

House Bill 647

By: Representatives Smith of the 13th, Post 2 and Watson of the 60th, Post 2

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To provide for the Department of Labor a supplemental appropriation, pursuant to and in
2 accordance with provisions of Code Section 34-8-81 of the Official Code of Georgia
3 Annotated, relating to the creation and purposes of the Employment Security Administration
4 Fund, and Code Section 34-8-85 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
5 certain withdrawals from the Unemployment Trust Fund, of additional funds which are
6 otherwise available to the Department of Labor out of funds credited to and held in this
7 state's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury of the
8 United States pursuant to Section 903 of the Social Security Act, as amended, for the purpose
9 of providing for the payment of expenses of administration of Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the
10 Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Employment Security Law," as amended, including
11 personal services and operating and other expenses incurred in the administration of said law,
12 as well as for the procurement, through purchase or rental, either or both, of offices, lands,
13 buildings or parts of buildings, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, supplies, and the
14 construction of buildings or parts of buildings suitable for use in this state by the Department
15 of Labor, and for the payment of expenses incurred for the construction, maintenance,
16 improvements, or repair of or alterations to such real or personal property; to authorize the
17 Commissioner of Labor to direct the obligation and expenditure of said funds and to employ
18 workers, contract with persons, public and private agencies, corporations, and other entities,
19 and to do all other things necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act; to provide an
20 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

22 **SECTION 1.**

23 There is appropriated to the Department of Labor out of funds credited to and held in this
24 state's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury of the
25 United States pursuant to and in accordance with Section 903 of the Social Security Act, as
26 amended, an additional amount of \$585,100.00.

1 Of said additional amount, the sum of \$585,100.00 is authorized to be allocated for expenses
2 incurred in the administration of Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia
3 Annotated, the "Employment Security Law," as amended, including personal services and
4 operating and other expenses incurred in the administration of said laws, as well as for the
5 purchase or rental, either or both, of improvements, repairs, or alterations to and of offices,
6 lands, buildings or parts of buildings, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, supplies, and the
7 construction of buildings or parts of buildings suitable for use in this state by the Department
8 of Labor, and for the payment of expenses incurred for the acquisition, purchase, rental,
9 construction, maintenance, improvements, repairs, or alterations of and to such real or
10 personal property.

11 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, the amount appropriated in this Act
12 shall not exceed the amount in the Unemployment Trust Fund which may be obligated for
13 expenditure for such purposes as provided in Code Section 34-8-85 of the Official Code of
14 Georgia Annotated, relating to certain withdrawals from the Unemployment Trust Fund, and
15 the amount which may be obligated shall not exceed the limitations provided in Code Section
16 34-8-85 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain withdrawals from the
17 Unemployment Trust Fund, provided that said additional funds shall not be obligated for
18 expenditure, as provided in this Act, after the close of the two-year period which begins on
19 the date of enactment of this Act.

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SECTION 2.

21 The Commissioner of Labor is authorized, pursuant to and in accordance with Section 903
22 of the Social Security Act, as amended, to requisition, and to direct the obligation and
23 expenditure for use in such locations in this state as the Commissioner finds to be economical
24 and desirable, such money as authorized in this Act and in Code Section 34-8-81 of the
25 Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the creation and purposes of the Employment
26 Security Administration Fund, and Code Section 34-8-85 of the Official Code of Georgia
27 Annotated, relating to certain withdrawals from the Unemployment Trust Fund, and, in the
28 manner and for the purposes authorized in this Act, including personal services and operating
29 and other expenses incurred in the administration of said laws, as well as for the
30 procurement, through purchase or rental, either or both, of offices, lands, buildings or parts
31 of buildings, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, supplies, and the construction of buildings or
32 parts of buildings suitable for use by the Department of Labor, for the payment of expenses
33 incurred for the construction, maintenance, improvements, or repair of or alterations to such
34 real or personal property, to employ workers, contract with persons, public and private
35 agencies, corporations, and other entities, to allocate any unexpended amounts appropriated
36 by this Act, and to do all other things necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act. The

1 acquisition of any real or personal property and the expenditure of any funds appropriated
2 by this Act shall be in accordance with this state's applicable laws existing on the effective
3 date of this Act.

4 **SECTION 3.**

5 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
6 without such approval.

7 **SECTION 4.**

8 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.