

The Florida Senate  
**HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY**

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SUBJECT: Higher Education  
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### **I. Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1 — 439287** (body with title)

### **II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1** modifies the PECO and carryforward provisions from CS/SB 190:

- Relating to State Board of Education (SBE) and Board of Governors (BOG) Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) and space needs, the amendment:
  - Specifies that the required SBE and BOG prioritized list include the top 2 ranked priorities (rather than 5 in the bill).
  - Includes a modified set of criteria for the points-based prioritized list that the SBE and BOG must use (rather than must consider), and specifies the weighting scale (the bill does not specify a weighting scale).
  - Includes modified criteria for new construction, renovation, or remodeling projects that have received an appropriation which apply to universities and to all colleges (rather than larger colleges with a full-time-equivalent (FTE) enrollment of 15,000 or greater).
  - Requires the SBE and BOG to review space needs calculation methodologies based on current requirements (rather than criteria established in the bill relating to classroom and laboratory space), and to report recommendations to the Legislature by October 31, 2019 (rather than January 15, 2020).
- Relating to Florida College System (FCS) institution carry-forward funds, the amendment requires each spending plan be initially submitted to the local board of trustees (BOT) by September 1, 2020 (rather than September 1, 2019), and requires:
  - Spending plans for smaller FCS institutions be submitted to the SBE (rather than just the local BOT); and
  - Spending plans for larger FCS institutions be initially submitted to the SBE for approval and amendment (rather than just publication) by October 1, 2020 (rather than October 1, 2019).
- Relating to state university carry-forward funds, the amendment requires submission of a spending plan for funds in excess of specified level to be initially submitted to the local BOT by September 1, 2020 (rather than September 1, 2019), and:
  - Requires BOG review, approval, and amendment (rather than publishing) by October 1, 2020 (rather than October 1, 2019).

- Specifies modified authorized expenditures that the spending plan may only include (rather than may include).
- Authorizes the university to spend the minimum carry-forward balance for a demonstrated emergency.

The amendment removes all other provisions from CS/SB 190, including the following major components:

- All Bright Futures Scholarship Program provisions.
- All University of South Florida (USF) branch campus designation and related provisions.
- BOG-developed and provided university BOT training.
- Revenue Estimating Conference modifications for PECO; providing revenue estimates with maximum and average levels of bonding.
- BOG-defined data elements and methodology for performance funding and preeminence with university audit of data submitted to BOG; and a BOG direct match of wage data through an agreement with the Department of Economic Opportunity.
- Reverse transfer of FCS institution transfer students to earn an associate in arts degree, and related university notification provisions.
- 2+2 targeted pathways.
- Excess credit hour surcharge modification.
- Florida Pathways to Career Opportunities Grant program.
- Survey standards with space utilization metrics for calculating need; and requirement for college and university survey-recommended projects to be reviewed based on updated space needs calculations by December 1, 2020.
- FCS bonding by nonpublic entities as part of public private partnership to fund dormitory facilities.
- Commissioner-developed budget allocation plan with 3-year assessment of funding needed to complete projects.
- FCS institution notification to the SBE if a carry-forward balance falls below 5 percent or 7 percent, as applicable; and the requirement for the FCS institution chief financial officer to annually certify carry-forward fund amounts.
- Prohibition on an FCS direct-support organization from giving to a political committee, without exception.