

SUMMARY OF SELECT PROVISIONS S.B. 172, Additional COVID-19 Response & Relief

Since the start of the pandemic, the North Carolina General Assembly has passed several budget packages to allocate federal relief funding. With the passage of the **American Rescue Plan**, North Carolina is slated to receive roughly \$26.2 billion in federal funds to address various COVID-19 related needs.

The Senate recently passed **Senate Bill 172** to allocate some of those funds, and the House is expected to move quickly to approve the measure. S.B. 172 is a very fiscally conservative approach to allocating this historic relief money. Senate budget writes did not appropriate the entire federal funding, in part because they would like to see what additional needs arise in the future. In addition, roughly \$10 million from 2020 relief funds still remain unspent from the state's Coronavirus Relief Fund.

BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Early Childhood Programs

Federal Grant Programs- \$6.35 billion for various federal grant programs, including:

- Child Care Stabilization Grants- \$805 million
- Child Care Entitlement to States- \$16 million
- IDEA: Preschool Grants- \$5.96 million
- IDEA: Infants and Toddlers- \$6.2 million
- Community- Based Child Abuse Prevention-\$7.6 million
- Child Abuse State Grants- \$3 million

K-12 Education

K-12 Schools- \$3.2 billion for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund. YMCA-\$19.8 million to the YMCA of the Triangle Area to launch a grant program for eligible YMCAs, YWCA, Boys and Girls Clubs county and municipal parks and community-based organizations across the state. The program will focus on increased access to virtual learning for students.

Nutrition

SNAP State Administrative Expense Grants - \$35.4 million WIC- \$19.9 million

Mortgage and Rental Assistance

\$18.1 million - Buncombe County
\$8.8 million - Cabarrus County
\$31.1 million - Cumberland County
\$16.2 million - Durham County
\$28.6 million - Forsyth County
\$15.1 million - Gaston County
\$36.8 million - Guilford County
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\$11.5 million - Johnston County
\$49.4 million - Mecklenburg County
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\$6.1 million - Union County
\$30 million - Wake County
\$711 million will be divided among 16 multi-county regions across the state