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**SENATE BILL NO. 595**

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 59.1 a chapter numbered 22.19, consisting of a section numbered 59.1-284.40, relating to Nitrile Glove Manufacturing Training Grant Program; established.*

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Referred to Committee on Education and Health

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Title 59.1 a chapter numbered 22.19, consisting of a section numbered 59.1-284.40, as follows:**

**CHAPTER 22.19.****NITRILE GLOVE MANUFACTURING TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM.****§ 59.1-284.40. Nitrile Glove Manufacturing Training Grant Program.**

A. In order to support the recruiting and training needs of companies with facilities located in the Mount Rogers Planning District that manufacture nitrile gloves for personal protective equipment, or manufacture the inputs used to manufacture such gloves, up to \$4,601,000 shall be made available to the Virginia Economic Development Partnership through the Virginia Talent Accelerator Program to provide grants to such companies. Subject to appropriation, grants shall be awarded as follows:

1. \$1,427,000 for the Commonwealth's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021;
2. \$1,987,000 less the total amount of funds previously awarded pursuant to this subsection for the Commonwealth's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022;
3. \$2,722,000 less the total amount of funds previously awarded pursuant to this subsection for the Commonwealth's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023;
4. \$3,574,000 less the total amount of funds previously awarded pursuant to this subsection for the Commonwealth's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024; and
5. \$4,601,000 less the total amount of funds previously awarded pursuant to this subsection for the Commonwealth's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.

B. Grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be used to provide recruitment and training services for employees of a company described in subsection A. Services shall be coordinated by the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority through the Virginia Talent Accelerator Program.

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