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**SYNOPSIS**

Establishes Thriving By Three Act to award competitive grants for infant and toddler child care programs; appropriates \$28 million.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As amended on June 29, 2022 by the Senate pursuant to the Governor's recommendations.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/29/2022)

1 AN ACT establishing <sup>2</sup>~~an~~<sup>2</sup> infant and toddler child care grant  
 2 ~~program~~ programs<sup>2</sup>, supplementing Title 30 of the New  
 3 Jersey Statutes, and making 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 <sup>2</sup>~~1.~~ a. <sup>1</sup>~~There is established in the~~ The<sup>1</sup> Department of  
 9 Human Services, in coordination with the Department of Education,  
 10 the Bureau of Licensing in the Department of Children and  
 11 Families, and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority,  
 12 shall establish a grant program, which shall be known as<sup>1</sup> the <sup>1</sup>~~“~~<sup>1</sup>  
 13 Thriving By Three<sup>1</sup> grant program <sup>1</sup>, the purpose of which shall  
 14 be<sup>1</sup> to incentivize the development of child care programs for  
 15 infants and toddlers <sup>1</sup>~~and~~ <sup>1</sup> provide technical assistance to child  
 16 care services providers for the expansion of child care spaces for  
 17 ~~infant~~ infants<sup>1</sup> and toddlers <sup>1</sup>. The purpose of the grant  
 18 program shall be to <sup>1</sup> address <sup>1</sup>~~the~~<sup>1</sup> shortages <sup>1</sup>~~of~~ in the  
 19 number of<sup>1</sup> regulated child care providers that are available<sup>1</sup> for  
 20 working families <sup>1</sup> and <sup>1</sup>~~to~~<sup>1</sup> support the developmental needs of  
 21 young children.

22 b. <sup>1</sup>~~Grants under~~ Under<sup>1</sup> the program <sup>1</sup>, the department<sup>1</sup> shall  
 23 <sup>1</sup>~~be awarded to a licensed child care or registered family day care~~  
 24 ~~provider, Head Start program, or school district~~ award one-time  
 25 grants<sup>1</sup> on a competitive basis <sup>1</sup>, to licensed child care providers,  
 26 registered family day care providers, Health Start programs, and  
 27 school districts that meet the requirements of subsection c. of this  
 28 section<sup>1</sup>. Providers, programs, <sup>1</sup>~~or~~ and<sup>1</sup> school districts that  
 29 <sup>1</sup>~~receive a grant under the program shall use the funds to develop~~  
 30 ~~or expand quality child care spaces for infant and toddlers~~, and  
 31 preference shall be given to providers, programs, or school districts:

32 (1) located in communities identified as child care deserts with  
 33 little or no child care options for infants and toddlers;

34 (2) located in communities with high percentages of low-income  
 35 families; and

36 (3) that can align their infant and toddler child care programs  
 37 with high-quality preschool, support collaborations for shared  
 38 services, and build upon existing early childhood education  
 39 services] meet the requirements of subsection c. of this section  
 40 shall be eligible for both a one-time grant that may be used to  
 41 renovate, improve, expand, or reconstruct existing facilities to  
 42 increase the number of infant and toddler child care spaces or  
 43 classrooms, as appropriate, and for a one-time grant that may be

**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:

<sup>1</sup>Senate SHH committee amendments adopted June 6, 2022.

<sup>2</sup>Senate SBA committee amendments adopted June 27, 2022.

<sup>3</sup>Senate amendments adopted in accordance with Governor's recommendations June 29, 2022.

1 used to recruit staff and provide staff development opportunities.  
2 One-time grants awarded to increase the number of infant and  
3 toddler child care spaces or classrooms and one-time grants  
4 awarded to recruit staff and provide staff development opportunities  
5 may be awarded to a provider, program, or school district at  
6 separate times<sup>1</sup> .

7 c. To be eligible for consideration <sup>1</sup>**["of] for**<sup>1</sup> a grant award, a  
8 licensed child care <sup>1</sup>**["or] provider,**<sup>1</sup> registered family day care  
9 provider, Head Start program, or school district shall:

10 (1) submit an application to the Commissioner of Human  
11 Services, in <sup>1</sup>**["accordance with application procedures and**  
12 **requirements]** a form and manner as shall be<sup>1</sup> prescribed by the  
13 commissioner <sup>1</sup>, which application shall outline the purposes for  
14 which a grant award would be used<sup>1</sup> ;

15 (2) comply with the current child care licensing standards for  
16 infant and toddler child care, including <sup>1</sup>,<sup>1</sup> but not limited to, class  
17 size, <sup>1</sup>**["child to staff] child-to-staff**<sup>1</sup> ratios, and health and safety  
18 standards;

19 (3) participate in the State's child care quality rating and  
20 improvement system, Grow NJ Kids <sup>1</sup>**["(GNJK)"]**<sup>1</sup> ;

21 (4) require <sup>1</sup>**["classroom teachers] room supervisors**<sup>1</sup> to have  
22 earned <sup>1</sup>**["or to attain"]**<sup>1</sup> an infant and toddler child development  
23 associate (CDA) or equivalent credential <sup>1</sup>or to attain a CDA or  
24 equivalent credential<sup>1</sup> within two years of <sup>1</sup>the effective date of this  
25 act or within two years of commencing<sup>1</sup> employment <sup>1</sup>with the  
26 provider, program, or school, whichever occurs later<sup>1</sup> ; and

27 (5) require that <sup>1</sup>**["classroom teachers with] every six to eight**  
28 rooms at the provider, program, or school be supervised by at least  
29 one individual who holds a<sup>1</sup> bachelor of arts <sup>1</sup>**["degrees supervise at**  
30 **least six but no more than eight classrooms or up to] degree and has**  
31 at least two years of early childhood experience, provided that no  
32 room supervisor shall be responsible for supervising more than<sup>1</sup> 24  
33 children at one time.

34 d. <sup>1</sup>**(1)**<sup>1</sup> The commissioner shall establish selection criteria for  
35 the awarding of grant funds under the program. One-time grants  
36 shall be awarded <sup>1</sup>, in an amount to be determined by the  
37 commissioner,<sup>1</sup> based upon review of the applications and subject  
38 to the availability of funds <sup>1</sup>**["], and shall be used:**

39 (1) to expand, renovate, or reconstruct existing facilities to  
40 increase the number of infant and toddler child care spaces or  
41 classrooms, as appropriate; and <sup>1</sup>**].**<sup>1</sup>

42 (2) <sup>1</sup>**["for staff recruitment and staff development initiatives] In**  
43 awarding grants pursuant to this subsection, the commissioner shall  
44 establish a preference for licensed child care providers, registered  
45 family day care providers, Head Start programs, and school districts  
46 that:

1       (a) are located in communities with few or no child care options  
2 for infants and toddlers;

3       (b) are located in communities with high percentages of low-  
4 income families; and

5       (c) can align the provider's, program's, or school district's  
6 infant and toddler child care programs with high-quality preschools,  
7 support collaborations for shared services, and build upon existing  
8 early childhood education services<sup>1</sup> .

9       <sup>1</sup>**[Additional grants shall be made]** (3) In addition to the one-  
10 time grants awarded to increase the number of infant and toddler  
11 child care spaces or classrooms and the one-time grants awarded to  
12 recruit staff and provide staff development opportunities the  
13 commissioner shall make an additional one-time grant<sup>1</sup> available to  
14 <sup>1</sup>any family day care <sup>1</sup>**[providers who meet all the eligibility**  
15 **requirements pursuant to subsection c. of this section to incentivize**  
16 **such providers to register]** provider that is registered<sup>1</sup> with the  
17 Department of Children and Families in accordance with the  
18 “Family Day Care Provider Registration Act,” <sup>1</sup>**[P.L. L. 1987, c.**  
19 **27]** P.L.1987, c.27<sup>1</sup> (C.30:5B-16 et seq.). <sup>1</sup>An additional grant  
20 awarded pursuant to this paragraph may be used to increase the  
21 number of infant and toddler child care spaces, to recruit staff and  
22 provide staff development opportunities, or both.<sup>1</sup>

23       e. A licensed child care <sup>1</sup>**[or]** provider,<sup>1</sup> registered family day  
24 care provider, Head Start program, or school district receiving a  
25 grant under the program <sup>1</sup>**[and using]**<sup>1</sup> that <sup>1</sup>uses the<sup>1</sup> grant to  
26 expand, renovate, or reconstruct existing facilities to increase the  
27 number of infant and toddler child care spaces or classrooms, as  
28 appropriate, shall receive from the Department of Human Services a  
29 child care reimbursement rate of \$22,000 per year per child to  
30 <sup>1</sup>**[cover]** help offset the cost of additional<sup>1</sup> staff salaries <sup>1</sup>, which  
31 salaries shall be<sup>1</sup> commensurate with the infant and toddler <sup>1</sup>**[child**  
32 **development associate (CDA)]** CDA<sup>1</sup> or <sup>1</sup>**[other]**<sup>1</sup> equivalent  
33 credential <sup>1</sup>held by the additional staff members<sup>1</sup> .

34       f. The commissioner shall <sup>1</sup>**[establish the amount for each**  
35 **grant that is approved and shall]**<sup>1</sup> :

36       (1) publicize the existence of, and encourage licensed child care  
37 <sup>1</sup>**[or]** providers,<sup>1</sup> registered family day care providers, Head Start  
38 programs, <sup>1</sup>**[or]** and<sup>1</sup> school districts <sup>1</sup>**[in applying]** to apply<sup>1</sup> to  
39 participate in, the <sup>1</sup>grant<sup>1</sup> program; and

40       (2) provide technical assistance to the grant awardees to meet  
41 the requirements of the <sup>1</sup>grant<sup>1</sup> program.

42       g. Within one year after receiving a grant award under the  
43 program, a licensed child care <sup>1</sup>**[or]** provider,<sup>1</sup> registered family  
44 day care provider, Head Start program, or school district shall  
45 submit a report to the Department of Human Services containing  
46 information on the provider's, program's, or school district's use of

1 the grant funds. The report shall include, at a minimum,  
2 information on the number of additional infant and toddler child  
3 care spaces created using grant funds, <sup>1</sup>the number of additional  
4 staff hired and any staff development initiatives created using grant  
5 funds,<sup>1</sup> increases or improvements in the provision of child care  
6 services as a result of the grant, and any notable changes in child  
7 care enrollment and attendance rates or other measures <sup>1</sup>the  
8 provider, program, or school district observed<sup>1</sup> since receiving the  
9 grant. ]<sup>2</sup>

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11 <sup>2</sup>1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Thriving By  
12 Three Act.”<sup>2</sup>

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14 <sup>2</sup>2. The purpose of this act shall be to incentivize the expansion of  
15 capacity for infants and toddlers, provide technical assistance to child  
16 care providers for the expansion of child care spaces for infants and  
17 toddlers, address shortages in infant and toddler care capacity that is  
18 available for working families, and support the developmental needs of  
19 young children.<sup>2</sup>

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21 <sup>2</sup>3. a. The New Jersey Economic Development Authority shall  
22 award one-time grants, on either a competitive or rolling application  
23 basis, to licensed child care providers, registered family day care  
24 providers, <sup>3</sup>and<sup>3</sup> Head Start programs <sup>3</sup>[, charter schools,  
25 renaissance schools, and school districts]<sup>3</sup> that meet the  
26 requirements of subsection b. of this section. Providers <sup>3</sup>[.] and<sup>3</sup>  
27 programs <sup>3</sup>[, schools, and school districts]<sup>3</sup> that meet the  
28 requirements of subsection b. of this section shall be eligible for a  
29 one-time grant that may be used to renovate, improve, expand, or  
30 reconstruct existing facilities in a manner that will have the  
31 predominant effect of increasing the number of infant and toddler  
32 child care slots or classrooms, as appropriate. The authority may  
33 provide technical assistance to assist providers in meeting the  
34 requirements of the grant program.

35 b. To be eligible for consideration for a grant award under this  
36 section, a licensed child care provider, registered family day care  
37 provider, <sup>3</sup>or<sup>3</sup> Head Start program <sup>3</sup>[, charter school, renaissance  
38 school, or school district]<sup>3</sup> shall:

39 (1) submit an application to the authority, in a form and manner  
40 as shall be prescribed by the authority and in accordance with  
41 criteria established by the authority in consultation with the  
42 Commissioner of Human Services, which application shall outline  
43 the purposes for which a grant award would be used;

44 (2) comply with the current child care licensing standards for  
45 infant and toddler child care, including, but not limited to, class  
46 size, child-to-staff ratios, and health and safety standards; and

1       (3) participate or apply to participate in the State’s child care  
2 quality rating and improvement system, Grow NJ Kids.

3       c. In awarding grants under this section, the authority shall  
4 give preference to providers <sup>3</sup>[,] and<sup>3</sup> programs <sup>3</sup>[, schools, and  
5 school districts]<sup>3</sup> that:

6           (1) are located in communities identified as child care deserts  
7 with few or no options for high-quality child care for infants and  
8 toddlers;

9           (2) are located in communities with high percentages of low-  
10 income families; and

11           (3) can align their infant and toddler child care programs with  
12 high-quality preschool programs, support collaborations for shared  
13 services, and build upon existing early childhood education  
14 services.<sup>2</sup>

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16       <sup>2</sup>4. a. The Commissioner of Human Services shall award grants,  
17 on a competitive basis pursuant to criteria established by the  
18 Commissioner of Human Services, to licensed child care <sup>3</sup>[centers]  
19 providers<sup>3</sup>, registered family day care providers, <sup>3</sup>and<sup>3</sup> Head Start  
20 programs <sup>3</sup>[, and school districts]<sup>3</sup> that meet the requirements of  
21 subsection b. of this section. Providers <sup>3</sup>[,] and<sup>3</sup> programs <sup>3</sup>[,  
22 schools, and school districts]<sup>3</sup> that meet the requirements of  
23 subsection b. of this section shall be eligible for a one-time initial  
24 grant that may be used to: purchase equipment; recruit, train, or  
25 compensate staff for new infant and toddler slots or classrooms; and  
26 for other initiatives to support the expansion of infant and toddler  
27 child care capacity. The Department of Human Services may  
28 provide technical assistance to assist providers in meeting the  
29 requirements of the grant program.

30       b. To be eligible for consideration for a grant award under this  
31 section, a licensed child care provider, registered family day care  
32 provider <sup>3</sup>[,] or<sup>3</sup> Head Start program <sup>3</sup>[, charter school, renaissance  
33 school, or school district]<sup>3</sup> shall submit an application to the  
34 Department of Human Services, in a form and manner as shall be  
35 prescribed by the Commissioner of Human Services and in  
36 accordance with criteria established by the Commissioner of Human  
37 Services, which application shall outline the purposes for which a  
38 grant award would be used. Eligible providers shall include, but  
39 shall not be limited to, providers that receive a grant from the  
40 Economic Development Authority pursuant to section 2 of this act.  
41 To be eligible for consideration for a grant award under this section,  
42 an applicant shall additionally:

43           (1) comply with the current child care licensing standards for  
44 infant and toddler child care, including, but not limited to, class  
45 size, child-to-staff ratios, and health and safety standards;

46           (2) demonstrate that the grant funding will be used to support  
47 the expansion of infant and toddler child care capacity; and

1       (3) participate or apply to participate in the State’s child care  
2 quality rating and improvement system, Grow NJ Kids.

3       c. The commissioner shall establish selection criteria for the  
4 awarding of grant funds under the program. One-time initial grants  
5 shall be awarded, in an amount to be determined by the  
6 commissioner, based upon review of the applications and subject to  
7 the availability of funds.

8       d. The department shall calculate the initial grant award for an  
9 eligible recipient based on the number of new infant or toddler child  
10 care slots that will be supported through the grant program created  
11 pursuant to this section. Initial grants awarded pursuant to this  
12 section shall be in an amount that is not less than \$3,000 per new  
13 infant or toddler child care slot that will be supported through the  
14 grant program.

15       e. (1) Subject to appropriation and the availability of funds,  
16 grant recipients not already participating in Grow NJ Kids at the  
17 time the grant recipient applied to the department for a grant award  
18 under this section, which recipients apply to participate in Grow NJ  
19 Kids as a condition of program eligibility, shall be eligible to apply  
20 for and receive up to two additional grant awards to allow for time  
21 for the recipient to join and become rated under Grow NJ Kids. A  
22 recipient shall not be eligible for an additional grant award under  
23 this subsection if the recipient has received a Grow NJ Kids rating.

24       (2) A grant recipient shall apply for additional grant awards  
25 pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection in a form and manner as  
26 shall be prescribed by the commissioner. The application for an  
27 additional grant award shall outline the purposes for which the grant  
28 would be used. Additional grant awards may be used for the same  
29 purposes as are authorized for grants awarded pursuant to  
30 subsection a. of this section.

31       (3) The department shall calculate an additional grant award for  
32 an eligible recipient based on the number of new infant or toddler  
33 child care slots that are supported using the recipient’s initial grant  
34 award. Additional grants awarded pursuant to this subsection shall  
35 be in an amount that is not less than \$1,200 per infant or toddler  
36 child care slot that will be supported through the grant program.

37       (4) A first additional grant awarded pursuant to this subsection  
38 shall be paid on the first day of the 12th month next following the  
39 date the initial grant award is paid. A second additional grant  
40 awarded pursuant to this subsection shall be paid on the first day of  
41 the 24th month next following the date the initial grant award is  
42 paid.

43       f. In awarding grants under this section, the commissioner  
44 shall give preference to providers <sup>3</sup>[.] and<sup>3</sup> programs <sup>3</sup>[., schools,  
45 and school districts]<sup>3</sup> that:

46       (1) are located in communities identified as child care deserts  
47 with few or no options for high-quality child care for infants and  
48 toddlers;

1       (2) are located in communities with high percentages of low-  
 2 income families; and

3       (3) can align their infant and toddler child care programs with  
 4 high-quality preschool programs, support collaborations for shared  
 5 services, and build upon existing early childhood education  
 6 services.<sup>2</sup>

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 8       <sup>2</sup>5. The Economic Development Authority and the Department  
 9 of Human Services shall each publicize the existence of, and  
 10 encourage licensed child care providers, registered family day care  
 11 providers, <sup>3</sup>and<sup>3</sup> Head Start programs <sup>3</sup>[, charter schools,  
 12 renaissance schools, and school districts]<sup>3</sup> to apply to participate in,  
 13 the grant programs established under this act; and shall provide  
 14 technical assistance to the grant awardees to meet the requirements  
 15 of the grant program.<sup>2</sup>

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 17       <sup>2</sup>6. Within one year after receiving a grant award under this act,  
 18 a licensed child care provider, registered family day care provider,  
 19 <sup>3</sup>or<sup>3</sup> Head Start program <sup>3</sup>[, charter school, renaissance school, or  
 20 school district]<sup>3</sup> shall submit a report to the agency that awarded  
 21 the grant to the licensed child care provider, registered family day  
 22 care provider, <sup>3</sup>or<sup>3</sup> Head Start program <sup>3</sup>[, charter school,  
 23 renaissance school, or school district]<sup>3</sup> containing information on  
 24 the provider's <sup>3</sup>[,] or<sup>3</sup> program's <sup>3</sup>[, school's, or school district's]<sup>3</sup>  
 25 use of the grant funds. The report shall include, to the extent  
 26 relevant, information any new infant and toddler child care  
 27 capacity, including new slots, created using grant funds, any staff  
 28 recruitment initiatives supported using grant funds, increases or  
 29 improvements in the provision of child care services as a result of  
 30 the grant, and any notable changes in child care enrollment and  
 31 attendance rates or other measures the provider <sup>3</sup>[,] or<sup>3</sup> program <sup>3</sup>[,  
 32 school, or school district]<sup>3</sup> observed since receiving the grant.<sup>2</sup>

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 34       <sup>2</sup>[2.] <sup>7.</sup><sup>2</sup> The Commissioner of Human Services <sup>2</sup>and the  
 35 Economic Development Authority<sup>2</sup> shall <sup>2</sup>each<sup>2</sup> submit a report to  
 36 the Governor, and to the Legislature pursuant to section 2 of  
 37 P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), no later than two years after the  
 38 establishment of the <sup>2</sup>[Thriving By Three infant and toddler child  
 39 care]<sup>2</sup> grant <sup>2</sup>[program] programs established pursuant to this act<sup>2</sup> .  
 40 The report shall include, but need not be limited to, information on  
 41 the number of grant applicants, the number and amounts of <sup>1</sup>[the  
 42 grant awards] grants awarded, the purposes for which grant funds  
 43 were used<sup>1</sup> , the number of additional infant and toddler child care  
 44 spaces created using grant funds, information provided by licensed  
 45 child care <sup>1</sup>[and] providers, registered<sup>1</sup> family day care providers,  
 46 <sup>3</sup>and<sup>3</sup> Head Start programs <sup>3</sup>[, <sup>2</sup>charter schools, renaissance



1 schools,<sup>2</sup> and school districts<sup>3</sup> under <sup>2</sup>[subsection g. of]<sup>2</sup> section  
 2 <sup>2</sup>[1] 6<sup>2</sup> of this act, and any recommendations concerning the  
 3 continuation or expansion of the grant <sup>2</sup>[program] programs<sup>2</sup> .  
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5 <sup>2</sup>[3.] 8.<sup>2</sup> The <sup>2</sup>Economic Development Authority and the<sup>2</sup>  
 6 Commissioner of Human Services, in consultation with the  
 7 Department of Education <sup>2</sup>[.] and<sup>2</sup> the Bureau of Licensing in the  
 8 Department of Children and Families <sup>2</sup>[, and the New Jersey  
 9 Economic Development Authority]<sup>2</sup> , pursuant to the “Administrative  
 10 Procedure <sup>1</sup>[Act”] Act,”<sup>1</sup> P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.),  
 11 <sup>2</sup>[shall] may each<sup>2</sup> adopt such rules and regulations as <sup>1</sup>may be<sup>1</sup>  
 12 necessary to implement the provisions of this act.  
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14 <sup>2</sup>[4.] 9.<sup>2</sup> There is appropriated <sup>2</sup>[to the Department of Human  
 15 Services]<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>the following sums <sup>3</sup>[, which shall be used by the  
 16 department]<sup>3</sup> to effectuate the provisions of this act<sup>1</sup> :

17 a. <sup>2</sup>[\$22,000,000] \$8,000,000<sup>2</sup> from the General Fund <sup>2</sup>[from  
 18 the federal “Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund” established  
 19 pursuant to the federal “American Rescue Plan Act”, Pub.L.117-2,  
 20 which] to the <sup>3</sup>[Division of Disaster Recovery and Mitigation in  
 21 the Department of Community Affairs, which sum shall be made  
 22 available to and used by the]<sup>3</sup> Economic Development Authority to  
 23 effectuate the provisions of section 3 of this act, of which a  
 24 reasonable amount not to exceed five percent may be used by the  
 25 authority for organizational, administrative and other work and  
 26 services, including salaries, equipment, services, and materials  
 27 necessary to administer the activities authorized by this act <sup>3</sup>[. The  
 28 authority shall enter into a memorandum of understanding or grant  
 29 agreement, as applicable, with the division to effectuate the  
 30 purposes of this subsection, to establish appropriate administrative  
 31 costs, and to ensure compliance with federal rules and guidance<sup>2</sup>]<sup>3</sup> ;  
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33 b. <sup>2</sup>[\$6,000,000] \$20,000,000<sup>2</sup> from the <sup>2</sup>[federal  
 34 “Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund” established pursuant to  
 35 the federal “American Rescue Plan Act”, Pub.L.117-2, of which  
 36 <sup>1</sup>[the following amounts shall be distributed by the authority, on a  
 37 one-time basis, to a licensed child care or registered family day care  
 38 provider, Head Start program, or school district awarded a grant in  
 39 accordance with section 1 of this act:

40 (1) amount<sup>1</sup> \$5,000,000 <sup>1</sup>shall be dedicated to grants awarded<sup>1</sup>  
 41 to cover the costs of renovating, improving, expanding, or  
 42 reconstructing existing <sup>1</sup>[child care]<sup>1</sup> facilities <sup>1</sup>[, as appropriate;]<sup>1</sup>  
 43 to increase the number of infant and toddler child care spaces and  
 44 classrooms,<sup>1</sup> and

45 <sup>1</sup>[(2)]<sup>1</sup> \$1,000,000 <sup>1</sup>[for] shall be dedicated to grants awarded  
 46 to cover the costs of<sup>1</sup> staff recruitment initiatives and creating

1 scholarships for staff development and training] General Fund to  
2 the Department of Human Services to effectuate the provisions of  
3 section 4 of this act, of which a reasonable amount not to exceed  
4 five percent may be used by the department for organizational,  
5 administrative and other work and services, including salaries,  
6 equipment, services, and materials necessary to administer the  
7 activities authorized by this act<sup>2</sup> .  
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9 <sup>2</sup>[5.] 10.<sup>2</sup> This act shall take effect <sup>2</sup>[on the first day of the sixth  
10 month next following enactment] immediately<sup>2</sup> .