

Appropriation

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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LAWS OF: 2021 **CHAPTER:** 67

NJSA: Appropriation (Appropriates \$10 million in federal funds to Department of Agriculture to support food bank organizations.)

BILL NO: A5405 (Substituted for S3527 (1R))

SPONSOR(S) Coughlin, Craig J. and others

DATE INTRODUCED: 2/24/2021

COMMITTEE: **ASSEMBLY:** Appropriations
SENATE: Economic Growth
Budget & Appropriations

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: **ASSEMBLY:** 3/25/2021
SENATE: 3/25/2021

DATE OF APPROVAL: 4/21/2021

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (First Reprint enacted) Yes

A5405

INTRODUCED BILL (INCLUDES SPONSOR'S STATEMENT): Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: **ASSEMBLY:** Yes Appropriations

SENATE: Yes Econ. Growth
Budget & Appropriations

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

S3527 (1R)

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VETO MESSAGE:

No

GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE ON SIGNING:

Yes

FOLLOWING WERE PRINTED:

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No

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No

P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 67, *approved April 21, 2021*
Assembly, No. 5405 (*First Reprint*)

1 **A SUPPLEMENT** to the Fiscal Year 2021 appropriations act,
2 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:

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7 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2020,
8 c.97, the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2021, and upon
9 certification by the Director of the Division of Budget and
10 Accounting in the Department of the Treasury that federal funds to
11 support the expenditures listed below are available, the following
12 sum is appropriated:
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10 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

40 Community Development and Environmental Management

49 Agricultural Resources, Planning, and Regulation

GRANTS-IN-AID

05-3350	Food and Nutrition Services	\$10,000,000
	Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation,	
	Agricultural Resources, Planning, and Regulation.....	<u>\$10,000,000</u>

Grants-in-Aid:

05 Coronavirus Relief Fund – Assistance to Food
Bank Organizations..... (\$10,000,000)

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15 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief Fund
16 – Assistance to Food Bank Organizations shall be allocated from
17 a portion of those federal block grant funds allocated to the State
18 from the “Coronavirus Relief Fund,” established pursuant to the
19 federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act,”
20 Pub.L.116-136.

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22 ¹**[The]** Of the¹ amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus
23 Relief Fund – Assistance to Food Bank Organizations
24 ¹\$9,900,000¹ shall be allocated as follows: the Community Food
25 Bank of New Jersey, \$5,200,000; the Food Bank of South Jersey,
26 \$1,500,000; Fulfill Monmouth & Ocean, \$1,500,000; Mercer
27 Street Friends Food Bank, \$1,100,000; Norwescap, \$300,000;
28 ¹and¹ Southern Regional Food Distribution Center, \$300,000 ¹**];**
29 and Farmers Against Hunger, \$100,000 ¹**]** ¹.

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:
¹Senate SBA committee amendments adopted March 22, 2021.

1 ¹Of the amount hereinabove appropriated for Coronavirus Relief
2 Fund – Assistance to Food Bank Organizations, \$100,000 shall
3 be allocated to the New Jersey Agricultural Society - Farmers
4 Against Hunger Program to support the collection and
5 distribution of excess food from farms, markets, and other
6 entities to organizations that provide food to persons in need.¹

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8 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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14 Appropriates \$10 million in federal funds to Department of
Agriculture to support food bank organizations.

ASSEMBLY, No. 5405

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 24, 2021

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman CRAIG J. COUGHLIN

District 19 (Middlesex)

Assemblywoman SHANIQUE SPEIGHT

District 29 (Essex)

Assemblyman JOHN ARMATO

District 2 (Atlantic)

Co-Sponsored by:

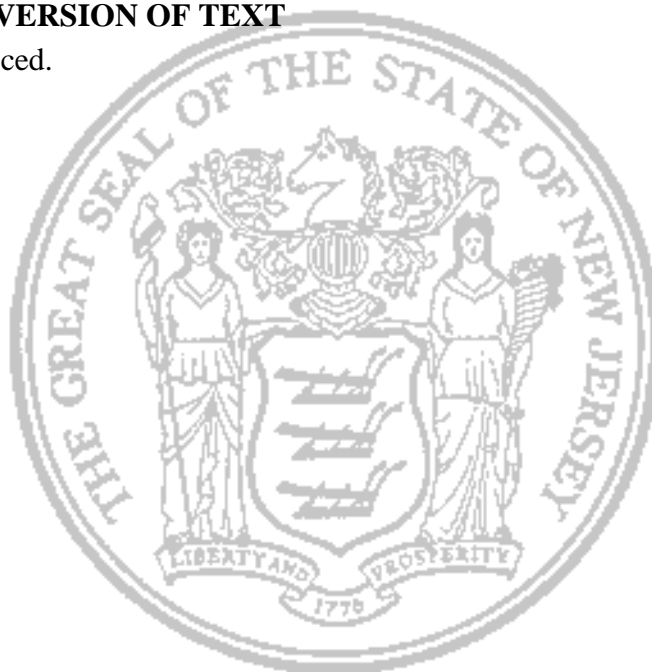
Assemblymen Calabrese, Holley, Assemblywomen Vainieri Huttle, McKnight, Lampitt, Assemblymen Stanley and McKeon

SYNOPSIS

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CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/1/2021)

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STATEMENT

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36 This bill appropriates \$10 million to the Department of
37 Agriculture from a portion of those federal block grant funds
38 allocated to the State from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund

A5405 COUGHLIN, SPEIGHT

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- 1 (CRF) established pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief,
- 2 and Economic Security Act,” Pub.L.116-136. The bill requires the
- 3 funds to be distributed to seven food bank organizations.

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 5405

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 24, 2021

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 5405.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.

SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 5405

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 11, 2021

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 5405.

As reported, this bill appropriates \$10 million to the Department of Agriculture from a portion of those federal block grant funds allocated to the State from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) established pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act,” Pub.L.116-136. The bill requires the funds to be distributed to seven food bank organizations identified in the bill.

As reported, Assembly Bill No. 5405 is identical to Senate Bill No. 3527, which was also reported by the committee on this date.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 5405

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 22, 2021

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 5405.

As amended, this bill appropriates \$10 million to the Department of Agriculture from a portion of those federal block grant funds allocated to the State from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) established pursuant to the federal “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act,” Pub.L.116-136.

The bill requires \$9.9 million to be distributed to the State’s six Emergency Feeding Organizations (EFOs). The remaining \$100,000 is allocated to the New Jersey Agricultural Society’s Farmers Against Hunger Program. Farmers Against Hunger distributes excess food donated by farms and markets to various organizations that provide food directly to individuals.

As amended and reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 5405 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill No. 3527 (1R), which also was amended and reported by the committee on this date.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments clarify that \$100,000 is to be allocated to the Farmers Against Hunger Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.

SENATE, No. 3527

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 9, 2021

Sponsored by:

Senator STEPHEN M. SWEENEY

District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

Senator STEVEN V. OROHO

District 24 (Morris, Sussex and Warren)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senators O'Scanlon and Singleton

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SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3527

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As reported, Senate Bill No. 3527 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 5405, which was also reported by the committee on this date.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3527

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 22, 2021

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Governor Murphy Signs Legislation to Provide \$10 Million to Support Food Banks in New Jersey

04/21/2021

TRENTON – Today, Governor Phil Murphy signed A5405, which will direct \$10 million from the Coronavirus Relief Fund established under the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to the New Jersey Department of Agriculture. This funding will be distributed to seven New Jersey food banks in order to continue providing families with food assistance during the pandemic. Governor Murphy previously allocated \$25 million in Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) funding to food banks in New Jersey.

“Our food banks have been a critical resource for thousands of families impacted by the pandemic,” **said Governor Murphy**. “Today’s necessary funding will help organizations to continue supporting New Jerseyans to put food on the table for their families. I want to thank our Congressional Delegation for their commitment to secure this funding.”

The funding will be distributed to the following organizations:

- Community Food Bank of New Jersey, \$5,200,000;
- The Food Bank of South Jersey, \$1,500,000;
- Fulfill Monmouth & Ocean, \$1,500,000;
- Mercer Street Friends Food Bank, \$1,100,000;
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- Farmers Against Hunger, \$100,000.

“Food banks carry out a crucial and valuable role in serving the food insecure for all communities throughout New Jersey,” **NJDA Secretary Douglas Fisher said**. “This funding will help ensure access to meals and the necessary assistance for those who may find themselves in need of a helping hand during a time of stress.”

“Food insecurity is a quiet crisis that has been made worse by the pandemic,” **said Senate President Steve Sweeney**. “The economic fallout has made it tragically hard for a growing number of families to put food on their tables. No one in America should be allowed to go hungry and no family should be forced to live with the fear of not knowing where the next meal is coming from. These food banks are a lifeline for those in need during a time of difficult challenges.”

“Over 1.2 million people in this state now suffer from food insecurity, a staggering number that has increased substantially because of COVID-19,” **said Senator Steven Oroho**. “By lending a helping hand to large food banks, this law will help address the hunger crisis in New Jersey head-on.”

“Far too many families are struggling to put food on the table right now because of the financial impact of COVID-19,” **said Speaker Craig Coughlin, Assemblywoman Angela Speight, and Assemblyman John Armato, in a joint statement**. “Throughout this crisis, food banks have been providing critical support to community members in need – ensuring no one who seeks their help goes home hungry. Allocating funds to New Jersey’s food banks will help these organizations continue their important mission of helping residents get through challenging times.”