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SENATE BILL 822

Short Title: CARES Act Funds for Winston-Salem. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Lowe (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

May 20, 2020

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FEDERAL CARES ACT FUNDS TO THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO BE USED TO PREVENT COMMUNITY SPREAD OF COVID-19.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) The State Controller shall transfer the sum of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) from the Local Government Coronavirus Relief Reserve established in Section 2.3 of S.L. 2020-4 to the Coronavirus Relief Fund established in Section 2.2 of that same act.

SECTION 1.(b) There is appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) the sum of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to be allocated to the City of Winston-Salem (City) to be used for expenditures that are consistent with the most recently published United States Treasury Department guidance for the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund created under the CARES Act, P.L. 116-136.

SECTION 1.(c) The City shall be liable to the State for any misuse or mishandling of the funds appropriated in this act, and the funds shall be subject to clawback and other appropriate measures, including the reduction or elimination of other State funds. Any officer, official, or employee of the City who violates this section shall be subject to a civil action by the State and held personally liable to reimburse the State. Beginning October 1, 2020, and then quarterly thereafter, the City shall report to OSBM on the use of allocated funds until all funds are expended and accounted for.

SECTION 2. The guidance, reporting, and audit requirements contained in Sections 1.6, 1.7, and 1.8, respectively, of S.L. 2020-4 shall apply to this act.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2020.

