AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 393
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and West” and substitute “West, Kagan, and Ellis”; in line 5, strike the first “and” and substitute a comma; and in lines 5 and 7, in each instance, after “developers” insert “, and nonprofit organizations”; and in line 6, strike “and” and substitute a comma.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 28, strike “AND” and substitute a comma; and in the same line, after “DEVELOPERS” insert “, AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS”.

On page 3, in line 3, after “(E)” insert “(1)”; after line 5, insert:

“(2) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPh, THE PROGRAM SHALL GIVE GRANT PRIORITY TO SMALL BUSINESSES AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT OFFER HEALTHY FOOD OPTIONS IN DESIGNATED FOOD DESERT AREAS OR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES UNDER TITLE 6 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(II) FIRST PRIORITY SHALL BE GIVEN TO NEW, RECOVERING, OR EXPANDING SMALL BUSINESSES AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPh AND SOURCE FRESH FOOD FROM FARMERS IN THE STATE.”;

in line 25, strike “THE” and substitute “(I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPh, THE”; after line 27, insert:
“(II) 1. **The Program may award an eligible small business or nonprofit organization that offers healthy food options in designated food desert areas or sustainable communities under Title 6 of this article a rental grant not exceeding $2,500 for each month for a period not exceeding 5 years.**

2. **A small business or nonprofit organization awarded a grant under subsubparagraph 1 of this subparagraph may submit an application to renew the rental grant.**;

in line 5, after “BUSINESSES” insert “AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS”; and in line 17, after “BUSINESSES” insert “OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS”.

On page 3 in lines 6, 9, 13, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 30, and 31, and on page 4 in lines 3, 11, and 17, in each instance, after “BUSINESS” insert “OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION”.

On page 4, in lines 1 and 5, in each instance, after the first “BUSINESS” insert “OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION”; in line 16, strike “OR”; in line 18, after “PARAGRAPH” insert “; OR

(III) **A period not exceeding 5 years for a small business or nonprofit organization that offers healthy food options in designated food desert areas or sustainable communities under Title 6 of this article.**

(5) **A small business or nonprofit organization awarded a grant under paragraph (4)(III) of this subsection may submit an application to renew the business operations grant**;
and after line 20, insert:

“(J) **ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2023, AND EACH NOVEMBER 1 THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE SENATE EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE FOLLOWING FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING REPORTING PERIOD:**

1. **THE IMPLEMENTATION AND PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAM AND USE OF THE PROJECT RESTORE FUND;**

2. **THE AMOUNT OF GRANT MONEY AWARDED;**

3. **THE AMOUNT OF GRANT MONEY RECEIVED BY EACH COUNTY;**

AND

4. **THE TYPE OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVED GRANT MONEY AND IN WHAT AMOUNTS.**

On page 5, in line 20, strike “FOR BUSINESS–RELATED” and substitute “AS”; and in the same line, after “GRANTS” insert “FOR BUSINESSES OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS”.

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**

On page 6, in line 8, after “2022.” insert “It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of September 30, 2027, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.