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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Stargel) recommended the following:

1 **Senate Amendment to Amendment (424324) (with title**
2 **amendment)**

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4 Between lines 1205 and 1206
5 insert:

6 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section
7 1013.64, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

8 1013.64 Funds for comprehensive educational plant needs;
9 construction cost maximums for school district capital
10 projects.—Allocations from the Public Education Capital Outlay



11 and Debt Service Trust Fund to the various boards for capital
12 outlay projects shall be determined as follows:

13 (6)

14 (b)1. A district school board may not use funds from the
15 following sources: Public Education Capital Outlay and Debt
16 Service Trust Fund; School District and Community College
17 District Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; Classrooms
18 First Program funds provided in s. 1013.68; nonvoted 1.5-mill
19 levy of ad valorem property taxes provided in s. 1011.71(2);
20 Classrooms for Kids Program funds provided in s. 1013.735;
21 District Effort Recognition Program funds provided in s.
22 1013.736; or High Growth District Capital Outlay Assistance
23 Grant Program funds provided in s. 1013.738 to pay for any
24 portion of the cost of any new construction of educational plant
25 space with a total cost per student station, including change
26 orders, which exceeds:

- 27 a. \$17,952 for an elementary school;
- 28 b. \$19,386 for a middle school; or
- 29 c. \$25,181 for a high school,

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31 (January 2006) as adjusted annually to reflect increases or
32 decreases in the Consumer Price Index. The department, in
33 conjunction with the Office of Economic and Demographic
34 Research, shall review and adjust the cost per student station
35 limits to reflect actual construction costs by January 1, 2020,
36 and annually thereafter. The adjusted cost per student station
37 shall be used by the department for computation of the statewide
38 average costs per student station for each instructional level
39 pursuant to paragraph (d). The department shall also collaborate



40 with the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to select
41 an industry-recognized construction index to replace the
42 Consumer Price Index by January 1, 2020, adjusted annually to
43 reflect changes in the construction index.

44 2. School districts shall maintain accurate documentation
45 related to the costs of all new construction of educational
46 plant space reported to the Department of Education pursuant to
47 paragraph (d). The Auditor General shall review the
48 documentation maintained by the school districts and verify
49 compliance with the limits under this paragraph during its
50 scheduled operational audits of the school district.

51 3. Except for educational facilities and sites subject to a
52 lease-purchase agreement entered pursuant to s. 1011.71(2)(e),
53 or funded solely through local impact fees, in addition to the
54 funding sources listed in subparagraph 1., a district school
55 board may not use funds from any sources for new construction of
56 educational plant space with a total cost per student station,
57 including change orders, which equals more than the current
58 adjusted amounts provided in sub-subparagraphs 1.a.-c. However,
59 if a contract has been executed for architectural and design
60 services or for construction management services before July 1,
61 2017, a district school board may use funds from any source for
62 the new construction of educational plant space and such funds
63 are exempt from the total cost per student station requirements.

64 4. A district school board must not use funds from the
65 Public Education Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund or
66 the School District and Community College District Capital
67 Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund for any new construction of
68 an ancillary plant that exceeds 70 percent of the average cost



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69 per square foot of new construction for all schools.

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72 And the title is amended as follows:

73 Delete line 1396

74 and insert:

75 specified amount; amending s. 1013.64, F.S.; providing
76 an exception for educational facilities and sites
77 subject to a lease-purchase agreement or funded solely
78 through local impact fees; amending s. 1003.4282,
79 F.S.;