7. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.