



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 644**

January Session, 2021

Substitute House Bill No. 5742

*House of Representatives, May 10, 2021*

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. WALKER of the 93rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, MENTAL HEALTH, SUICIDE PREVENTION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICE PROVIDERS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy  
2 and Management shall distribute \$10,000,000, from the undisbursed  
3 portion of funds received by the state pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid,  
4 Relief, and Economic Security Act, P.L. 116-136, as amended from time  
5 to time, and the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental  
6 Appropriations Act, P.L. 116-260, as amended from time to time, as  
7 grants to private providers of domestic violence, mental health, suicide  
8 prevention and substance abuse services for individuals experiencing  
9 such issues as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. As used in this  
10 section, "COVID-19" means the respiratory disease designated by the  
11 World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019,  
12 and any related mutation thereof recognized by the World Health  
13 Organization as a communicable respiratory disease.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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**APP**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 21 \$	FY 22 \$
Policy & Mgmt., Off.	FF - See Below	See Below	See Below

Note: FF=Federal Funds

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill requires the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to distribute \$10 million in undisbursed, federal COVID relief funds to provide grants to private providers of domestic violence, mental health, suicide prevention and substance abuse services for individuals experiencing such issues as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The bill is effective from passage and therefore funds may be distributed beginning in FY 21.

**The Out Years**

Timeframes for obligation and expenditure of funds varies by federal funding source.

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**OFA Bill Analysis**

**HB 5742**

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, MENTAL HEALTH, SUICIDE PREVENTION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICE PROVIDERS.***

**SUMMARY:**

The bill requires the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to distribute grants to certain providers using \$10 million in undisbursed funds received by the state pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act, P.L. 116-136 and P.L. 116-260, respectively. Grants will support private providers of domestic violence, mental health, suicide prevention and substance abuse services for individuals experiencing such issues as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 50 Nay 0 (04/21/2021)