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A bill to be entitled

An act implementing the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent; providing accounting requirements for the state universities for the 2003-2004 fiscal year; amending ss. 430.204 and 430.205, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to fund certain community care services and core services for the elderly; amending s. 216.292, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services to transfer funds within the family safety program; amending s. 561.121, F.S.; providing that moneys in the Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund may also be used for the purpose of funding programs directed at reducing and eliminating substance abuse problems among adults; amending s. 409.1671, F.S.; requiring that funds for privatized foster care and related services be allocated in accordance with a methodology adopted by the Department of Children and Family Services by rule and granting rulemaking authority for such purpose; providing for lump sum funding in the Department of Children and Family Services to provide for continuity of foster care under certain circumstances; amending s. 394.908, F.S.; providing for substance abuse and mental health funding equity as provided in the General Appropriations Act; authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services to procure contractual services to outsource the operation of the Northeast Florida State Hospital; amending s. 381.0066, F.S.; continuing the additional fee on new construction permits for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems the proceeds of which are used for system

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research, demonstration, and training projects; amending s. 385.207, F.S.; authorizing appropriation of funds in the Epilepsy Services Trust Fund for epilepsy case management services; authorizing the Department of Law Enforcement to use certain moneys to provide bonuses to employees for meritorious performance, subject to review; amending s. 216.181, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Law Enforcement to transfer positions and associated budget and a certain percentage of salary rate between budget entities and providing requirements with respect thereto; authorizing the Correctional Privatization Commission to make certain expenditures to defray costs incurred by a municipality or county as a result of opening or operating a facility under authority of the commission or the Department of Juvenile Justice; amending s. 16.555, F.S.; authorizing use of the Crime Stoppers Trust Fund to pay for salaries and benefits and other expenses of the Department of Legal Affairs; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; allowing municipal special law enforcement trust funds to be used to reimburse certain loans from municipalities; amending s. 581.184, F.S.; requiring notice to the property owner of the removal of infected citrus trees or citrus trees exposed to infection; amending s. 581.1845, F.S.; revising eligibility for compensation of homeowners under the citrus canker eradication program; prescribing the amount of compensation for trees taken in the citrus canker eradication program; amending s. 61.1826, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the special master to resolve disputes involving cooperative agreement and contract



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terms for certain state and federal child support provisions; amending s. 287.161, F.S.; requiring the Department of Management Services to charge all persons receiving transportation from the executive aircraft pool a specified rate; amending s. 110.12315, F.S.; providing copayment requirements for the state employees' prescription drug program; amending s. 110.1239, F.S.; providing requirements for the funding of the state group health insurance program; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; providing for computation of travel time and reimbursement for public officers' and employees' travel; amending s. 252.373, F.S.; providing for use of funds of the Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund, including use of certain funds as state match for current federally approved disaster projects; amending s. 215.559, F.S.; providing that use of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund shall be as provided in the General Appropriations Act; amending s. 253.025, F.S.; providing that the use of funds allocated to the Relocation and Construction Trust Fund shall be as provided in the General Appropriations Act; amending s. 290.044, F.S.; eliminating required distribution percentages for program categories from the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Fund and authorizing the set-aside of a certain amount of such funds for certain emergency-related activities; amending s. 402.3017, F.S.; providing for administration of the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (TEACH) scholarship program by the Agency for Workforce Innovation; amending s. 411.01, F.S.; providing priority for placement of children in the school



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readiness program; amending s. 1013.62, F.S.; providing that funds for charter school capital outlay funding shall be distributed by the Department of Education as provided in the General Appropriations Act; amending s. 1009.66, F.S.; deleting certain provisions relating to investment and use of interest income of the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Trust Fund; amending s. 385.207, F.S.; deleting certain provisions relating to investment and use of interest income of the Epilepsy Services Trust Fund; amending s. 570.544, F.S.; reducing consumer complaint processing responsibilities of the Division of Consumer Services of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending ss. 526.3135 and 559.921, F.S., to conform; amending s. 288.063, F.S.; providing for funds for certain transportation projects approved by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to be subject to reversion; amending s. 339.08, F.S.; transferring \$200 million from the State Transportation Trust Fund to the General Revenue Fund; reducing the amount transferred from certain transportation calculation requirements; providing for transfer pursuant to law or a type two transfer of all powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to the Office of the Auditor General; providing for a type two transfer of all powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Council for Education Policy Research and Improvement to the Office of the Auditor General;



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providing for future repeal or expiration of various provisions; providing for reversion of certain provisions; providing effect of veto of specific appropriation or proviso to which implementing language refers; providing applicability to other legislation; incorporating by reference specified performance measures and standards directly linked to the appropriations made in the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, as required by the Government Performance and Accountability Act of 1994; providing severability; providing for construction of the act in pari materia with laws enacted during the 2003 Regular Session of the Legislature; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that the implementing and administering provisions of this act apply to the General Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2003-2004.
- Section 2. <u>In order to implement Specific Appropriations</u>
 7-11, 123-128, and 130 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations
 <u>Act:</u>
 - (1) Effective July 1, 2003, each university that has not made the transition from the state accounting system (FLAIR) shall utilize the state accounting system for fiscal year 2003-2004 but is not required to provide funds to the Department of Financial Services for its utilization.
 - (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of ss. 216.181,216.292, and 1011.4105, Florida Statutes, and pursuant to s.216.351, Florida Statutes, funds appropriated or reappropriated

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HB 0023A 2003 to the state universities in the 2003-2004 General 151 Appropriations Act, or any other act passed by the 2003 152 Legislature containing appropriations, shall be distributed to 153 each university according to the 2003-2004 fiscal year operating 154 budget approved by the university board of trustees. Each 155 156 university board of trustees shall have authority to amend the operating budget as circumstances warrant. The operating budget 157 may utilize traditional appropriation categories or it may 158 consolidate the appropriations into a special category 159 appropriation account. The Chief Financial Officer, upon the 160 request of the university board of trustees, shall record by 161 journal transfer the distribution of the appropriated funds and 162 163 releases according to the approved operating budget to the 164 appropriation accounts established for disbursement purposes for 165 each university within the state accounting system (FLAIR). (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of ss. 216.181, 166 216.292, 1004.22, and 1011.4105, Florida Statutes, and pursuant 167 to s. 216.351, Florida Statutes, each university board of 168 trustees shall include in an approved operating budget the 169 revenue in trust funds supported by student and other fees as 170 well as the trust funds within the Contract, Grants, and 171 172 Donations, Auxiliary Enterprises, and Sponsored Research budget entities. The university board of trustees shall have the 173 authority to amend the operating budget as circumstances 174 warrant. The operating budget may utilize traditional 175 appropriation categories or it may consolidate the trust fund 176 spending authority into a special category appropriation 177 account. The Chief Financial Officer, upon the request of the 178 179 university board of trustees, shall record the distribution of the trust fund spending authority and releases according to the 180



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approved operating budget to the appropriation accounts
established for disbursement purposes for each university within
the state accounting system (FLAIR).

(4) This section expires July 1, 2004.

Section 3. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 426-441 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 430.204, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.204 Community-care-for-the-elderly core services; departmental powers and duties.--

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(b) For fiscal year 2003-2004 2002-2003 only, the department shall fund, through each area agency on aging in each county as defined in s. 125.011(1), more than one community care service system the primary purpose of which is the prevention of unnecessary institutionalization of functionally impaired elderly persons through the provision of community-based core services. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 426-441 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 430.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.205 Community care service system.--

(1)

(b) For fiscal year 2003-2004 2002-2003 only, the department shall fund, through the area agency on aging in each county as defined in s. 125.011(1), more than one community care service system that provides case management and other in-home and community services as needed to help elderly persons



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institutional care. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 5. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 274-276 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (12) of section 216.292, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.292 Appropriations nontransferable; exceptions.--

(12) For the $2003-2004 \frac{2002-2003}{2002-2003}$ fiscal year only, and notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, the Department of Children and Family Services may transfer funds within the family safety program identified in the General Appropriations Act from identical funding sources between the following appropriation categories without limitation as long as such a transfer does not result in an increase to the total recurring general revenue or trust fund cost of the agency in the subsequent fiscal year: adoption services and subsidy; family foster care; and emergency shelter care. Such transfers must be consistent with legislative policy and intent and must not adversely affect achievement of approved performance outcomes or outputs in the family safety program. Notice of proposed transfers under this authority must be provided to the Executive Office of the Governor and the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees at least 5 working days before their implementation. This subsection expires July 1,

Section 6. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 357 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 561.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

561.121 Deposit of revenue.--



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 $(4)\underline{(a)}$ State funds collected pursuant to s. 561.501 shall be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the following accounts:

- 1.(a) Twenty-seven and two-tenths percent of the surcharge on the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises shall be transferred to the Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund, which shall remain with the Department of Children and Family Services for the purpose of funding programs directed at reducing and eliminating substance abuse problems among children and adolescents.
- 2.(b) The remainder of collections shall be credited to the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) For the 2003-2004 fiscal year only, and notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (a)1., moneys in the Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund may also be used for the purpose of funding programs directed at reducing and eliminating substance abuse problems among adults. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004.
- Section 7. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 265-268, 268B, 270A-272, and 274-277, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 409.1671, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 409.1671 Foster care and related services; privatization.--

(1)

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the department will continue to work towards full privatization by initiating the competitive procurement process in each county by January 1, 2003. In order to provide for an adequate transition period to develop the necessary administrative and service



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HB 0023A 2003 delivery capacity in each community, the full transfer of all foster care and related services must be completed statewide by December 31, 2004. The department shall adopt by rule pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 a methodology for determining and transferring all available funds currently associated with the services that are being furnished under contract. This methodology must provide for the transfer of funds appropriated and budgeted for all services and programs that have been incorporated into this program, including furniture, equipment, and administrative funds, to accomplish the transfer of these programs. The funds appropriated for this program that are distributed between the counties and the districts and to community-based care providers in the state to provide child protective services as contemplated in this subsection shall be allocated pursuant to the terms of the rule. The rule shall provide for a phased implementation of its provisions, and until such time as the rule is finalized and adopted the department shall allocate funds in the same proportion as the annualized distribution of funds at the end of fiscal year 2002-2003. The amendment of paragraph (b) of subsection Section 8. (1) of s. 409.1671, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act. Section 9. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 269A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of section 409.1671, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:



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409.1671 Foster care and related services; privatization.--

- (7)The department, in consultation with existing lead agencies, shall develop a proposal regarding the long-term use and structure of a statewide shared earnings program which addresses the financial risk to eligible lead community-based providers resulting from unanticipated caseload growth or from significant changes in client mixes or services eligible for federal reimbursement. The recommendations in the statewide proposal must also be available to entities of the department until the conversion to community-based care takes place. At a minimum, the proposal must allow for use of federal earnings received from child welfare programs, which earnings are determined by the department to be in excess of the amount appropriated in the General Appropriations Act, to be used for specific purposes. These purposes include, but are not limited to:
- (a) Significant changes in the number or composition of clients eligible to receive services.
- (b) Significant changes in the services that are eligible for reimbursement.
- (c) Significant changes in the availability of federal funds.
- (d) Shortfalls in state funds available for eligible or ineligible services.
 - (e) Significant changes in the mix of available funds.
- (f) Scheduled or unanticipated, but necessary, advances to providers or other cash-flow issues.
- (g) Proposals to participate in optional Medicaid services or other federal grant opportunities.

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- (h) Appropriate incentive structures.
- (i) Continuity of care in the event of lead agency failure, discontinuance of service, or financial misconduct.

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The department shall further specify the necessary steps to ensure the financial integrity of these dollars and their continued availability on an ongoing basis. The final proposal shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Commission for formal adoption before December 31, 2002. If the Legislative Budget Commission refuses to concur with the adoption of the proposal, the department shall present its proposal in the form of recommended legislation to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives before the commencement of the next legislative session. For fiscal year 2003-2004 and annually thereafter, the department of Children and Family Services may request in its legislative budget request, and the Governor may recommend, the funding necessary to carry out paragraph (i) from excess federal earnings. The General Appropriations Act shall include any funds appropriated for this purpose in a lump sum in the department Administered Funds Program, which funds constitute partial security for lead agency contract performance. The department shall use this appropriation to offset the need for a performance bond for that year after a comparison of risk to the funds available. In no event shall this performance bond exceed 2.5 percent of the annual contract value. The department may separately require a bond to mitigate the financial consequences of potential acts of malfeasance, misfeasance, or criminal violations by the provider. Prior to the release of any funds in the lump sum, the department shall submit a detailed operational plan, which must



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identify the sources of specific trust funds to be used. The release of the trust fund shall be subject to the notice and review provisions of s. 216.177. However, the release shall not require approval of the Legislative Budget Commission.

Section 10. The amendment of subsection (7) of s.

409.1671, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1,

2004, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in

existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such

text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and

continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not

dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant

to the provisions of this act.

Section 11. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 324-357A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (8) of section 394.908, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

394.908 Substance abuse and mental health funding equity; distribution of appropriations.—In recognition of the historical inequity among service districts of the former Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in the funding of substance abuse and mental health services, and in order to rectify this inequity and provide for equitable funding in the future throughout the state, the following funding process shall be adhered to:

(8) For fiscal year 2003-2004 2002-2003 only, and notwithstanding the provisions of this section, all new funds received in excess of fiscal year 2002-2003 2001-2002 recurring appropriations shall be allocated in accordance with the provisions of the General Appropriations Act; however, no district shall receive an allocation of recurring funds less than its initial approved operating budget, plus any



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distributions of lump sum appropriations <u>or reductions in</u> <u>unfunded budget</u>, for fiscal year <u>2002-2003</u> 2001-2002. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 12. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 415 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, for the 2003-2004 fiscal year only, and notwithstanding the provisions of s. 287.057, Florida Statutes, the Department of Children and Family Services is authorized to procure contractual services to outsource the operation of the Northeast Florida State Hospital with a qualified vendor with experience in operating a mental health treatment facility in this state. This section expires July 1, 2004.

Section 13. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 519 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (k) of subsection (2) of section 381.0066, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.0066 Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; fees.--

- (2) The minimum fees in the following fee schedule apply until changed by rule by the department within the following limits:
- (k) Research: An additional \$5 fee shall be added to each new system construction permit issued during fiscal years 1996-2004 1996-2003 to be used for onsite sewage treatment and disposal system research, demonstration, and training projects. Five dollars from any repair permit fee collected under this section shall be used for funding the hands-on training centers described in s. 381.0065(3)(j).



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The funds collected pursuant to this subsection must be deposited in a trust fund administered by the department, to be used for the purposes stated in this section and ss. 381.0065 and 381.00655.

Section 14. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 477 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (6) of section 385.207, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

385.207 Care and assistance of persons with epilepsy; establishment of programs in epilepsy control.--

(6) For the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, funds in the Epilepsy Services Trust Fund may be appropriated for epilepsy case management services. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 15. Consistent with the provisions of s. 216.163, Florida Statutes, in accordance with performance-based program budgeting requirements, and notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.181, Florida Statutes, the Department of Law Enforcement may transfer up to one-half of 1 percent of the funds in Specific Appropriations 1118, 1139, 1148, 1156, 1168, 1170, 1175, 1181, 1190, and 1195 of the 2002-2003 General Appropriations Act for salary bonuses for departmental employees at the discretion of the executive director, provided that such bonuses are given only to selected employees for meritorious performance, instead of being given as across-the-board bonuses for all employees. The department, after consultation with the Executive Office of the Governor, shall provide a plan to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees responsible for producing the General Appropriations Act for review before awarding such bonuses. This section expires July 1, 2004.



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Section 16. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1118-1201 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (17) of section 216.181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 216.181 Approved budgets for operations and fixed capital outlay.--
- (17) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, and for the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, the Department of Law Enforcement may transfer up to 20 positions and associated budget between budget entities, provided the same funding source is used throughout each transfer. The department may also transfer up to 10 percent of the initial approved salary rate between budget entities, provided the same funding source is used throughout each transfer. The department must provide notice to the Executive Office of the Governor, the chair of the Senate Budget Committee, and the chair of the House Committee on Criminal Justice Appropriations for all transfers of positions or salary rate. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 17. In order to implement proviso language following Specific Appropriation 642 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, the Correctional Privatization Commission may expend appropriated funds to assist in defraying the costs of impacts that are incurred by a municipality or county and associated with opening or operating a facility under the authority of the Correctional Privatization Commission or a facility under the authority of the Department of Juvenile Justice which is located within that municipality or county. The amount that is to be paid under this section for any facility may not exceed 1 percent of the facility construction cost, less



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building impact fees imposed by the municipality or by the county if the facility is located in the unincorporated portion of the county. This section expires July 1, 2004.

Section 18. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1202-1256 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 16.555, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

16.555 Crime Stoppers Trust Fund; rulemaking.--

(3)

- (b) For the 2003-2004 2002-2003 state fiscal year only, and notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, moneys in the trust fund may also be used to pay for salaries and benefits and other expenses of the department. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.
- Section 19. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1164 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section 932.7055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

932.7055 Disposition of liens and forfeited property.--

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- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, and for the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, the funds in a special law enforcement trust fund established by the governing body of a municipality may be expended to reimburse the general fund of the municipality for moneys advanced from the general fund to the special law enforcement trust fund prior to October 1, 2001. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.
- Section 20. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1394A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b)



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of subsection (2) of section 581.184, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

581.184 Adoption of rules; citrus canker eradication; voluntary destruction agreements.--

(2)

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), and for the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, notice of the removal of infected citrus trees and citrus trees exposed to infection, by immediate final order, shall be provided to the owner of the property on which such trees are located. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 21. In order to implement section 23 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsection (6) of section 581.1845, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

581.1845 Citrus canker eradication; compensation to homeowners whose trees have been removed.--

(2)

- (b) Notwithstanding subparagraph (a)1., and for compensation during the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, to be eligible to receive compensation under the program for residential property where one or more citrus trees have been removed on or after July 1, 2001, as part of a citrus canker eradication program, a homeowner must be the homeowner of record on the date the trees were removed. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.
- (6) For the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, and notwithstanding the \$100-compensation amount specified in subsection (3), the amount of compensation for each tree removed



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from residential property by the citrus canker eradication program shall be \$55. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 22. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2804 and 2819 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 61.1826, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 61.1826 Procurement of services for State Disbursement Unit and the non-Title IV-D component of the State Case Registry; contracts and cooperative agreements; penalties; withholding payment.--
- (4) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT TERMS.--The contract between the Florida Association of Court Clerks and the department, and cooperative agreements entered into by the depositories and the department, must contain, but are not limited to, the following terms:
- (a) The initial term of the contract and cooperative agreements is for 5 years. The subsequent term of the contract and cooperative agreements is for 3 years, with the option of two 1-year renewal periods, at the sole discretion of the department.
- (b) The duties and responsibilities of the Florida Association of Court Clerks, the depositories, and the department.
- (c) Under s. 287.058(1)(a), all providers and subcontractors shall submit to the department directly, or through the Florida Association of Court Clerks, a report of monthly expenditures in a format prescribed by the department and in sufficient detail for a proper preaudit and postaudit thereof.



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(d) All providers and subcontractors shall submit to the department directly, or through the Florida Association of Court Clerks, management reports in a format prescribed by the department.

- (e) All subcontractors shall comply with chapter 280, as may be required.
- (f) Federal financial participation for eligible Title IV-D expenditures incurred by the Florida Association of Court Clerks and the depositories shall be at the maximum level permitted by federal law for expenditures incurred for the provision of services in support of child support enforcement in accordance with 45 C.F.R. part 74 and Federal Office of Management and Budget Circulars A-87 and A-122 and based on an annual cost allocation study of each depository. The depositories shall submit directly, or through the Florida Association of Court Clerks, claims for Title IV-D expenditures monthly to the department in a standardized format as prescribed by the department. The Florida Association of Court Clerks shall contract with a certified public accounting firm, selected by the Florida Association of Court Clerks and the department, to audit and certify quarterly to the department all claims for expenditures submitted by the depositories for Title IV-D reimbursement.
- (g) Upon termination of the contracts between the department and the Florida Association of Court Clerks or the depositories, the Florida Association of Court Clerks, its agents, and the depositories shall assist the department in making an orderly transition to a private vendor.
- (h) Interest on late payment by the department shall be in accordance with s. 215.422.



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If either the department or the Florida Association of Court 595 Clerks objects to a term of the standard cooperative agreement 596 or contract specified in subsections (2) and (3), the Chief 597 Financial Officer, with approval from the Governor and Cabinet, 598 shall appoint a third party to disputed term or terms shall be 599 presented jointly by the parties to the Attorney General or the 600 Attorney General's designee, who shall act as special master. 601 The special master shall resolve disputes between the department 602

and the Florida Association of Court Clerks related to

negotiation for and performance under the current contract and

any extended contract or subsequent contract. Additionally, the

special master shall resolve disputes relating to the

conformance of the state disbursement unit operations to the

recommendations in the audit performed by the chief financial

officer, or to any other audit duly conducted pursuant to state

or federal law. The special master shall resolve the dispute in

writing within 10 days. The resolution of a dispute by the

special master is binding on the department and the Florida

Association of Court Clerks.

Section 23. The amendment of subsection (4) of s. 61.1826, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Section 24. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2592-2598A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act,



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subsection (4) of section 287.161, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 287.161 Executive aircraft pool; assignment of aircraft; charge for transportation.--
- (4) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections (2) and (3), and for the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, the Department of Management Services shall charge all persons receiving transportation from the executive aircraft pool a rate not less than the mileage allowance fixed by the Legislature for the use of privately owned vehicles. Fees collected for persons traveling by aircraft in the executive aircraft pool shall be deposited into the Bureau of Aircraft Trust Fund and shall be expended for costs incurred to operate the aircraft management activities of the department. It is the intent of the Legislature that the executive aircraft pool be operated on a full cost recovery basis, less available funds. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 25. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1949B of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of section 110.12315, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

110.12315 Prescription drug program. -- The state employees' prescription drug program is established. This program shall be administered by the Department of Management Services, according to the terms and conditions of the plan as established by the relevant provisions of the annual General Appropriations Act and implementing legislation, subject to the following conditions:

- (7) Under the state employees' prescription drug program copayments must be made as follows:
 - (a) Effective January 1, 2001:



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653	1. For generic drug with
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655	2. For preferred brand name drug with
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659	4. For generic mail order
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661	5. For preferred brand name mail order
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663	6. For nonpreferred brand name
664	drug\$52.50.
665	(b) The Department of Management Services shall create a
666	preferred brand name drug list to be used in the administration
667	of the state employees' prescription drug program.
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669	This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003 .
670	Section 26. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
671	1949B of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, section
672	110.1239, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
673	110.1239 State group health insurance program
674	fundingFor the $2003-2004$ $2002-2003$ fiscal year only, it is
675	the intent of the Legislature that the state group health
676	insurance program be managed, administered, operated, and funded
677	in such a manner as to maximize the protection of state employee
678	health insurance benefits. Inherent in this intent is the
679	recognition that the health insurance liabilities attributable
680	to the benefits offered state employees should be fairly,
681	orderly, and equitably funded. Accordingly:



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(1) The division shall determine the level of premiums necessary to fully fund the state group health insurance program for the next fiscal year. Such determination shall be made after each Self-Insurance Estimating Conference as provided in s. 216.136(11), but not later than December 1 and April 1 of each fiscal year.

- (2) The Governor, in the Governor's recommended budget, shall provide premium rates necessary for full funding of the state group health insurance program, and the Legislature shall provide in the General Appropriations Act for a premium level necessary for full funding of the state group health insurance program.
- (3) For purposes of funding, any additional appropriation amounts allocated to the state group health insurance program by the Legislature shall be considered as a state contribution and thus an increase in the state premiums.
 - (4) This section expires July 1, 2004 2003.
- Section 27. In order to implement sections 2-7 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (c) of subsection (5) and paragraph (d) of subsection (6) of section 112.061, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 112.061 Per diem and travel expenses of public officers, employees, and authorized persons.--
- (5) COMPUTATION OF TRAVEL TIME FOR REIMBURSEMENT. -- For purposes of reimbursement and methods of calculating fractional days of travel, the following principles are prescribed:
- (c) For the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, and notwithstanding the other provisions of this subsection, for Class C travel, a state traveler shall not be reimbursed on a



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per diem basis nor shall a traveler receive subsistence allowance. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.

- (6) RATES OF PER DIEM AND SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE.--For purposes of reimbursement rates and methods of calculation, per diem and subsistence allowances are divided into the following groups and rates:
- (d) For the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, and notwithstanding the other provisions of this subsection, for Class C travel, a state traveler shall not be reimbursed on a per diem basis nor shall a traveler receive subsistence allowance. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004 2003.

Section 28. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1417-1419, 1421-1424, 1426, 1427, 1430, 1432, 1434, 1436-1438, 1439, 1439K-1443, and 1446-1450 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of section 252.373, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

252.373 Allocation of funds; rules.--

(1)

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), and for the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, the use of the Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund shall be as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This paragraph expires on July 1, 2004 2003.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), and for the 2003-2004 2002-2003 fiscal year only, the Department of Community Affairs shall conduct a review of funds available in the Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund. By December 31 + 2003 + 2002, when actual receipts for the 2002-2003 + 2001-2002 fiscal year are determined, the Department of Community Affairs may identify any funds that were unspent or



 unencumbered in the 2002-2003 2001-2002 fiscal year that are not required to implement appropriations for the 2002-2003 fiscal year from the Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund, and such funds may be transferred to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund to be used for the state portion of the match requirements for current federally approved disaster

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program projects. This paragraph expires

Section 29. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1432A, 1438A-1438I, 1438K, 1438L, 1438N, and 1439E-1439J of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (8) of section 215.559, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (9), and a new subsection (8) is added to said section to read:

- 215.559 Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program. --
- (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (5), and for the 2003-2004 fiscal year only, the use of the Florida

 Hurricane Catastrophe Fund shall be as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This subsection expires on July 1, 2004.

Section 30. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1303A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (e) is added to subsection (13) of section 253.025, Florida Statutes, to read:

253.025 Acquisition of state lands for purposes other than preservation, conservation, and recreation.--

(13)

July 1, 2004 2003.

(e) For the 2003-2004 fiscal year only, the use of funds allocated to the Relocation and Construction Trust Fund shall be as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004.



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Section 31. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1452-1459A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 290.044, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 290.044 Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Fund; administration; distribution.--
- The percentage of funds distributed in each of the grant program categories from federal funds for federal fiscal year 1985 shall be established by the Legislature in the appropriation process for the 1984 regular session and shall be established annually thereafter in the same manner. The department shall submit its recommendation on the distribution percentages to the Governor and Legislature as part of its regular budget proposals. The department may set aside shall provide for the set-aside of an amount of up to 5 10 percent of the funds allocated to the neighborhood revitalization category in its distribution percentages for use in any eligible local government jurisdiction for which an emergency or natural disaster has been declared by executive order. Such funds may only be provided to a local government to fund eligible emergency-related activities for which no other source of federal, state, or local disaster funds is available. The department may shall provide for such set-aside by rule. In the last quarter of the state fiscal year, any funds not allocated under the emergency-related set-aside shall be used to fully fund any applications which were partially funded due to inadequate funds in the most recently completed neighborhood revitalization category funding cycle, and then any remaining funds shall be distributed to the next unfunded applications.



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Section 32. The amendment of subsection (4) of s. 290.044, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Section 33. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2014 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, section 402.3017, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

402.3017 Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (TEACH) scholarship program.--

- (1) The Legislature finds that the level of early child care teacher education and training is a key predictor for determining program quality. The Legislature also finds that low wages for child care workers prevent many from obtaining increased training and education and contribute to high turnover rates. The Legislature therefore intends to help fund a program which links teacher training and education to compensation and commitment to the field of early childhood education.
- (2) The Department of Children and Family Services is authorized to contract for the administration of the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (TEACH) scholarship program, which provides educational scholarships to caregivers and administrators of early childhood programs, family day care homes, and large family child care homes.
- (3) The department shall adopt rules as necessary to implement this section.



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(4) For the $\underline{2003-2004}$ $\underline{2002-2003}$ fiscal year only, the Agency for Workforce Innovation shall administer this section. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 $\underline{2003}$.

Section 34. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2014 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (13) of section 411.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 411.01 Florida Partnership for School Readiness; school readiness coalitions.--
- (13) PLACEMENTS.--Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, and for fiscal year 2003-2004 2002-2003 only, the first children to be placed in the school readiness program shall be those from families receiving temporary cash assistance and subject to federal work requirements. Subsequent placements shall be pursuant to the provisions of this section. This subsection expires July 1, 2004 2003.
- Section 35. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 12C of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) is added to section 1013.62, Florida Statutes, to read:
 - 1013.62 Charter schools capital outlay funding .--
- (7) For the 2003-2004 fiscal year only, and notwithstanding subsection (1), funds for charter school capital outlay shall be distributed by the Department of Education as provided in the General Appropriations Act.

Section 36. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 584-601A of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of section 1009.66, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 71 of chapter 2002-402, Laws of Florida, and section 3 of chapter 2002-400, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

1009.66 Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program. --



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(7)(a) Funds contained in the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Trust Fund which are to be used for loan forgiveness for those nurses employed by hospitals, birth centers, and nursing homes must be matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis by contributions from the employing institutions, except that this provision shall not apply to state-operated medical and health care facilities, public schools, county health departments, federally sponsored community health centers, teaching hospitals as defined in s. 408.07, family practice teaching hospitals as defined in s. 395.805, or specialty hospitals for children as used in s. 409.9119. An estimate of the annual trust fund dollars shall be made at the beginning of the fiscal year based on historic expenditures from the trust fund. Applicant requests shall be reviewed on a quarterly basis, and applicant awards shall be based on the following priority of employer until all such estimated trust funds are awarded: state-operated medical and health care facilities; public schools; county health departments; federally sponsored community health centers; teaching hospitals as defined in s. 408.07; family practice teaching hospitals as defined in s. 395.805; specialty hospitals for children as used in s. 409.9119; and other hospitals, birth centers, and nursing homes.

(b) All Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Trust Fund moneys shall be invested pursuant to s. 18.125. Interest income accruing to that portion of the trust fund not matched shall increase the total funds available for loan forgiveness and scholarships. Pledged contributions shall not be eligible for matching prior to the actual collection of the total private contribution for the year.



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Section 37. The amendment of subsection (7) of s. 1009.66, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Section 38. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 477 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 385.207, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 73 of chapter 2002-402, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

385.207 Care and assistance of persons with epilepsy; establishment of programs in epilepsy control.--

(3) Revenue for statewide implementation of programs for epilepsy prevention and education pursuant to this section shall be derived pursuant to the provisions of s. 318.21(6) and shall be deposited in the Epilepsy Services Trust Fund, which is hereby established to be administered by the Department of Health. All funds deposited into the trust fund shall be invested pursuant to the provisions of s. 18.125. Interest income accruing to such invested funds shall increase the total funds available under this subsection.

Section 39. The amendment of subsection (3) of s. 385.207, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent



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upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Section 40. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1335-1339 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, section 570.544, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.544 Division of Consumer Services; director; powers; processing of complaints; records.--

- (1) The director of the Division of Consumer Services shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the commissioner.
 - (2) The Division of Consumer Services may:
- (a) Conduct studies and make analyses of matters affecting the interests of consumers.
 - (b) Study the operation of laws for consumer protection.
- (c) Advise and make recommendations to the various state agencies concerned with matters affecting consumers.
- (d) Assist, advise, and cooperate with local, state, or federal agencies and officials in order to promote the interests of consumers.
- (e) Make use of the testing and laboratory facilities of the department for the detection of consumer fraud.
- (f) Report to the appropriate law enforcement officers any information concerning violation of consumer protection laws.
- (g) Assist, develop, and conduct programs of consumer education and consumer information through publications and other informational and educational material prepared for dissemination to the public, in order to increase the competence of consumers.
- (h) Organize and hold conferences on problems affecting consumers.



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(i) Recommend programs to encourage business and industry to maintain high standards of honesty, fair business practices, and public responsibility in the production, promotion, and sale of consumer goods and services.

- responsibilities authorized by this or any other chapter, the Division of Consumer Services shall serve as a clearinghouse for matters relating to consumer protection, consumer information, and consumer services generally. It shall receive complaints and grievances from consumers and promptly transmit them to that agency most directly concerned in order that the complaint or grievance may be expeditiously handled in the best interests of the complaining consumer. If no agency exists, the Division of Consumer Services shall seek a settlement of the complaint using formal or informal methods of mediation and conciliation and may seek any other resolution of the matter in accordance with its jurisdiction.
- (4) If any complaint received by the Division of Consumer Services concerns matters which involve concurrent jurisdiction in more than one agency, duplicate copies of the complaint shall be referred to those offices deemed to have concurrent jurisdiction.
- (3)(5)(a) Any agency, office, bureau, division, or board of state government receiving a complaint which deals with consumer fraud or consumer protection and which is not within the jurisdiction of the receiving agency, office, bureau, division, or board originally receiving it, shall immediately refer the complaint to the Division of Consumer Services.
- (b) Upon receipt of such a complaint, the Division of Consumer Services shall make a determination of the proper



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- (6)(a) The office or agency to which a complaint has been referred shall within 30 days acknowledge receipt of the complaint and report on the disposition made of the complaint.

 In the event a complaint has not been disposed of within 30 days, the receiving office or agency shall file progress reports with the Division of Consumer Services no less frequently than 30 days until final disposition.
- (b) The report shall contain at least the following information:
- 1. A finding of whether the receiving agency has jurisdiction of the subject matter involved in the complaint.
- 2. Whether the complaint is deemed to be frivolous, sham, or without basis in fact or law.
- 3. What action has been taken and a report on whether the original complainant was satisfied with the final disposition.
- 4. Any recommendation regarding needed changes in law or procedure which in the opinion of the reporting agency or office will improve consumer protection in the area involved.
- (7)(a) If the office or agency receiving a complaint fails to file a report as contemplated in this section, that failure shall be construed as a denial by the receiving office or agency that it has jurisdiction of the subject matter contained in the complaint.
- (b) If an office or agency receiving a complaint determines that the matter presents a prima facie case for criminal prosecution or if the complaint cannot be settled at



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the administrative level, the complaint together with all supporting evidence shall be transmitted to the Department of Legal Affairs or other appropriate enforcement agency with a recommendation for civil or criminal action warranted by the evidence.

(4) (8) The records of the Division of Consumer Services are public records. However, customer lists, customer names, and trade secrets are confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1). Disclosure necessary to enforcement procedures shall not be construed as violative of this prohibition.

(5)(9) It shall be the duty of the Division of Consumer Services to maintain records and compile summaries and analyses of consumer complaints <u>under its jurisdiction</u> and their eventual disposition, which data may serve as a basis for recommendations to the Legislature and to state regulatory agencies.

Section 41. The amendment of s. 570.544, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Section 42. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1335-1339 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, section 526.3135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

526.3135 Reports by the Division of Standards.--The Division of Standards is directed to compile a report pursuant to s. 570.544 of all complaints received by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to this act. Such

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report shall contain at least the information required by s. 570.544(6)(b)2.-4. and shall be presented to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate no later than January 1 of each year.

Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Section 44. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1335-1339 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (2) of section 559.921, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

559.921 Remedies.--

(2) The department shall <u>refer</u> process consumer complaints to the Division of Consumer Services according to ss. 570.07 and 570.544.

Section 45. The amendment of subsection (2) of s. 559.921, Florida Statutes, by this act shall expire on July 1, 2004, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2003, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of such text which expire pursuant to the provisions of this act.



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Section 46. In order to implement Section 24 of the 2003
2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (10) of section

288.063, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.063 Contracts for transportation projects.--

- (10) (10) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301, funds appropriated for this purpose shall not be subject to reversion.
- (b) For the 2003-2004 fiscal year only and notwithstanding paragraph (a), funds appropriated for this purpose in previous years are subject to the reversion requirements of s. 216.301. This paragraph expires July 1, 2004.

Section 47. In order to implement Section 30 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, subsection (5) is added to section 339.08, Florida Statutes, to read:

- 339.08 Use of moneys in State Transportation Trust Fund.--
- (5) For the 2003-2004 fiscal year only and notwithstanding the provisions of this section and s. 339.09(1), \$200 million may be transferred from the State Transportation Trust Fund to the General Revenue Fund in the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act. Such transfer may be comprised of several smaller transfers made during the 2003-2004 fiscal year. Notwithstanding ss. 206.46(3) and 206.606(2), the total amount transferred shall be reduced from total state revenues deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund for the calculation requirements of ss. 206.46(3) and 206.606(2). This subsection expires July 1, 2004.

Section 48. <u>In order to implement Specific Appropriation</u>

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1, 2003, transfers shall occur as described in legislation that

becomes law reorganizing the Office of the Auditor General and



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Accountability into the Office of Government Accountability. If
such legislation does not become law, all powers, duties,
functions, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances
of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Office of
Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability are
transferred by a type two transfer, as defined in s. 20.06,
Florida Statutes, to the Office of the Auditor General.
Consistent with the provisions of s. 11.45(4)(a), Florida
Statutes, and notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
contrary, the Auditor General shall, within the funding
provided, determine which duties and responsibilities assigned
by law to the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government
Accountability shall be provided during the 2003-2004 fiscal
year. This section expires July 1, 2004.
Section 49. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2545 of the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act, effective July
1, 2003, all powers, duties, functions, records, personnel,
property, and unexpended balances of appropriations,
allocations, and other funds of the Council for Education Policy
Research and Improvement are transferred by a type two transfer,
as defined in s. 20.06, Florida Statutes, to the Office of the
Auditor General. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 1008.51,
Florida Statutes, all powers, duties, funding, and functions of
the Council for Education Policy Research and Improvement are
suspended for the 2003-2004 fiscal year. The Auditor General
may, within the funding provided, provide policy research and
analysis of education issues. This section expires July 1, 2004.
Section 50. A section of this act that implements a
specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso



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HB 0023A 2003 language in the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act is void if the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language is vetoed. A section of this act that implements more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of specifically identified proviso language in the 2003-2004 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso language are vetoed. Section 51. If any other act passed in 2003 contains a provision that is substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the provision in the other act shall take precedence and shall continue to operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act. Section 52. The agency performance measures and standards in the document entitled "Florida's Budget 2003 Agency Performance Measures and Standards Approved by the Legislature for Fiscal Year 2003-04" dated March 24, 2003, and filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives are incorporated by reference. Such performance measures and standards are directly linked to the appropriations made in the General Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2003-2004, as required by the Government Performance and Accountability Act of 1994. State agencies are directed to revise their long-range program plans required under s. 216.013, Florida Statutes, to be consistent with these performance measures and standards. Section 53. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the

invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of



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the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision
or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are
declared severable.

Section 54. If any law amended by this act was also amended by a law enacted at the 2003 Regular Session of the Legislature, such laws shall be construed as if they had been enacted at the same session of the Legislature, and full effect shall be given to each if possible.

Section 55. Except as otherwise provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2003; or, in the event this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2003.