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Amends Title [NO]  
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Date \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

Senator deViere

1 moves to amend the bill on page 6, line 49, by deleting "60,500,000" and substituting  
2 "30,500,000";

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4 and on page 27, line 24, by deleting "sixty" and substituting "thirty";

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6 and on page 27, line 25, by deleting "(60,500,000)" and substituting "(30,500,000)"

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8 and on page 6, lines 50-51, by inserting between the lines the following language to read:

9 "(51a) \$20,000,000 to the Department of Commerce for grants awarded pursuant to  
10 Section 4.19 of S.L. 2020-4, as enacted by Section 1.3 of this act.

11 (51b) \$10,000,000 to the Department of Administration for grants awarded, in  
12 consultation with the North Carolina Pandemic Recovery Office, pursuant to  
13 Section 4.20 of S.L. 2020-4, as enacted by Section 1.3 of this act.;"

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15 and on page 26, lines 5-6, by inserting between the lines the following language to read:

16 "**SMALL BUSINESS GRANT RELIEF**

17 "**SECTION 4.19.(a)** Transfer; appropriation. – The State Controller shall transfer the sum  
18 of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year from the Reserve  
19 established in Section 2.1 of S.L. 2020-4 to the Fund established in Section 2.2 of S.L. 2020-4,  
20 and there is appropriated from that Fund to OSBM the sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000)  
21 to be allocated to the Department of Commerce and used as provided in this section. Funds  
22 appropriated in this section remain available to expend until December 30, 2020. The provisions  
23 of Part I of S.L. 2020-4 apply to this section.

24 "**SECTION 4.19.(b)** Purpose. – The purpose of this section is to use funds from the  
25 Coronavirus Relief Fund to help businesses in North Carolina that closed during the COVID-19  
26 pandemic by providing grants awarded by the Economic Investment Committee for costs of  
27 COVID-19 related rent, mortgage, or other facility utilization costs and utilities.

28 "**SECTION 4.19.(c)** Business Facilities Assistance Program. – There is created the  
29 COVID-19 Business Facilities Assistance Business Program to be administered by the Economic  
30 Investment Committee. The Committee may provide a one-time grant to each qualifying  
31 business. The Committee shall prioritize grants to qualifying businesses that employed no more



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1 than 100 full-time employees, or full-time equivalent employees, for the pay period ending on or  
2 about February 28, 2020.

3 **"SECTION 4.19.(d)** Grant Program Application; Limitations. – A qualifying business must  
4 apply to the Economic Investment Committee for a grant on a form prescribed by the Committee  
5 and must include any supporting documentation required by the Committee. The application  
6 must be filed with the Committee on or before October 1, 2020. The Committee may not accept  
7 late applications. The grant amount to a qualifying business may not exceed twenty-five thousand  
8 dollars (\$25,000), and the total of all funds granted under this Program may not exceed fifty  
9 million dollars (\$50,000,000). The Committee's grant determinations based on applications  
10 timely filed are final.

11 **"SECTION 4.19.(e)** Definitions. – The following definitions apply in this section:

- 12 (1) CARES Act. – The federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security  
13 Act, P.L. 116-136.
- 14 (2) COVID-19 period. – The period beginning on March 1, 2020, and ending on  
15 December 31, 2020.
- 16 (3) Economic Investment Committee. – Defined in G.S. 143B-437.51.
- 17 (4) Full-time employee. – Defined in G.S. 143B-437.51.
- 18 (5) Qualifying business. – An entity subject to income tax under Article 4 of  
19 Chapter 105 of the General Statutes that ceased business operations as a result  
20 of the COVID-19 pandemic during the COVID-19 period.

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22 **"SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT GRANT PROGRAM**

23 **"SECTION 4.20.(a)** Transfer; appropriation. – The State Controller shall transfer the sum  
24 of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year from the Reserve established  
25 in Section 2.1 of S.L. 2020-4 to the Fund established in Section 2.2 of S.L. 2020-4, and there is  
26 appropriated from that Fund to OSBM the sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to be  
27 allocated to the Department of Administration and used as provided in this section. Funds  
28 appropriated in this section remain available to expend until December 30, 2020. The provisions  
29 of Part I of S.L. 2020-4 apply to this section.

30 **"SECTION 4.20.(b)** Purpose. – The purpose of this section is to use funds from the  
31 Coronavirus Relief Fund to help businesses in North Carolina that closed during the COVID-19  
32 pandemic by providing grants awarded by the Department, in consultation with the North  
33 Carolina Pandemic Recovery Office, for costs of COVID-19 related rent, mortgage, or other  
34 facility utilization costs, utilities, personnel expenses, and other operating expenses.

35 **"SECTION 4.20.(c)** Business Impact Program. – There is created the COVID-19 Business  
36 Impact Program to be administered by the Department, in consultation with the North Carolina  
37 Pandemic Recovery Office. The Department may provide a one-time grant to each qualifying  
38 business. The Committee shall prioritize grants to qualifying businesses that employed no more  
39 than 100 full-time employees, or full-time equivalent employees, for the pay period ending on or  
40 about February 28, 2020.

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SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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