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**Am. H. B. No. 169**

**Representatives Cutrona, Swearingen**

**Cosponsors: Representatives Edwards, Carfagna, Cross, Jones, O'Brien, Roemer**

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**A BILL**

To provide grants to bars and restaurants and the 1  
lodging industry and to make an appropriation. 2

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 201.10.** All items in the sections of this act 3  
numbered in the 200s are hereby appropriated as designated out 4  
of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the 5  
designated fund. For all operating appropriations made in these 6  
sections, those in the first column are for fiscal year 2020 and 7  
those in the second column are for fiscal year 2021. The 8  
operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to any 9  
other operating appropriations made for the FY 2020-FY 2021 10  
biennium. 11

**Section 209.10.** 12

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B	Dedicated Purpose Fund Group				
C	5CV1	195561	Bar and Restaurant Assistance	\$0	\$100,000,000
D	5CV1	195562	Lodging Industry Grants	\$0	\$25,000,000
E	5CV1	195631	Coronavirus Relief - Small Business Grant	\$0	\$10,000,000
F	TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group			\$0	\$135,000,000
G	TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS			\$0	\$135,000,000

BAR AND RESTAURANT ASSISTANCE 14

The foregoing appropriation item 195561, Bar and Restaurant Assistance, shall be used by the Development Services Agency to provide grants to bars and restaurants that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Grants shall be awarded in amounts of \$10,000, \$20,000, and \$30,000 and shall be awarded based on factors such as demonstrated loss of revenue and the number of employees eligible bars and restaurants employ. 15  
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LODGING INDUSTRY GRANTS 22

The foregoing appropriation item 195562, Lodging Industry Grants, shall be used by the Development Services Agency to provide grants for lodging industry businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Grants shall be awarded in amounts of \$10,000, \$20,000, and \$30,000 and shall be awarded based on factors such as a demonstrated loss of revenue and occupancy rates. 23  
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CORONAVIRUS RELIEF - SMALL BUSINESS GRANT 30

The foregoing appropriation item 195631, Coronavirus Relief - Small Business Grant, shall be used to provide a \$2,000 grant to any valid liquor permit holder who is authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption issued under Chapter 4303. of the Revised Code. Liquor permit holders who received grants under the Bar and Restaurant Assistance Fund are eligible to receive grants under this appropriation item.

**Section 250.10.** Within the limits set forth in this act, the Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from operating appropriations contained in the sections of this act numbered in the 200s shall be accounted for as though made in H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly. The operating appropriations made in these sections are subject to all provisions of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly that are generally applicable to such appropriations.

**Section 812.10.** Sections 201.10, 209.10, and 250.10 of this act are exempt from the referendum under Ohio Constitution, Article II, section 1d and therefore take effect immediately when this act becomes law.