

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.)

Prepared By: Ways and Means Committee

BILL: CS/SB 378

SPONSOR: Education Appropriations Committee and Senator Alexander

SUBJECT: Higher Education/Florida State University

DATE: March 28, 2005

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Newman</u>	<u>Newman</u>	<u>EA</u>	<u>Fav/CS</u>
2.	<u>Newman</u>	<u>Coburn</u>	<u>WM</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
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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, effective July 1, 2005.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None

C. Government Sector Impact:

The bill eliminates the annual continuing appropriation of \$9 million to Florida State University for the School of Chiropractic Medicine.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Summary of Amendments:

None.

This Senate staff analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's sponsor or the Florida Senate.
