House Bill 735 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

There is appropriated to the Department of Labor out of funds credited to and held in this state´s account in the Unemployment Trust Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States pursuant to and in accordance with Section 903 of the Social Security Act, as

amended, an additional amount of $1,520,724.11. Of said additional amount, the sum of $1,520,724.11 is authorized to be allocated for expenses incurred in the administration of Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Employment Security Law," as amended, including personal services and operating and other expenses incurred in the administration of said law, as well as for the purchase or rental, either or both, of improvements, repairs, or alterations to and of offices, lands, buildings or parts of buildings, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, technology, data, reports and studies, supplies, and the construction of buildings or parts of buildings suitable for use in this state by the Department of Labor, and for the payment of expenses incurred for the acquisition, purchase, rental, construction, maintenance, improvements, repairs, or alterations of and to such real or personal property. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the amount appropriated in this Act shall not exceed the amount in the Unemployment Trust Fund which may be obligated for expenditure for such purposes as provided in Code Section 34-8-85 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain withdrawals from the Unemployment Trust Fund, and the amount which may be obligated shall not exceed the limitations provided in Code Section 34-8-85 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain withdrawals from the Unemployment Trust Fund; provided, however, that said additional funds shall not be obligated for expenditure, as provided in this Act, after the close of the two-year period which begins on the date of enactment of this Act.

SECTION 2.

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

necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Act. The acquisition of any real or personal property and the expenditure of any funds appropriated by this Act shall be in accordance with this state´s applicable laws existing on the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3.

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

SECTION 4.

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