SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

		Prepare	d By: Education	n Appropriations (Committee			
BILL:	CS/SB 0378							
SPONSOR:	Senator Alexander							
SUBJECT:	Higher Education/Appropriations of Funds							
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I. Summary:

This bill repeals the annual distribution of \$9 million from the excise taxes on alcoholic beverages to Florida State University for the School of Chiropractic Medicine.

This bill repeals section 561.121 (1) (a) 4., Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

This statute directs that beginning July 1, 2004, \$9 million be distributed annually to Florida State University to support a School of Chiropractic Medicine and provides that the funds may be used for any purpose by the university until the School of Chiropractic Medicine is completely staffed and fully operational. On January 27, 2005, the Board of Governors denied a request by Florida State University to establish a School of Chiropractic Medicine.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill removes the provision which annually distributes \$9 million from the excise taxes on alcoholic beverages to Florida State University.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

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	B.	Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:				
		None.				
	C.	Trust Funds Restrictions:				
		None.				
	D.	Other Constitutional Issues:				
٧.	Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:					
	A.	Tax/Fee Issues:				
		None.				
	B.	Private Sector Impact:				
		None				
	C.	Government Sector Impact:				
		The bill reduces the annual appropriation to Florida State University by \$9 millio	n.			
VI.	Technical Deficiencies:					
	None.					

VII. Related Issues:

None.

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VIII. Summary of Amendments:

None.

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