



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 398

February Session, 2022



AN ACT CONCERNING ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE STATE.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The chief executive officer
2 of each municipality receiving funding from the state pursuant to the
3 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, P.L. 116-136, as
4 amended from time to time, the Coronavirus Response and Relief
5 Supplemental Appropriations Act, P.L. 116-260, as amended from time
6 to time, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, as amended from time
7 to time, or future federal funds related to COVID-19 relief shall submit
8 a report to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management on or
9 before July 1, 2022, and quarterly thereafter. Such report shall include,
10 but need not be limited to, a full accounting of the municipality's
11 expenditure of such funds. On the same date each such report is
12 submitted to said secretary, the chief executive officer shall ensure that
13 the report is posted on the municipality's Internet web site. Such report
14 shall be easily accessible to the public for viewing.

15 (b) (1) The chief executive officer of any municipality that expends
16 more than one hundred thousand dollars of such funding, in the
17 aggregate, to any one person or entity shall submit a written request to

18 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for review of such
19 expenditure. The written request for review shall include, but need not
20 be limited to, the dates and amounts of payment to the person or entity,
21 a description of the product or service provided by such person or entity
22 and the purpose of each payment.

23 (2) Not later than fifteen days after receipt of such request, the
24 secretary shall determine whether the expenditure to the person or
25 entity is an appropriate use of said funds and notify the chief executive
26 officer of said secretary's determination. If the secretary determines that
27 the expenditure to the person or entity is not an appropriate use of such
28 funds, the municipality shall not make any additional expenditure of
29 such funds to the person or entity.

30 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than ninety days after the
31 effective date of this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
32 Management shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of
33 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of
34 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
35 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies concerning
36 expenditures by executive agencies of funds received by the state
37 pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act,
38 P.L. 116-136, as amended from time to time, the Coronavirus Response
39 and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, P.L. 116-260, as amended
40 from time to time, and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, as
41 amended from time to time. Such report shall include, but not be limited
42 to (1) a full accounting of all expenditures, including (A) the date and
43 amount each payment was made, and (B) the person or entity to whom
44 each payment was made, and (2) a description of the anticipated
45 expenditure of remaining funds received pursuant to said acts.

46 (b) On the same date such report is submitted to such joint standing
47 committee, the secretary shall ensure that the report is posted on the
48 Office of Policy and Management's Internet web site. Such report shall
49 be easily accessible to the public for viewing.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

APP *Joint Favorable Subst.*