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Senator Broxson moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

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 the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Section 2. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 5, 6, 84, and 85 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program for the 2024-2025 fiscal year included in the document titled "Public



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12 School Funding: The Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP)
13 Fiscal Year 2024-2025," dated January 26, 2024, and filed with
14 the Secretary of the Senate, are incorporated by reference for
15 the purpose of displaying the calculations used by the
16 Legislature, consistent with the requirements of state law, in
17 making appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program.
18 This section expires July 1, 2025.

19 Section 3. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 83
20 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, notwithstanding the
21 expiration date in section 6 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of
22 Florida, paragraphs (a) and (f) of subsection (4) of section
23 1002.68, Florida Statutes, are reenacted and amended, and
24 subsection (5) and paragraph (e) of subsection (6) of section
25 1002.68, Florida Statutes, are reenacted, to read:

26 1002.68 Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program
27 accountability.—

28 (4) (a) Beginning with the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ program year,
29 the department shall adopt a methodology for calculating each
30 private prekindergarten provider's and public school provider's
31 performance metric, which must be based on a combination of the
32 following:

33 1. Program assessment composite scores under subsection
34 (2), which must be weighted at no less than 50 percent.

35 2. Learning gains operationalized as change-in-ability
36 scores from the initial and final progress monitoring results
37 described in subsection (1).

38 3. Norm-referenced developmental learning outcomes
39 described in subsection (1).

40 (f) The department shall adopt procedures to annually



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41 calculate each private prekindergarten provider's and public
42 school's performance metric, based on the methodology adopted in
43 paragraphs (a) and (b), and assign a designation under paragraph
44 (d). Beginning with the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ program year, each
45 private prekindergarten provider or public school shall be
46 assigned a designation within 45 days after the conclusion of
47 the school-year Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program
48 delivered by all participating private prekindergarten providers
49 or public schools and within 45 days after the conclusion of the
50 summer Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program delivered by
51 all participating private prekindergarten providers or public
52 schools.

53 (5) (a) If a private prekindergarten provider's or public
54 school's performance metric or designation falls below the
55 minimum performance metric or designation, the early learning
56 coalition shall:

57 1. Require the provider or school to submit for approval to
58 the early learning coalition an improvement plan and implement
59 the plan.

60 2. Place the provider or school on probation.

61 3. Require the provider or school to take certain
62 corrective actions, including the use of a curriculum approved
63 by the department under s. 1002.67(2)(c) and a staff development
64 plan approved by the department to strengthen instructional
65 practices in emotional support, classroom organization,
66 instructional support, language development, phonological
67 awareness, alphabet knowledge, and mathematical thinking.

68 (b) A private prekindergarten provider or public school
69 that is placed on probation must continue the corrective actions



70 required under paragraph (a) until the provider or school meets
71 the minimum performance metric or designation adopted by the
72 department. Failure to meet the requirements of subparagraphs
73 (a)1. and 3. shall result in the termination of the provider's
74 or school's contract to deliver the Voluntary Prekindergarten
75 Education Program for a period of at least 2 years but no more
76 than 5 years.

77 (c) If a private prekindergarten provider or public school
78 remains on probation for 2 consecutive years and fails to meet
79 the minimum performance metric or designation, or is not granted
80 a good cause exemption by the department, the department shall
81 require the early learning coalition to revoke the provider's
82 eligibility and the school district to revoke the school's
83 eligibility to deliver the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education
84 Program and receive state funds for the program for a period of
85 at least 2 years but no more than 5 years.

86 (6)

87 (e) A private prekindergarten provider or public school
88 granted a good cause exemption shall continue to implement its
89 improvement plan and continue the corrective actions required
90 under paragraph (5)(a) until the provider or school meets the
91 minimum performance metric.

92 Section 4. The amendments to s. 1002.68(4)(a) and (f),
93 Florida Statutes, made by this act, and the text of s.
94 1002.68(5) and (6)(e), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from
95 chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida, by this act expire July 1,
96 2025, and the text of those subsections or paragraphs, as
97 applicable, shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023,
98 except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by



99 this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the
100 extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions
101 of text which expire pursuant to this section.

102 Section 5. Effective upon becoming a law, and in order to
103 implement Specific Appropriations 5, 6, 84, and 85 of the 2024-
104 2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss.
105 1011.60(6) and 1011.62(4)(a) and (e), Florida Statutes, the
106 taxable value for the Wakulla County School District must be
107 provided by the Department of Revenue by January 1, 2024, to be
108 used for the remaining calculations of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024
109 Florida Education Finance Program and for use in the Prior
110 Period Funding Adjustment Millage calculation. This section
111 expires July 1, 2025.

112 Section 6. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 158
113 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (10) is
114 added to section 1004.6495, Florida Statutes, to read:

115 1004.6495 Florida Postsecondary Comprehensive Transition
116 Program and Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities.-

117 (10) PROGRAM CLASSIFICATION.—No later than August 31, 2024,
118 the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education, in
119 consultation with the center, shall establish a state
120 Classification of Instructional Program code for FPCTPs
121 established pursuant to this section. This subsection expires
122 July 1, 2025.

123 Section 7. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
124 223 and 247 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
125 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
126 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget
127 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection



128 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, at least 3 days
129 before the effective date of the action to increase budget
130 authority to support the implementation of the home and
131 community-based services Medicaid waiver program of the Agency
132 for Persons with Disabilities. This section expires July 1,
133 2025.

134 Section 8. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 209
135 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for
136 Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment,
137 pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional
138 spending authority to implement the Disproportionate Share
139 Hospital Program. The budget amendment must include a proposed
140 distribution model by entity and a listing of entities
141 contributing intergovernmental transfers and certified public
142 expenditures to support the state match required. This section
143 expires July 1, 2025.

144 Section 9. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
145 202 through 229 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
146 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
147 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
148 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
149 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
150 within the Medicaid program appropriation categories to address
151 projected surpluses and deficits within the program and to
152 maximize the use of state trust funds. A single budget amendment
153 shall be submitted in the last quarter of the 2024-2025 fiscal
154 year only. This section expires July 1, 2025.

155 Section 10. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
156 181 through 186 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and



157 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
158 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
159 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
160 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
161 within the Florida Kidcare program appropriation categories, or
162 to increase budget authority in the Children's Medical Services
163 network category, to address projected surpluses and deficits
164 within the program or to maximize the use of state trust funds.
165 A single budget amendment must be submitted by the agency in the
166 last quarter of the 2024-2025 fiscal year only. This section
167 expires July 1, 2025.

168 Section 11. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
169 484 through 488 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
170 subsection (17) of section 381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended
171 to read:

172 381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—

173 (17) Rules adopted pursuant to this section before July 1,
174 2025 ~~2024~~, are not subject to ss. 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541. This
175 subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

176 Section 12. Effective July 1, 2024, upon the expiration and
177 reversion of the amendments made to subsection (1) of section 14
178 of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, pursuant to section 11 of
179 chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida, and in order to implement
180 Specific Appropriations 484 through 488 of the 2024-2025 General
181 Appropriations Act, subsection (1) of section 14 of chapter
182 2017-232, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

183 Section 14. Department of Health; authority to adopt rules;
184 cause of action.—

185 (1) EMERGENCY RULEMAKING.—



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186 (a) The Department of Health and the applicable boards
187 shall adopt emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida
188 Statutes, and this section necessary to implement s. 381.986 ~~ss.~~
189 ~~381.986 and 381.988~~, Florida Statutes. If an emergency rule
190 adopted under this section is held to be unconstitutional or an
191 invalid exercise of delegated legislative authority, and becomes
192 void, the department or the applicable boards may adopt an
193 emergency rule pursuant to this section to replace the rule that
194 has become void. If the emergency rule adopted to replace the
195 void emergency rule is also held to be unconstitutional or an
196 invalid exercise of delegated legislative authority and becomes
197 void, the department and the applicable boards must follow the
198 nonemergency rulemaking procedures of the Administrative
199 Procedures Act to replace the rule that has become void.

200 (b) For emergency rules adopted under this section, the
201 department and the applicable boards need not make the findings
202 required by s. 120.54(4)(a), Florida Statutes. Emergency rules
203 adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and
204 120.541, Florida Statutes. The department and the applicable
205 boards shall meet the procedural requirements in s. 120.54(4)(a)
206 ~~s. 120.54(a)~~, Florida Statutes, if the department or the
207 applicable boards have, before July 1, 2019 ~~the effective date~~
208 ~~of this act~~, held any public workshops or hearings on the
209 subject matter of the emergency rules adopted under this
210 subsection. Challenges to emergency rules adopted under this
211 subsection are subject to the time schedules provided in s.
212 120.56(5), Florida Statutes.

213 (c) Emergency rules adopted under this section are exempt
214 from s. 120.54(4)(c), Florida Statutes, and shall remain in



215 effect until replaced by rules adopted under the nonemergency
216 rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedures Act.
217 Rules adopted under the nonemergency rulemaking procedures of
218 the Administrative Procedures Act to replace emergency rules
219 adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and
220 120.541, Florida Statutes. By July 1, 2025 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the
221 department and the applicable boards shall initiate nonemergency
222 rulemaking pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act to
223 replace all emergency rules adopted under this section by
224 publishing a notice of rule development in the Florida
225 Administrative Register. Except as provided in paragraph (a),
226 after July 1, 2025 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the department and
227 applicable boards may not adopt rules pursuant to the emergency
228 rulemaking procedures provided in this section.

229 Section 13. The amendments to subsection (1) of section 14
230 of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, made by this act expire
231 July 1, 2025, and the text of that subsection shall revert to
232 that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments
233 to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved
234 and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are
235 not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to
236 this section.

237 Section 14. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
238 207, 208, 211, and 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations
239 Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a
240 budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes,
241 requesting additional spending authority to implement the
242 federally approved Directed Payment Program for hospitals
243 statewide providing inpatient and outpatient services to



244 Medicaid managed care enrollees, the Indirect Medical Education
245 (IME) Program, and a nursing workforce expansion and education
246 program for certain institutions participating in a graduate
247 medical education or nursing education program. For institutions
248 participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education
249 program, the budget amendment must identify the educational
250 institutions partnering with the teaching hospital. Institutions
251 participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education
252 program shall provide quarterly reports to the agency detailing
253 the number of nurses participating in the program. This section
254 expires July 1, 2025.

255 Section 15. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
256 208, 211, and 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
257 the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
258 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting
259 additional spending authority to implement the federally
260 approved Directed Payment Program and fee-for-service
261 supplemental payments for cancer hospitals that meet the
262 criteria in 42 U.S.C. s. 1395ww(d)(1)(B)(v). This section
263 expires July 1, 2025.

264 Section 16. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
265 202 through 229 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the
266 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
267 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
268 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to provide spending
269 authority to implement the Low-Income Pool component of the
270 Florida Managed Medical Assistance Demonstration up to the total
271 computable funds authorized by the federal Centers for Medicare
272 and Medicaid Services. The budget amendment must include the



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273 final terms and conditions of the Low-Income Pool, a proposed
274 distribution model by entity, and a listing of entities
275 contributing intergovernmental transfers to support the state
276 match required. In addition, for each entity included in the
277 distribution model, a signed attestation must be provided that
278 includes the charity care cost upon which the Low-Income Pool
279 payment is based and an acknowledgment that should the
280 distribution result in an overpayment based on the Low-Income
281 Pool cost limit audit, the entity is responsible for returning
282 that overpayment to the agency for return to the federal Centers
283 for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This section expires July 1,
284 2025.

285 Section 17. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
286 214 and 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the
287 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
288 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting
289 additional spending authority to implement fee-for-service
290 supplemental payments and a directed payment program for
291 physicians and subordinate licensed health care practitioners
292 employed by or under contract with a Florida medical or dental
293 school, or a public hospital. This section expires July 1, 2025.

294 Section 18. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
295 212, 215, and 227 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
296 the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
297 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting
298 additional spending authority to implement a certified
299 expenditure program for emergency medical transportation
300 services. This section expires July 1, 2025.

301 Section 19. In order to implement Specific Appropriations



302 330, 332, 362, and 363 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations
303 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida
304 Statutes, the Department of Children and Families may submit a
305 budget amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
306 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
307 within the department based on the implementation of the
308 Guardianship Assistance Program, between the specific
309 appropriations for guardianship assistance payments, foster care
310 Level 1 room and board payments, relative caregiver payments,
311 and nonrelative caregiver payments. This section expires July 1,
312 2025.

313 Section 20. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
314 202, 203, 204, 208, 211, 212, 214 through 216, 356, 366, and 474
315 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding
316 ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of
317 Children and Families, Department of Health, and Agency for
318 Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject
319 to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,
320 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority to support
321 refugee programs administered by the federal Office of Refugee
322 Resettlement due to the ongoing instability of federal
323 immigration policy and the resulting inability of the state to
324 reasonably predict, with certainty, the budgetary need of this
325 state with respect to the number of refugees relocated to the
326 state as part of those federal programs. The Department of
327 Children and Families shall submit quarterly reports to the
328 Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate,
329 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the number of
330 refugees entering the state, the nations of origin of such



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331 refugees, and current expenditure projections. This section
332 expires July 1, 2025.

333 Section 21. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
334 287 through 384 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
335 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
336 Department of Children and Families may submit budget
337 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
338 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget
339 authority to support the following federal grant programs: the
340 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Grant Program, the Pandemic
341 Electronic Benefit Transfer, the American Rescue Plan Grant, the
342 State Opioid Response Grant, the Substance Use Prevention and
343 Treatment Block Grant, and the Mental Health Block Grant. This
344 section expires July 1, 2025.

345 Section 22. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
346 460 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
347 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
348 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to
349 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,
350 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the
351 Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
352 (WIC) and the Child Care Food Program if additional federal
353 revenues will be expended in the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This
354 section expires July 1, 2025.

355 Section 23. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
356 470 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
357 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
358 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to
359 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,



360 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the HIV/AIDS
361 Prevention and Treatment Program if additional federal revenues
362 specific to HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment become available
363 in the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2025.

364 Section 24. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
365 479 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
366 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
367 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to
368 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,
369 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the
370 department if additional federal revenues specific to COVID-19
371 relief funds become available in the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This
372 section expires July 1, 2025.

373 Section 25. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
374 519 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
375 notwithstanding s. 216.301, Florida Statutes, and pursuant to s.
376 216.351, Florida Statutes, the balance of any appropriation from
377 the General Revenue Fund for the Pediatric Rare Disease Research
378 Grant Program, which is not disbursed but which is obligated
379 pursuant to contract or committed to be expended by June 30 of
380 the fiscal year in which the funds are appropriated, may be
381 carried forward for up to 5 years after the effective date of
382 the original appropriation. This paragraph expires July 1, 2025.

383 Section 26. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
384 196 through 197E of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

385 (1) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall replace
386 the current Florida Medicaid Management Information System
387 (FMMIS) and fiscal agent operations with a system that is
388 modular, interoperable, and scalable for the Florida Medicaid



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389 program that complies with all applicable federal and state laws
390 and requirements. The agency may not include in the project to
391 replace the current FMMIS and fiscal agent contract:

392 (a) Functionality that duplicates any of the information
393 systems of the other health and human services state agencies;

394 (b) Procurement for agency requirements external to
395 Medicaid programs with the intent to leverage the Medicaid
396 technology infrastructure for other purposes without legislative
397 appropriation or legislative authorization to procure these
398 requirements. The new system, the Florida Health Care Connection
399 (FX) system, must provide better integration with subsystems
400 supporting Florida's Medicaid program; uniformity, consistency,
401 and improved access to data; and compatibility with the Centers
402 for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Medicaid Information
403 Technology Architecture (MITA) as the system matures and expands
404 its functionality; or

405 (c) Any contract executed after July 1, 2022, not including
406 staff augmentation services purchased off the Department of
407 Management Services Information Technology staff augmentation
408 state term contract that are not deliverables based fixed price
409 contracts.

410 (2) For purposes of replacing FMMIS and the current
411 Medicaid fiscal agent, the Agency for Health Care Administration
412 shall:

413 (a) Prioritize procurements for the replacement of the
414 current functions of FMMIS and the responsibilities of the
415 current Medicaid fiscal agent, to minimize the need to extend
416 all or portions of the current fiscal agent contract.

417 (b) Comply with and not exceed the Centers for Medicare and



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418 Medicaid Services funding authorizations for the FX system.
419 (c) Ensure compliance and uniformity with the published
420 MITA framework and guidelines.
421 (d) Ensure that all business requirements and technical
422 specifications have been provided to all affected state agencies
423 for their review and input and approved by the executive
424 steering committee established in paragraph (h).
425 (e) Consult with the Executive Office of the Governor's
426 working group for interagency information technology integration
427 for the development of competitive solicitations that provide
428 for data interoperability and shared information technology
429 services across the state's health and human services agencies.
430 (f) Implement a data governance structure for the project
431 to coordinate data sharing and interoperability across state
432 health care entities.
433 (g) Establish a continuing oversight team for each contract
434 as required in s. 287.057(26). The teams must provide quarterly
435 reports to the executive steering committee summarizing the
436 status of the contract, the pace of deliverables, the quality of
437 deliverables, contractor responsiveness, and contractor
438 performance.
439 (h) Implement a project governance structure that includes
440 an executive steering committee composed of:
441 1. The Secretary of Health Care Administration, or the
442 executive sponsor of the project.
443 2. A representative of the Division of Health Care Finance
444 and Data of the Agency for Health Care Administration, appointed
445 by the Secretary of Health Care Administration.
446 3. Two representatives from the Division of Medicaid



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447 Policy, Quality, and Operations of the Agency for Health Care
448 Administration, appointed by the Secretary of Health Care
449 Administration.

450 4. A representative of the Division of Health Care Policy
451 and Oversight of the Agency for Health Care Administration,
452 appointed by the Secretary of Health Care Administration.

453 5. A representative of the Florida Center for Health
454 Information and Transparency of the Agency for Health Care
455 Administration, appointed by the Secretary of Health Care
456 Administration.

457 6. The chief information officer of the Agency for Health
458 Care Administration, or his or her designee.

459 7. The state chief information officer, or his or her
460 designee.

461 8. Two representatives of the Department of Children and
462 Families, appointed by the Secretary of Children and Families.

463 9. A representative of the Department of Health, appointed
464 by the State Surgeon General.

465 10. A representative of the Agency for Persons with
466 Disabilities, appointed by the director of the Agency for
467 Persons with Disabilities.

468 11. A representative from the Florida Healthy Kids
469 Corporation.

470 12. A representative from the Department of Elderly
471 Affairs, appointed by the Secretary of Elderly Affairs.

472 13. A representative of the Department of Financial
473 Services who has experience with the state's financial
474 processes, including development of the PALM system, appointed
475 by the Chief Financial Officer.



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476 (3) The Secretary of Health Care Administration or the
477 executive sponsor of the project shall serve as chair of the
478 executive steering committee, and the committee shall take
479 action by a vote of at least 10 affirmative votes with the chair
480 voting on the prevailing side. A quorum of the executive
481 steering committee consists of at least 11 members.

482 (4) The executive steering committee has the overall
483 responsibility for ensuring that the project to replace FMMIS
484 and the Medicaid fiscal agent meets its primary business
485 objectives and shall:

486 (a) Identify and recommend to the Executive Office of the
487 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
488 House of Representatives any statutory changes needed to
489 implement the modular replacement to standardize, to the fullest
490 extent possible, the state's health care data and business
491 processes.

492 (b) Review and approve any changes to the project's scope,
493 schedule, and budget which do not conflict with the requirements
494 of subsections (1) and (2).

495 (c) Review and approve any changes to the project's
496 strategic roadmap.

497 (d) Review and approve all task orders and any changes to
498 task orders.

499 (e) Review vendor scorecards, reports, and notifications
500 produced by the continuing oversight teams.

501 (f) Ensure that adequate resources are provided throughout
502 all phases of the project.

503 (g) Approve all major project deliverables.

504 (h) Review and verify that all procurement and contractual



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505 documents associated with the replacement of the current FMMIS
506 and Medicaid fiscal agent align with the scope, schedule, and
507 anticipated budget for the project.

508 (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.

509 Section 27. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
510 215, 216, 270, 282, 342, 495, and 522 of the 2024-2025 General
511 Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration,
512 in consultation with the Department of Health, the Agency for
513 Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Children and
514 Families, and the Department of Corrections, shall competitively
515 procure a contract with a vendor to negotiate, for these
516 agencies, prices for prescribed drugs and biological products
517 excluded from the programs established under s. 381.02035,
518 Florida Statutes, and ineligible under 21 U.S.C. s. 384,
519 including, but not limited to, insulin and epinephrine. The
520 contract may allow the vendor to directly purchase these
521 products for participating agencies when feasible and
522 advantageous. The contracted vendor will be compensated on a
523 contingency basis, paid from a portion of the savings achieved
524 by its price negotiation or purchase of the prescription drugs
525 and products. This section expires July 1, 2025.

526 Section 28. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
527 262, 268, 269, 280, and 281 of the 2024-2025 General
528 Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292,
529 Florida Statutes, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may
530 submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and
531 objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to
532 transfer funding from the Salaries and Benefits appropriation
533 categories to categories used for contractual services in order



534 to support additional staff augmentation resources needed at the
535 Developmental Disability Centers. This section expires July 1,
536 2025.

537 Section 29. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
538 579 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
539 notwithstanding chapter 216, Florida Statutes, the Department of
540 Veterans' Affairs may submit a budget amendment, subject to
541 Legislative Budget Commission approval, requesting the authority
542 to establish positions in excess of the number authorized by the
543 Legislature, increase appropriations from the Operations and
544 Maintenance Trust Fund, or provide necessary salary rate
545 sufficient to provide for essential staff for veterans' nursing
546 homes, if the department projects that additional direct care
547 staff are needed to meet its established staffing ratio. This
548 section expires July 1, 2025.

549 Section 30. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
550 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (1)
551 of section 409.915, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

552 409.915 County contributions to Medicaid.—Although the
553 state is responsible for the full portion of the state share of
554 the matching funds required for the Medicaid program, the state
555 shall charge the counties an annual contribution in order to
556 acquire a certain portion of these funds.

557 (1) (a) As used in this section, the term "state Medicaid
558 expenditures" means those expenditures used as matching funds
559 for the federal Medicaid program.

560 (b) The term does not include funds specially assessed by
561 any local governmental entity and used as the nonfederal share
562 for the hospital directed payment program after July 1, 2021.



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563 This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

564 Section 31. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
565 608 through 719 and 733 through 768 of the 2024-2025 General
566 Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 216.262, Florida
567 Statutes, is amended to read:

568 216.262 Authorized positions.—

569 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter relating
570 to increasing the number of authorized positions, and for the
571 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, if the actual inmate
572 population of the Department of Corrections exceeds the inmate
573 population projections of the December 15 ~~February 13~~, 2023,
574 Criminal Justice Estimating Conference by 1 percent for 2
575 consecutive months or 2 percent for any month, the Executive
576 Office of the Governor, with the approval of the Legislative
577 Budget Commission, shall immediately notify the Criminal Justice
578 Estimating Conference, which shall convene as soon as possible
579 to revise the estimates. The Department of Corrections may then
580 submit a budget amendment requesting the establishment of
581 positions in excess of the number authorized by the Legislature
582 and additional appropriations from unallocated general revenue
583 sufficient to provide for essential staff, fixed capital
584 improvements, and other resources to provide classification,
585 security, food services, health services, and other variable
586 expenses within the institutions to accommodate the estimated
587 increase in the inmate population. All actions taken pursuant to
588 this subsection are subject to review and approval by the
589 Legislative Budget Commission. This subsection expires July 1,
590 2025 ~~2024~~.

591 Section 32. In order to implement Specific Appropriations



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592 3267 through 3334 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
593 subsection (2) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended
594 to read:

595 215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

596 (2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may receive one
597 or more trust fund loans to ensure that the state court system
598 has funds sufficient to meet its appropriations in the 2024-2025
599 ~~2023-2024~~ General Appropriations Act. If the Chief Justice
600 accesses the loan, he or she must notify the Governor and the
601 chairs of the legislative appropriations committees in writing.
602 The loan must come from other funds in the State Treasury which
603 are for the time being or otherwise in excess of the amounts
604 necessary to meet the just requirements of such last-mentioned
605 funds. The Governor shall order the transfer of funds within 5
606 days after the written notification from the Chief Justice. If
607 the Governor does not order the transfer, the Chief Financial
608 Officer shall transfer the requested funds. The loan of funds
609 from which any money is temporarily transferred must be repaid
610 by the end of the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year. This
611 subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

612 Section 33. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
613 1150 through 1161 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

614 (1) The Department of Juvenile Justice is required to
615 review county juvenile detention payments to ensure that
616 counties fulfill their financial responsibilities required in s.
617 985.6865, Florida Statutes. If the Department of Juvenile
618 Justice determines that a county has not met its obligations,
619 the department shall direct the Department of Revenue to deduct
620 the amount owed to the Department of Juvenile Justice from the



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621 funds provided to the county under s. 218.23, Florida Statutes.
622 The Department of Revenue shall transfer the funds withheld to
623 the Shared County/State Juvenile Detention Trust Fund.

624 (2) As an assurance to holders of bonds issued by counties
625 before July 1, 2024, for which distributions made pursuant to s.
626 218.23, Florida Statutes, are pledged, or bonds issued to refund
627 such bonds which mature no later than the bonds they refunded
628 and which result in a reduction of debt service payable in each
629 fiscal year, the amount available for distribution to a county
630 shall remain as provided by law and continue to be subject to
631 any lien or claim on behalf of the bondholders. The Department
632 of Revenue must ensure, based on information provided by an
633 affected county, that any reduction in amounts distributed
634 pursuant to subsection (1) does not reduce the amount of
635 distribution to a county below the amount necessary for the
636 timely payment of principal and interest when due on the bonds
637 and the amount necessary to comply with any covenant under the
638 bond resolution or other documents relating to the issuance of
639 the bonds. If a reduction to a county's monthly distribution
640 must be decreased in order to comply with this section, the
641 Department of Revenue must notify the Department of Juvenile
642 Justice of the amount of the decrease, and the Department of
643 Juvenile Justice must send a bill for payment of such amount to
644 the affected county.

645 (3) This section expires July 1, 2025.

646 Section 34. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
647 779 through 801, 950 through 1093, and 1114 through 1149 of the
648 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the
649 expiration date in section 32 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of



650 Florida, subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (2),
651 paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsections (5), (6), and
652 (7) of section 27.40, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

653 27.40 Court-appointed counsel; circuit registries; minimum
654 requirements; appointment by court.—

655 (1) Counsel shall be appointed to represent any individual
656 in a criminal or civil proceeding entitled to court-appointed
657 counsel under the Federal or State Constitution or as authorized
658 by general law. The court shall appoint a public defender to
659 represent indigent persons as authorized in s. 27.51. The office
660 of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall be
661 appointed to represent persons in those cases in which provision
662 is made for court-appointed counsel, but only after the public
663 defender has certified to the court in writing that the public
664 defender is unable to provide representation due to a conflict
665 of interest or is not authorized to provide representation. The
666 public defender shall report, in the aggregate, the specific
667 basis of all conflicts of interest certified to the court. On a
668 quarterly basis, the public defender shall submit this
669 information to the Justice Administrative Commission.

670 (2) (a) Private counsel shall be appointed to represent
671 persons in those cases in which provision is made for court-
672 appointed counsel but only after the office of criminal conflict
673 and civil regional counsel has been appointed and has certified
674 to the court in writing that the criminal conflict and civil
675 regional counsel is unable to provide representation due to a
676 conflict of interest. The criminal conflict and civil regional
677 counsel shall report, in the aggregate, the specific basis of
678 all conflicts of interest certified to the court. On a quarterly



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679 basis, the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall
680 submit this information to the Justice Administrative
681 Commission.

682 (3) In using a registry:

683 (a) The chief judge of the circuit shall compile a list of
684 attorneys in private practice, by county and by category of
685 cases, and provide the list to the clerk of court in each
686 county. The chief judge of the circuit may restrict the number
687 of attorneys on the general registry list. To be included on a
688 registry, an attorney must certify that he or she:

689 1. Meets any minimum requirements established by the chief
690 judge and by general law for court appointment;

691 2. Is available to represent indigent defendants in cases
692 requiring court appointment of private counsel; and

693 3. Is willing to abide by the terms of the contract for
694 services, s. 27.5304, and this section.

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696 To be included on a registry, an attorney must enter into a
697 contract for services with the Justice Administrative
698 Commission. Failure to comply with the terms of the contract for
699 services may result in termination of the contract and removal
700 from the registry. Each attorney on the registry is responsible
701 for notifying the clerk of the court and the Justice
702 Administrative Commission of any change in his or her status.
703 Failure to comply with this requirement is cause for termination
704 of the contract for services and removal from the registry until
705 the requirement is fulfilled.

706 (5) The Justice Administrative Commission shall approve
707 uniform contract forms for use in procuring the services of



708 private court-appointed counsel and uniform procedures and forms
709 for use by a court-appointed attorney in support of billing for
710 attorney's fees, costs, and related expenses to demonstrate the
711 attorney's completion of specified duties. Such uniform
712 contracts and forms for use in billing must be consistent with
713 s. 27.5304, s. 216.311, and the General Appropriations Act and
714 must contain the following statement: "The State of Florida's
715 performance and obligation to pay under this contract is
716 contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature."

717 (6) After court appointment, the attorney must immediately
718 file a notice of appearance with the court indicating acceptance
719 of the appointment to represent the defendant and of the terms
720 of the uniform contract as specified in subsection (5).

721 (7) (a) A private attorney appointed by the court from the
722 registry to represent a client is entitled to payment as
723 provided in s. 27.5304 so long as the requirements of subsection
724 (1) and paragraph (2) (a) are met. An attorney appointed by the
725 court who is not on the registry list may be compensated under
726 s. 27.5304 only if the court finds in the order of appointment
727 that there were no registry attorneys available for
728 representation for that case and only if the requirements of
729 subsection (1) and paragraph (2) (a) are met.

730 (b)1. The flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the
731 General Appropriations Act shall be presumed by the court to be
732 sufficient compensation. The attorney shall maintain appropriate
733 documentation, including contemporaneous and detailed hourly
734 accounting of time spent representing the client. If the
735 attorney fails to maintain such contemporaneous and detailed
736 hourly records, the attorney waives the right to seek



737 compensation in excess of the flat fee established in s. 27.5304
738 and the General Appropriations Act. These records and documents
739 are subject to review by the Justice Administrative Commission
740 and audit by the Auditor General, subject to the attorney-client
741 privilege and work-product privilege. The attorney shall
742 maintain the records and documents in a manner that enables the
743 attorney to redact any information subject to a privilege in
744 order to facilitate the commission's review of the records and
745 documents and not to impede such review. The attorney may redact
746 information from the records and documents only to the extent
747 necessary to comply with the privilege. The Justice
748 Administrative Commission shall review such records and shall
749 contemporaneously document such review before authorizing
750 payment to an attorney. Objections by or on behalf of the
751 Justice Administrative Commission to records or documents or to
752 claims for payment by the attorney shall be presumed correct by
753 the court unless the court determines, in writing, that
754 competent and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming
755 the presumption.

756 2. If an attorney fails, refuses, or declines to permit the
757 commission or the Auditor General to review documentation for a
758 case as provided in this paragraph, the attorney waives the
759 right to seek, and the commission may not pay, compensation in
760 excess of the flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the General
761 Appropriations Act for that case.

762 3. A finding by the commission that an attorney has waived
763 the right to seek compensation in excess of the flat fee
764 established in s. 27.5304 and the General Appropriations Act, as
765 provided in this paragraph, shall be presumed to be correct,



766 unless the court determines, in writing, that competent and
767 substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the
768 presumption.

769 Section 35. The text of s. 27.40(1), (2)(a), (3)(a), (5),
770 (6), and (7), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter
771 2019-116, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2025,
772 and the text of those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable,
773 shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that
774 any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall
775 be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such
776 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which
777 expire pursuant to this section.

778 Section 36. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
779 779 through 801, 950 through 1093, and 1114 through 1149 of the
780 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the
781 expiration date in section 34 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of
782 Florida, subsection (13) of section 27.5304, Florida Statutes,
783 is reenacted and amended, and subsections (1), (3), (6), (7),
784 and (11) and paragraphs (a) through (e) of subsection (12) of
785 that section are reenacted, to read:

786 27.5304 Private court-appointed counsel; compensation;
787 notice.—

788 (1) Private court-appointed counsel appointed in the manner
789 prescribed in s. 27.40(1) and (2)(a) shall be compensated by the
790 Justice Administrative Commission only as provided in this
791 section and the General Appropriations Act. The flat fees
792 prescribed in this section are limitations on compensation. The
793 specific flat fee amounts for compensation shall be established
794 annually in the General Appropriations Act. The attorney also



795 shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses in
796 accordance with s. 29.007. If the attorney is representing a
797 defendant charged with more than one offense in the same case,
798 the attorney shall be compensated at the rate provided for the
799 most serious offense for which he or she represented the
800 defendant. This section does not allow stacking of the fee
801 limits established by this section.

802 (3) The court retains primary authority and responsibility
803 for determining the reasonableness of all billings for attorney
804 fees, costs, and related expenses, subject to statutory
805 limitations and the requirements of s. 27.40(7). Private court-
806 appointed counsel is entitled to compensation upon final
807 disposition of a case.

808 (6) For compensation for representation pursuant to a court
809 appointment in a proceeding under chapter 39:

810 (a) At the trial level, compensation for representation for
811 dependency proceedings shall not exceed \$1,450 for the first
812 year following the date of appointment and shall not exceed \$700
813 each year thereafter. Compensation shall be paid based upon
814 representation of a parent irrespective of the number of case
815 numbers that may be assigned or the number of children involved,
816 including any children born during the pendency of the
817 proceeding. Any appeal, except for an appeal from an
818 adjudication of dependency, shall be completed by the trial
819 attorney and is considered compensated by the flat fee for
820 dependency proceedings.

821 1. Counsel may bill the flat fee not exceeding \$1,450
822 following disposition or upon dismissal of the petition.

823 2. Counsel may bill the annual flat fee not exceeding \$700



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824 following the first judicial review in the second year following
825 the date of appointment and each year thereafter as long as the
826 case remains under protective supervision.

827 3. If the court grants a motion to reactivate protective
828 supervision, the attorney shall receive the annual flat fee not
829 exceeding \$700 following the first judicial review and up to an
830 additional \$700 each year thereafter.

831 4. If, during the course of dependency proceedings, a
832 proceeding to terminate parental rights is initiated,
833 compensation shall be as set forth in paragraph (b). If counsel
834 handling the dependency proceeding is not authorized to handle
835 proceedings to terminate parental rights, the counsel must
836 withdraw and new counsel must be appointed.

837 (b) At the trial level, compensation for representation in
838 termination of parental rights proceedings shall not exceed
839 \$1,800 for the first year following the date of appointment and
840 shall not exceed \$700 each year thereafter. Compensation shall
841 be paid based upon representation of a parent irrespective of
842 the number of case numbers that may be assigned or the number of
843 children involved, including any children born during the
844 pendency of the proceeding. Any appeal, except for an appeal
845 from an order granting or denying termination of parental
846 rights, shall be completed by trial counsel and is considered
847 compensated by the flat fee for termination of parental rights
848 proceedings. If the individual has dependency proceedings
849 ongoing as to other children, those proceedings are considered
850 part of the termination of parental rights proceedings as long
851 as that termination of parental rights proceeding is ongoing.

852 1. Counsel may bill the flat fee not exceeding \$1,800 30



853 days after rendition of the final order. Each request for
854 payment submitted to the Justice Administrative Commission must
855 include the trial counsel's certification that:

856 a. Counsel discussed grounds for appeal with the parent or
857 that counsel attempted and was unable to contact the parent; and

858 b. No appeal will be filed or that a notice of appeal and a
859 motion for appointment of appellate counsel, containing the
860 signature of the parent, have been filed.

861 2. Counsel may bill the annual flat fee not exceeding \$700
862 following the first judicial review in the second year after the
863 date of appointment and each year thereafter as long as the
864 termination of parental rights proceedings are still ongoing.

865 (c) For appeals from an adjudication of dependency,
866 compensation may not exceed \$1,800.

867 1. Counsel may bill a flat fee not exceeding \$1,200 upon
868 filing the initial brief or the granting of a motion to
869 withdraw.

870 2. If a brief is filed, counsel may bill an additional flat
871 fee not exceeding \$600 upon rendition of the mandate.

872 (d) For an appeal from an adjudication of termination of
873 parental rights, compensation may not exceed \$3,500.

874 1. Counsel may bill a flat fee not exceeding \$1,750 upon
875 filing the initial brief or the granting of a motion to
876 withdraw.

877 2. If a brief is filed, counsel may bill an additional flat
878 fee not exceeding \$1,750 upon rendition of the mandate.

879 (7) Counsel eligible to receive compensation from the state
880 for representation pursuant to court appointment made in
881 accordance with the requirements of s. 27.40(1) and (2)(a) in a



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882 proceeding under chapter 384, chapter 390, chapter 392, chapter
883 393, chapter 394, chapter 397, chapter 415, chapter 743, chapter
884 744, or chapter 984 shall receive compensation not to exceed the
885 limits prescribed in the General Appropriations Act. Any such
886 compensation must be determined as provided in s. 27.40(7).

887 (11) It is the intent of the Legislature that the flat fees
888 prescribed under this section and the General Appropriations Act
889 comprise the full and complete compensation for private court-
890 appointed counsel. It is further the intent of the Legislature
891 that the fees in this section are prescribed for the purpose of
892 providing counsel with notice of the limit on the amount of
893 compensation for representation in particular proceedings and
894 the sole procedure and requirements for obtaining payment for
895 the same.

896 (a) If court-appointed counsel moves to withdraw prior to
897 the full performance of his or her duties through the completion
898 of the case, the court shall presume that the attorney is not
899 entitled to the payment of the full flat fee established under
900 this section and the General Appropriations Act.

901 (b) If court-appointed counsel is allowed to withdraw from
902 representation prior to the full performance of his or her
903 duties through the completion of the case and the court appoints
904 a subsequent attorney, the total compensation for the initial
905 and any and all subsequent attorneys may not exceed the flat fee
906 established under this section and the General Appropriations
907 Act, except as provided in subsection (12).

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909 This subsection constitutes notice to any subsequently appointed
910 attorney that he or she will not be compensated the full flat



911 fee.

912 (12) The Legislature recognizes that on rare occasions an
913 attorney may receive a case that requires extraordinary and
914 unusual effort.

915 (a) If counsel seeks compensation that exceeds the limits
916 prescribed by law, he or she must file a motion with the chief
917 judge for an order approving payment of attorney fees in excess
918 of these limits.

919 1. Before filing the motion, the counsel shall deliver a
920 copy of the intended billing, together with supporting
921 affidavits and all other necessary documentation, to the Justice
922 Administrative Commission.

923 2. The Justice Administrative Commission shall review the
924 billings, affidavit, and documentation for completeness and
925 compliance with contractual and statutory requirements and shall
926 contemporaneously document such review before authorizing
927 payment to an attorney. If the Justice Administrative Commission
928 objects to any portion of the proposed billing, the objection
929 and supporting reasons must be communicated in writing to the
930 private court-appointed counsel. The counsel may thereafter file
931 his or her motion, which must specify whether the commission
932 objects to any portion of the billing or the sufficiency of
933 documentation, and shall attach the commission's letter stating
934 its objection.

935 (b) Following receipt of the motion to exceed the fee
936 limits, the chief judge or a single designee shall hold an
937 evidentiary hearing. The chief judge may select only one judge
938 per circuit to hear and determine motions pursuant to this
939 subsection, except multicounty circuits and the eleventh circuit



940 may have up to two designees.

941 1. At the hearing, the attorney seeking compensation must
942 prove by competent and substantial evidence that the case
943 required extraordinary and unusual efforts. The chief judge or
944 single designee shall consider criteria such as the number of
945 witnesses, the complexity of the factual and legal issues, and
946 the length of trial. The fact that a trial was conducted in a
947 case does not, by itself, constitute competent substantial
948 evidence of an extraordinary and unusual effort. In a criminal
949 case, relief under this section may not be granted if the number
950 of work hours does not exceed 75 or the number of the state's
951 witnesses deposed does not exceed 20.

952 2. Objections by or on behalf of the Justice Administrative
953 Commission to records or documents or to claims for payment by
954 the attorney shall be presumed correct by the court unless the
955 court determines, in writing, that competent and substantial
956 evidence exists to justify overcoming the presumption. The chief
957 judge or single designee shall enter a written order detailing
958 his or her findings and identifying the extraordinary nature of
959 the time and efforts of the attorney in the case which warrant
960 exceeding the flat fee established by this section and the
961 General Appropriations Act.

962 (c) A copy of the motion and attachments shall be served on
963 the Justice Administrative Commission at least 20 business days
964 before the date of a hearing. The Justice Administrative
965 Commission has standing to appear before the court, and may
966 appear in person or telephonically, including at the hearing
967 under paragraph (b), to contest any motion for an order
968 approving payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses



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969 and may participate in a hearing on the motion by use of
970 telephonic or other communication equipment. The Justice
971 Administrative Commission may contract with other public or
972 private entities or individuals to appear before the court for
973 the purpose of contesting any motion for an order approving
974 payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses. The fact
975 that the Justice Administrative Commission has not objected to
976 any portion of the billing or to the sufficiency of the
977 documentation is not binding on the court.

978 (d) If the chief judge or a single designee finds that
979 counsel has proved by competent and substantial evidence that
980 the case required extraordinary and unusual efforts, the chief
981 judge or single designee shall order the compensation to be paid
982 to the attorney at a percentage above the flat fee rate,
983 depending on the extent of the unusual and extraordinary effort
984 required. The percentage must be only the rate necessary to
985 ensure that the fees paid are not confiscatory under common law.
986 The percentage may not exceed 200 percent of the established
987 flat fee, absent a specific finding that 200 percent of the flat
988 fee in the case would be confiscatory. If the chief judge or
989 single designee determines that 200 percent of the flat fee
990 would be confiscatory, he or she shall order the amount of
991 compensation using an hourly rate not to exceed \$75 per hour for
992 a noncapital case and \$100 per hour for a capital case. However,
993 the compensation calculated by using the hourly rate shall be
994 only that amount necessary to ensure that the total fees paid
995 are not confiscatory, subject to the requirements of s.
996 27.40(7).

997 (e) Any order granting relief under this subsection must be



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998 attached to the final request for a payment submitted to the
999 Justice Administrative Commission and must satisfy the
1000 requirements of subparagraph (b)2.

1001 (13) Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in subsection
1002 (5) and for the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, the
1003 compensation for representation in a criminal proceeding may not
1004 exceed the following:

1005 (a) For misdemeanors and juveniles represented at the trial
1006 level: \$1,000.

1007 (b) For noncapital, nonlife felonies represented at the
1008 trial level: \$15,000.

1009 (c) For life felonies represented at the trial level:
1010 \$15,000.

1011 (d) For capital cases represented at the trial level:
1012 \$25,000. For purposes of this paragraph, a "capital case" is any
1013 offense for which the potential sentence is death and the state
1014 has not waived seeking the death penalty.

1015 (e) For representation on appeal: \$9,000.

1016 (f) This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1017 Section 37. The text of s. 27.5304(1), (3), (7), (11), and
1018 (12)(a)-(e), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter
1019 2019-116, Laws of Florida, and the text of s. 27.5304(6),
1020 Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2023-240, Laws
1021 of Florida, by this act expire July 1, 2025, and the text of
1022 those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable, shall revert to
1023 that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments
1024 to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved
1025 and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are
1026 not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to



1027 this section.

1028 Section 38. In order to implement section 119 of the 2024-
1029 2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (f) of subsection (7)
1030 of section 934.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1031 934.50 Searches and seizure using a drone.-

1032 (7) SECURITY STANDARDS FOR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY DRONE USE.-

1033 (f) Notwithstanding this subsection:

1034 1. Subject to appropriation, the drone replacement grant
1035 program is created within the Department of Law Enforcement. The
1036 program shall provide funds to law enforcement agencies, fire
1037 service providers, ambulance crews, or other first responders
1038 that turn in drones that are not in compliance with this
1039 section. To be eligible, the drone must have not reached its end
1040 of life and must still be in working condition. Funds shall be
1041 provided per drone based upon the drone's replacement costs
1042 ~~current value~~. Grant funds may only be used to purchase drones
1043 that are in compliance with this section. The Department of Law
1044 Enforcement shall expeditiously develop an application process,
1045 and funds shall be allocated on a first-come, first-served
1046 basis, determined by the date the department receives the
1047 application. The department may adopt rules to implement this
1048 program. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "law
1049 enforcement agency" has the same meaning as in this section.

1050 2. The Department of Law Enforcement shall provide drones
1051 received through the drone grant replacement program to the
1052 Florida Center for Cybersecurity within the University of South
1053 Florida. The Florida Center for Cybersecurity shall analyze
1054 whether the drones present cybersecurity concerns and shall
1055 provide its findings or recommendations to the Department of



1056 Management Services regarding the drones' safety or security.

1057 3. The Department of Law Enforcement is authorized, and all
1058 conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules under s.
1059 120.54(4) for the purpose of implementing the drone replacement
1060 grant program. Notwithstanding any other law, emergency rules
1061 adopted under this section are effective for 12 months after
1062 adoption and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to
1063 adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency
1064 rules.

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1066 This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1067 Section 39. In order to implement appropriations used to
1068 pay existing lease contracts for private lease space in excess
1069 of 2,000 square feet in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations
1070 Act, the Department of Management Services, with the cooperation
1071 of the agencies having the existing lease contracts for office
1072 or storage space, shall use tenant broker services to
1073 renegotiate or reprocure all private lease agreements for office
1074 or storage space expiring between July 1, 2025, and June 30,
1075 2027, in order to reduce costs in future years. The department
1076 shall incorporate this initiative into its 2024 master leasing
1077 report required under s. 255.249(7), Florida Statutes, and may
1078 use tenant broker services to explore the possibilities of
1079 collocating office or storage space, to review the space needs
1080 of each agency, and to review the length and terms of potential
1081 renewals or renegotiations. The department shall provide a
1082 report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of
1083 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
1084 November 1, 2024, which lists each lease contract for private



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1085 office or storage space, the status of renegotiations, and the
1086 savings achieved. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1087 Section 40. In order to implement appropriations authorized
1088 in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for data center
1089 services, and notwithstanding s. 216.292(2)(a), Florida
1090 Statutes, an agency may not transfer funds from a data
1091 processing category to a category other than another data
1092 processing category. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1093 Section 41. In order to implement the appropriation of
1094 funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Risk
1095 Management Insurance" in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations
1096 Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection
1097 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office
1098 of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in that category
1099 between departments in order to align the budget authority
1100 granted with the premiums paid by each department for risk
1101 management insurance. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1102 Section 42. In order to implement the appropriation of
1103 funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Transfer
1104 to Department of Management Services-Human Resources Services
1105 Purchased per Statewide Contract" in the 2024-2025 General
1106 Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and
1107 objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the
1108 Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated
1109 in that category between departments in order to align the
1110 budget authority granted with the assessments that must be paid
1111 by each agency to the Department of Management Services for
1112 human resource management services. This section expires July 1,
1113 2025.



1114 Section 43. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1115 2880 in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act in the Building
1116 Relocation appropriation category from the Architects Incidental
1117 Trust Fund of the Department of Management Services, and in
1118 accordance with s. 215.196, Florida Statutes:

1119 (1) Upon the final disposition of a state-owned building,
1120 the Department of Management Services may use up to 5 percent of
1121 facility disposition funds from the Architects Incidental Trust
1122 Fund to defer, offset, or otherwise pay for all or a portion of
1123 relocation expenses including furniture, fixtures, and equipment
1124 for state agencies impacted by the disposition of the
1125 department's managed facilities in the Florida Facilities Pool.
1126 The extent of the financial assistance provided to impacted
1127 state agencies shall be determined by the department.

1128 (2) The Department of Management Services may submit budget
1129 amendments for an increase in appropriation if necessary for the
1130 implementation of this section pursuant to the provisions of
1131 chapter 216, Florida Statutes. Budget amendments for an increase
1132 in appropriation shall include a detailed plan providing all
1133 estimated costs and relocation proposals.

1134 (3) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1135 Section 44. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1136 2875 through 2880 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act
1137 from the Architects Incidental Trust Fund of the Department of
1138 Management Services, notwithstanding s. 253.025(4), Florida
1139 Statutes, and in accordance with s. 215.196, Florida Statutes,
1140 the Department of Management Services may acquire additional
1141 state-owned office buildings as defined in s. 255.248, Florida
1142 Statutes, or property for inclusion in the Florida Facilities



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1143 Pool as created in s. 255.505, Florida Statutes. This section
1144 expires July 1, 2025.

1145 Section 45. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1146 2456 through 2462 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

1147 (1) The Department of Financial Services shall replace the
1148 four main components of the Florida Accounting Information
1149 Resource Subsystem (FLAIR), which include central FLAIR,
1150 departmental FLAIR, payroll, and information warehouse, and
1151 shall replace the cash management and accounting management
1152 components of the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS) with an
1153 integrated enterprise system that allows the state to organize,
1154 define, and standardize its financial management business
1155 processes and that complies with ss. 215.90-215.96, Florida
1156 Statutes. The department may not include in the replacement of
1157 FLAIR and CMS:

1158 (a) Functionality that duplicates any of the other
1159 information subsystems of the Florida Financial Management
1160 Information System; or

1161 (b) Agency business processes related to any of the
1162 functions included in the Personnel Information System, the
1163 Purchasing Subsystem, or the Legislative Appropriations
1164 System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem.

1165 (2) For purposes of replacing FLAIR and CMS, the Department
1166 of Financial Services shall:

1167 (a) Take into consideration the cost and implementation
1168 data identified for Option 3 as recommended in the March 31,
1169 2014, Florida Department of Financial Services FLAIR Study,
1170 version 031.

1171 (b) Ensure that all business requirements and technical



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1172 specifications have been provided to all state agencies for
1173 their review and input and approved by the executive steering
1174 committee established in paragraph (c), including any updates to
1175 these documents.

1176 (c) Implement a project governance structure that includes
1177 an executive steering committee composed of:

1178 1. The Chief Financial Officer or the executive sponsor of
1179 the project.

1180 2. A representative of the Division of Treasury of the
1181 Department of Financial Services, appointed by the Chief
1182 Financial Officer.

1183 3. The chief information officers of the Department of
1184 Financial Services and the Department of Environmental
1185 Protection.

1186 4. Two employees from the Division of Accounting and
1187 Auditing of the Department of Financial Services, appointed by
1188 the Chief Financial Officer. Each employee must have experience
1189 relating to at least one of the four main components that
1190 comprise FLAIR.

1191 5. Two employees from the Executive Office of the Governor,
1192 appointed by the Governor. One employee must have experience
1193 relating to the Legislative Appropriations System/Planning and
1194 Budgeting Subsystem.

1195 6. One employee from the Department of Revenue, appointed
1196 by the executive director, who has experience using or
1197 maintaining the department's finance and accounting systems.

1198 7. Two employees from the Department of Management
1199 Services, appointed by the Secretary of Management Services. One
1200 employee must have experience relating to the department's



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1201 personnel information subsystem, and one employee must have
1202 experience relating to the department's purchasing subsystem.

1203 8. A state agency administrative services director,
1204 appointed by the Governor.

1205 9. The executive sponsor of the Florida Health Care
1206 Connection (FX) System or his or her designee, appointed by the
1207 Secretary of Health Care Administration.

1208 10. The state chief information officer, or his or her
1209 designee, as a nonvoting member. The state chief information
1210 officer, or his or her designee, shall provide monthly status
1211 reports to the executive steering committee pursuant to the
1212 oversight responsibilities in s. 282.0051, Florida Statutes.

1213 11. One employee from the Department of Business and
1214 Professional Regulation who has experience in finance and
1215 accounting and FLAIR, appointed by the Secretary of Business and
1216 Professional Regulation.

1217 12. One employee from the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1218 Commission who has experience using or maintaining the
1219 commission's finance and accounting systems, appointed by the
1220 chair of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

1221 13. The budget director of the Department of Education, or
1222 his or her designee.

1223 (3) (a) The Chief Financial Officer or the executive sponsor
1224 of the project shall serve as chair of the executive steering
1225 committee, and the committee shall take action by a vote of at
1226 least eight affirmative votes with the Chief Financial Officer
1227 or the executive sponsor of the project voting on the prevailing
1228 side. A quorum of the executive steering committee consists of
1229 at least 10 members.



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1230 (b) No later than 14 days before a meeting of the executive
1231 steering committee, the chair shall request input from committee
1232 members on agenda items for the next scheduled meeting.

1233 (c) The chair shall establish a working group consisting of
1234 FLAIR users, state agency technical staff who maintain
1235 applications that integrate with FLAIR, and no less than four
1236 state agency finance and accounting or budget directors. The
1237 working group shall meet at least monthly to review PALM
1238 functionality, assess project impacts to state financial
1239 business processes and agency staff, and develop recommendations
1240 to the executive steering committee for improvements. The chair
1241 shall request input from the working group on agenda items for
1242 each scheduled meeting. The PALM project team shall dedicate a
1243 staff member to the group and provide system demonstrations and
1244 any project documentation, as needed, for the group to fulfill
1245 its duties.

1246 (d) The chair shall request all agency project sponsors to
1247 provide bimonthly status reports to the executive steering
1248 committee. The form and format of the bimonthly status reports
1249 shall be developed by the Florida PALM project and provided to
1250 the executive steering committee meeting for approval. Such
1251 agency status reports shall provide information to the executive
1252 steering committee on the activities and ongoing work within the
1253 agency to prepare their systems and impacted employees for the
1254 deployment of the Florida PALM System. The first bimonthly
1255 status report is due September 1, 2024, and bimonthly
1256 thereafter.

1257 (4) The executive steering committee has the overall
1258 responsibility for ensuring that the project to replace FLAIR



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1259 and CMS meets its primary business objectives and shall:
1260 (a) Identify and recommend to the Executive Office of the
1261 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
1262 House of Representatives any statutory changes needed to
1263 implement the replacement subsystem that will standardize, to
1264 the fullest extent possible, the state's financial management
1265 business processes.
1266 (b) Review and approve any changes to the project's scope,
1267 schedule, and budget which do not conflict with the requirements
1268 of subsection (1).
1269 (c) Ensure that adequate resources are provided throughout
1270 all phases of the project.
1271 (d) Approve all major project deliverables and any cost
1272 changes to each deliverable over \$250,000.
1273 (e) Approve contract amendments and changes to all
1274 contract-related documents associated with the replacement of
1275 FLAIR and CMS.
1276 (f) Review, and approve as warranted, the format of the
1277 bimonthly agency status reports to include meaningful
1278 information on each agency's progress in planning for the
1279 Florida PALM Major Implementation, covering the agency's people,
1280 processes, technology, and data transformation activities.
1281 (g) Ensure compliance with ss. 216.181(16), 216.311,
1282 216.313, 282.318(4)(h), and 287.058, Florida Statutes.
1283 (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.
1284 Section 46. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1285 2991 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
1286 notwithstanding the expiration date in section 43 of chapter
1287 2023-240, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 282.709,



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1288 Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1289 282.709 State agency law enforcement radio system and
1290 interoperability network.—

1291 (3) In recognition of the critical nature of the statewide
1292 law enforcement radio communications system, the Legislature
1293 finds that there is an immediate danger to the public health,
1294 safety, and welfare, and that it is in the best interest of the
1295 state to continue partnering with the system's current operator.
1296 The Legislature finds that continuity of coverage is critical to
1297 supporting law enforcement, first responders, and other public
1298 safety users. The potential for a loss in coverage or a lack of
1299 interoperability between users requires emergency action and is
1300 a serious concern for officers' safety and their ability to
1301 communicate and respond to various disasters and events.

1302 (a) The department, pursuant to s. 287.057(10), shall enter
1303 into a 15-year contract with the entity that was operating the
1304 statewide radio communications system on January 1, 2021. The
1305 contract must include:

- 1306 1. The purchase of radios;
- 1307 2. The upgrade to the Project 25 communications standard;
- 1308 3. Increased system capacity and enhanced coverage for
1309 system users;
- 1310 4. Operations, maintenance, and support at a fixed annual
1311 rate;
- 1312 5. The conveyance of communications towers to the
1313 department; and
- 1314 6. The assignment of communications tower leases to the
1315 department.

1316 (b) The State Agency Law Enforcement Radio System Trust



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1317 Fund is established in the department and funded from surcharges
1318 collected under ss. 318.18, 320.0802, and 328.72. Upon
1319 appropriation, moneys in the trust fund may be used by the
1320 department to acquire the equipment, software, and engineering,
1321 administrative, and maintenance services it needs to construct,
1322 operate, and maintain the statewide radio system. Moneys in the
1323 trust fund from surcharges shall be used to help fund the costs
1324 of the system. Upon completion of the system, moneys in the
1325 trust fund may also be used by the department for payment of the
1326 recurring maintenance costs of the system.

1327 Section 47. The text of s. 282.709(3), Florida Statutes, as
1328 carried forward from chapter 2021-37, Laws of Florida, by this
1329 act, expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that subsection shall
1330 revert to that in existence on June 1, 2021, except that any
1331 amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be
1332 preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such
1333 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which
1334 expire pursuant to this section.

1335 Section 48. In order to implement appropriations relating
1336 to the purchase of equipment and services related to the
1337 Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS) as authorized in
1338 the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s.
1339 287.057, Florida Statutes, state agencies and other eligible
1340 users of the SLERS network may use the Department of Management
1341 Services SLERS contract for purchase of equipment and services.
1342 This section expires July 1, 2025.

1343 Section 49. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1344 2898 through 2909 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
1345 and notwithstanding rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code,



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1346 the transaction fee as identified in s. 287.057(24)(c), Florida
1347 Statutes, shall be collected for use of the online procurement
1348 system and is 0.7 percent for the 2024-2025 fiscal year only.
1349 This section expires July 1, 2025.

1350 Section 50. Effective upon this act becoming a law, and in
1351 order to implement Specific Appropriations 2448 through 2455 of
1352 the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of
1353 section 717.123, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1354 717.123 Deposit of funds.—

1355 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1), and for the 2023-2024
1356 ~~2022-2023~~ fiscal year, the department shall retain, from funds
1357 received under this chapter, an amount not exceeding \$65 million
1358 from which the department shall make prompt payment of claims
1359 allowed by the department and shall pay the costs incurred by
1360 the department in administering and enforcing this chapter. This
1361 subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1362 Section 51. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1363 3098 through 3130 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
1364 paragraph (g) of subsection (13) of section 120.80, Florida
1365 Statutes, is amended to read:

1366 120.80 Exceptions and special requirements; agencies.—

1367 (13) FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.—

1368 (g)1. Rules adopted by the Florida Public Service
1369 Commission to implement ss. 366.04(8) and (9) and 366.97 are not
1370 subject to s. 120.541.

1371 2. For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, rules adopted
1372 by the Florida Public Service Commission to implement ss.
1373 350.113, 364.336, 366.14, 367.145, and 368.109 are not subject
1374 to s. 120.541. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.



1375 Section 52. In order to implement specific appropriations
1376 from the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of
1377 Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of
1378 Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the Fish
1379 and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which are contained in the
1380 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section
1381 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1382 215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

1383 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and only with respect to
1384 a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture
1385 and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental
1386 Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife
1387 Conservation Commission, whenever there is a deficiency in a
1388 land acquisition trust fund which would render that trust fund
1389 temporarily insufficient to meet its just requirements,
1390 including the timely payment of appropriations from that trust
1391 fund, and other trust funds in the State Treasury have moneys
1392 that are for the time being or otherwise in excess of the
1393 amounts necessary to meet the just requirements, including
1394 appropriated obligations, of those other trust funds, the
1395 Governor may order a temporary transfer of moneys from one or
1396 more of the other trust funds to a land acquisition trust fund
1397 in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the
1398 Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State,
1399 or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Any action
1400 proposed pursuant to this subsection is subject to the notice,
1401 review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, and the Governor
1402 shall provide notice of such action at least 7 days before the
1403 effective date of the transfer of trust funds, except that



1404 during July 2024 ~~2023~~, notice of such action shall be provided
1405 at least 3 days before the effective date of a transfer unless
1406 such 3-day notice is waived by the chair and vice chair of the
1407 Legislative Budget Commission. Any transfer of trust funds to a
1408 land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and
1409 Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection,
1410 the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1411 Commission must be repaid to the trust funds from which the
1412 moneys were loaned by the end of the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal
1413 year. The Legislature has determined that the repayment of the
1414 other trust fund moneys temporarily loaned to a land acquisition
1415 trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
1416 Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the
1417 Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1418 Commission pursuant to this subsection is an allowable use of
1419 the moneys in a land acquisition trust fund because the moneys
1420 from other trust funds temporarily loaned to a land acquisition
1421 trust fund shall be expended solely and exclusively in
1422 accordance with s. 28, Art. X of the State Constitution. This
1423 subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1424 Section 53. (1) In order to implement specific
1425 appropriations from the land acquisition trust funds within the
1426 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department
1427 of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the
1428 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which are contained
1429 in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Department of
1430 Environmental Protection shall transfer revenues from the Land
1431 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department to the land
1432 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and



1433 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1434 Wildlife Conservation Commission as provided in this section. As
1435 used in this section, the term "department" means the Department
1436 of Environmental Protection.

1437 (2) After subtracting any required debt service payments,
1438 the proportionate share of revenues to be transferred to each
1439 land acquisition trust fund shall be calculated by dividing the
1440 appropriations from each of the land acquisition trust funds for
1441 the fiscal year by the total appropriations from the Land
1442 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department and the land
1443 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and
1444 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1445 Wildlife Conservation Commission for the fiscal year. The
1446 department shall transfer the proportionate share of the
1447 revenues in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the
1448 department on a monthly basis to the appropriate land
1449 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and
1450 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1451 Wildlife Conservation Commission and shall retain its
1452 proportionate share of the revenues in the Land Acquisition
1453 Trust Fund within the department. Total distributions to a land
1454 acquisition trust fund within the Department of Agriculture and
1455 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1456 Wildlife Conservation Commission may not exceed the total
1457 appropriations from such trust fund for the fiscal year.

1458 (3) In addition, the department shall transfer from the
1459 Land Acquisition Trust Fund to land acquisition trust funds
1460 within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the
1461 Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation



1462 Commission amounts equal to the difference between the amounts
1463 appropriated in chapter 2023-239, Laws of Florida, to the
1464 department's Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the other land
1465 acquisition trust funds, and the amounts actually transferred
1466 between those trust funds during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

1467 (4) The department may advance funds from the beginning
1468 unobligated fund balance in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to
1469 the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife
1470 Conservation Commission needed for cash flow purposes based on a
1471 detailed expenditure plan. The department shall prorate amounts
1472 transferred quarterly to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1473 Commission to recoup the amount of funds advanced by June 30,
1474 2025.

1475 (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1476 Section 54. In order to implement specific appropriations
1477 from the Florida Forever Trust Fund within the Department of
1478 Environmental Protection, which are contained in the 2024-2025
1479 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (m) of subsection (3) of
1480 section 259.105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1481 259.105 The Florida Forever Act.—

1482 (3) Less the costs of issuing and the costs of funding
1483 reserve accounts and other costs associated with bonds, the
1484 proceeds of cash payments or bonds issued pursuant to this
1485 section shall be deposited into the Florida Forever Trust Fund
1486 created by s. 259.1051. The proceeds shall be distributed by the
1487 Department of Environmental Protection in the following manner:

1488 (m) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a)-(j) and for the 2024-
1489 2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, the proceeds shall be distributed as
1490 provided in the General Appropriations Act. This paragraph



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1491 expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1492 Section 55. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1493 1804 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
1494 notwithstanding the expiration date in section 58 of chapter
1495 2023-240, Laws of Florida, paragraph (g) of subsection (15) of
1496 section 376.3071, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1497 376.3071 Inland Protection Trust Fund; creation; purposes;
1498 funding.—

1499 (15) ETHANOL OR BIODIESEL DAMAGE; PREVENTIVE MEASURES.—The
1500 department shall pay, pursuant to this subsection, up to \$10
1501 million each fiscal year from the fund for the costs of labor
1502 and equipment to repair or replace petroleum storage systems
1503 that may have been damaged due to the storage of fuels blended
1504 with ethanol or biodiesel, or for preventive measures to reduce
1505 the potential for such damage.

1506 (g) Payments may not be made for the following:

- 1507 1. Proposal costs or costs related to preparation of the
1508 application and required documentation;
- 1509 2. Certified public accountant costs;
- 1510 3. Except as provided in paragraph (j), any costs in excess
1511 of the amount approved by the department under paragraph (b) or
1512 which are not in substantial compliance with the purchase order;
- 1513 4. Costs associated with storage tanks, piping, or
1514 ancillary equipment that has previously been repaired or
1515 replaced for which costs have been paid under this section;
- 1516 5. Facilities that are not in compliance with department
1517 storage tank rules, until the noncompliance issues have been
1518 resolved; or
- 1519 6. Costs associated with damage to petroleum storage



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1520 systems caused in whole or in part by causes other than the
1521 storage of fuels blended with ethanol or biodiesel.

1522 Section 56. The text of s. 376.3071(15)(g), Florida
1523 Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2020-114, Laws of
1524 Florida, by this act expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that
1525 paragraph shall revert to that in existence on July 1, 2020, but
1526 not including any amendments made by this act or chapter 2020-
1527 114, Laws of Florida, and any amendments to such text enacted
1528 other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to
1529 operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent
1530 upon the portion of text which expires pursuant to this section.

1531 Section 57. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1532 2274A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
1533 notwithstanding chapter 287, Florida Statutes, the Department of
1534 Citrus shall enter into agreements for the purpose of increasing
1535 production of trees that show tolerance or resistance to citrus
1536 greening and to commercialize technologies that produce
1537 tolerance or resistance to citrus greening in trees, and to
1538 advance technologies leading to the creation of a genetically
1539 engineered self-limiting strain of an Asian citrus Psyllid for
1540 population suppression. The department shall enter into these
1541 agreements no later than January 1, 2025, and shall file with
1542 the department's Inspector General a certification of conditions
1543 and circumstances justifying each agreement entered into without
1544 competitive solicitation. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1545 Section 58. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1546 1565A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, section
1547 601.295, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1548 601.295 Citrus Recovery Loan Program.-



1549 (1) The Citrus Recovery Loan Program is created within the
1550 Department of Agriculture to provide a financing tool to
1551 commercial citrus growers for the recovery or reestablishment of
1552 citrus groves.

1553 (2) Loans must be made by application to the department.
1554 The department shall publicly notice an application period.

1555 (a) For applications received during the application
1556 period, at least 60 percent of the appropriated funds must be
1557 made available to growers who, for property tax purposes, have
1558 citrus groves greater than or equal to 5 acres, but less than
1559 2,500 acres.

1560 (b) After the noticed application period, the remaining
1561 funds available must be made available to all commercial citrus
1562 growers.

1563 (3) Loans must be made pursuant to written agreements
1564 specifying the terms and conditions agreed to by the approved
1565 applicant and the department. The loan agreement must specify
1566 that the loan is due upon sale if the property is sold. A loan
1567 is not assumable. An approved applicant must agree to stay in
1568 production for the duration of the loan.

1569 (4) Loans must be interest-free and provided through a
1570 promissory note or other form of written agreement evidencing an
1571 obligation to repay the borrowed funds to the department.

1572 (5) The loans must be made in installments after execution
1573 of a loan agreement. The first installment must be provided for
1574 tree deposits and the ordering of replacement trees. Remaining
1575 installments must be made when the citrus grower takes ownership
1576 of the replacement trees.

1577 (6) The term of the loan must be 120 months, commencing 60



1578 months after the execution of the loan agreement and the first
1579 installment. The loans become due and payable in accordance with
1580 the terms of the agreement, which may be structured with annual
1581 payments between 3 percent and 15 percent of the original
1582 principal. Additionally, loan payments may be made at any time
1583 before the loan is due without penalty.

1584 (7) If loan repayments are made in accordance with the loan
1585 agreement, after 70 percent of the loan is repaid, the remaining
1586 portion is converted to a grant.

1587 (8) The department may waive loan payments if at any time
1588 during the repayment period of a loan, the commercial citrus
1589 grower experiences a significant hardship such as crop loss from
1590 a weather-related event or from impacts from a natural disaster.

1591 (9) The department may adopt rules to implement and
1592 administer this section.

1593 (10) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1594 Section 59. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1595 1740B of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Local
1596 Government Water Supply Grant Program is created within the
1597 Department of Environmental Protection. The Department of
1598 Environmental Protection shall implement the program to provide
1599 funds to local governments for water supply infrastructure,
1600 including distribution and transmission facilities. To be
1601 eligible for the program, a water supply infrastructure project
1602 must be located within the boundaries of the Northwest Florida
1603 Water Management District or the Suwannee River Water Management
1604 District and north of Interstate 10. If a developer is involved
1605 in the project, the Department of Environmental Protection shall
1606 require match funding equal to the amount of the grant request



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1607 from local, federal, or private funds. The Department of
1608 Environmental Protection shall expeditiously develop an
1609 application process and may adopt rules to implement this
1610 program. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1611 Section 60. In order to implement section 135 of the 2024-
1612 2025 General Appropriations Act, section 380.5105, Florida
1613 Statutes, is amended to read:

1614 380.5105 The Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts; Florida
1615 Forever program.—

1616 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it
1617 is the intent of the Legislature that the trust shall administer
1618 the working waterfronts land acquisition program as set forth in
1619 this section.

1620 (a)~~(2)~~ The trust and the Department of Agriculture and
1621 Consumer Services shall jointly develop rules specifically
1622 establishing an application process and a process for the
1623 evaluation, scoring and ranking of working waterfront
1624 ~~acquisition~~ projects. The proposed rules jointly developed
1625 pursuant to this paragraph ~~subsection~~ shall be promulgated by
1626 the trust. Such rules shall establish a system of weighted
1627 criteria to give increased priority to projects:

1628 1.~~(a)~~ Within a municipality with a population less than
1629 30,000;

1630 2.~~(b)~~ Within a municipality or area under intense growth
1631 and development pressures, as evidenced by a number of factors,
1632 including a determination that the municipality's growth rate
1633 exceeds the average growth rate for the state;

1634 3.~~(e)~~ Within the boundary of a community redevelopment
1635 agency established pursuant to s. 163.356;



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1636 4.~~(d)~~ Adjacent to state-owned submerged lands designated as
1637 an aquatic preserve identified in s. 258.39; or

1638 5.~~(e)~~ That provide a demonstrable benefit to the local
1639 economy.

1640 (b)~~(3)~~ For projects that will require more than the grant
1641 amount awarded for completion, the applicant must identify in
1642 their project application funding sources that will provide the
1643 difference between the grant award and the estimated project
1644 completion cost. Such rules may be incorporated into those
1645 developed pursuant to s. 380.507(11).

1646 (c)~~(4)~~ The trust shall develop a ranking list based on
1647 criteria identified in paragraph (a) ~~subsection (2)~~ for proposed
1648 fee simple and less-than-fee simple acquisition projects
1649 developed pursuant to this section. The trust shall, by the
1650 first Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund
1651 meeting in February, present the ranking list pursuant to this
1652 section to the board of trustees for final approval of projects
1653 for funding. The board of trustees may remove projects from the
1654 ranking list but may not add projects.

1655 (d)~~(5)~~ Grant awards, acquisition approvals, and terms of
1656 less-than-fee acquisitions shall be approved by the trust.
1657 Waterfront communities that receive grant awards must submit
1658 annual progress reports to the trust identifying project
1659 activities which are complete, and the progress achieved in
1660 meeting the goals outlined in the project application. The trust
1661 must implement a process to monitor and evaluate the performance
1662 of grant recipients in completing projects that are funded
1663 through the working waterfronts program.

1664 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it



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1665 is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of
1666 Environmental Protection shall administer the working
1667 waterfronts capital outlay grant program as set forth in this
1668 section to support the commercial fishing industry, including
1669 the infrastructure for receiving or unloading seafood for the
1670 purpose of supporting the seafood economy.

1671 (a) The working waterfronts capital outlay grant program is
1672 created, subject to appropriation, to provide funding to assist
1673 commercial saltwater products or commercial saltwater wholesale
1674 dealer or retailer license holders and seafood houses in
1675 maintaining their operations.

1676 (b) Eligible costs and expenditures include fixed capital
1677 outlay and operating capital outlay, including, but not limited
1678 to, the repair and maintenance or replacement of equipment, the
1679 repair and maintenance or replacement of water-adjacent
1680 facilities or infrastructure, and the construction or renovation
1681 of shore-side facilities.

1682 (c) The applicant must demonstrate a benefit to the local
1683 economy.

1684 (d) Grant recipients must submit annual progress reports to
1685 the department identifying project activities that are complete
1686 and the progress achieved in meeting the goals outlines in the
1687 project application.

1688 (e) The department shall implement a process to monitor and
1689 evaluate the performance of grant recipients in completing
1690 projects funded through the program.

1691 Section 61. The amendments to s. 380.5105, Florida
1692 Statutes, made by this act expire July 1, 2025, and the text of
1693 that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2024,



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1694 except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by
1695 this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the
1696 extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions
1697 of text which expire pursuant to this section.

1698 Section 62. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1699 2736 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b)
1700 of subsection (3) and subsection (5) of section 321.04, Florida
1701 Statutes, are amended to read:

1702 321.04 Personnel of the highway patrol; rank
1703 classifications; probationary status of new patrol officers;
1704 subsistence; special assignments.-

1705 (3)

1706 (b) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, upon the
1707 request of the Governor, the Department of Highway Safety and
1708 Motor Vehicles shall assign one or more patrol officers to the
1709 office of the Lieutenant Governor for security services. This
1710 paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1711 (5) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, the
1712 assignment of a patrol officer by the department shall include a
1713 Cabinet member specified in s. 4, Art. IV of the State
1714 Constitution if deemed appropriate by the department or in
1715 response to a threat and upon written request of such Cabinet
1716 member. This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1717 Section 63. In order to implement section 164 of the 2024-
1718 2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section
1719 288.80125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1720 288.80125 Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund.-

1721 (3) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, funds shall be
1722 used for the Rebuild Florida Revolving Loan Fund program to



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1723 provide assistance to businesses impacted by Hurricane Michael
1724 as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This subsection
1725 expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1726 Section 64. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1727 2284 through 2291 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
1728 and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 65 of chapter
1729 2023-240, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 288.8013,
1730 Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1731 288.8013 Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.; creation; funding;
1732 investment.—

1733 (3) Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., shall establish a trust
1734 account at a federally insured financial institution to hold
1735 funds received from the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund and make
1736 deposits and payments. Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., may invest
1737 surplus funds in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund,
1738 pursuant to s. 218.407. Earnings generated by investments and
1739 interest of the fund may be retained and used to make awards
1740 pursuant to this act or, notwithstanding paragraph (2)(d), for
1741 administrative costs, including costs in excess of the cap.
1742 Administrative costs may include payment of travel and per diem
1743 expenses of board members, audits, salary or other costs for
1744 employed or contracted staff, including required staff under s.
1745 288.8014(9), and other allowable costs. The annual salary for
1746 any employee or contracted staff may not exceed \$130,000, and
1747 associated benefits may not exceed 35 percent of salary.

1748 Section 65. The text of s. 288.8013(3), Florida Statutes,
1749 as carried forward from chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida, by
1750 this act expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that subsection
1751 shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023, except that



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1752 any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall
1753 be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such
1754 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which
1755 expire pursuant to this section.

1756 Section 66. In order to implement section 205 of the 2024-
1757 2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section
1758 339.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1759 339.08 Use of moneys in State Transportation Trust Fund.—

1760 (4) Notwithstanding any other law, and for the 2024-2025
1761 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, funds are appropriated to the State
1762 Transportation Trust Fund from the General Revenue Fund as
1763 provided in the General Appropriations Act. The department is
1764 not required to deplete the resources transferred from the
1765 General Revenue Fund for the fiscal year as required in s.
1766 339.135(3)(b), and the funds may not be used in calculating the
1767 required quarterly cash balance of the trust fund as required in
1768 s. 339.135(6)(b). This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1769 Section 67. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1770 2024 through 2037, 2049 through 2055, 2058 through 2069, and
1771 2070 through 2072 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
1772 paragraph (h) of subsection (7) of section 339.135, Florida
1773 Statutes, is amended to read:

1774 339.135 Work program; legislative budget request;
1775 definitions; preparation, adoption, execution, and amendment.—

1776 (7) AMENDMENT OF THE ADOPTED WORK PROGRAM.—

1777 (h)1. Any work program amendment that also adds a new
1778 project, or phase thereof, to the adopted work program in excess
1779 of \$3 million is subject to approval by the Legislative Budget
1780 Commission. Any work program amendment submitted under this



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1781 paragraph must include, as supplemental information, a list of
1782 projects, or phases thereof, in the current 5-year adopted work
1783 program which are eligible for the funds within the
1784 appropriation category being used for the proposed amendment.
1785 The department shall provide a narrative with the rationale for
1786 not advancing an existing project, or phase thereof, in lieu of
1787 the proposed amendment.

1788 2. If the department submits an amendment to the
1789 Legislative Budget Commission and the commission does not meet
1790 or consider the amendment within 30 days after its submittal,
1791 the chair and vice chair of the commission may authorize the
1792 amendment to be approved pursuant to s. 216.177. This
1793 subparagraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1794 Section 68. In order to implement section 197 of the 2024-
1795 2025 General Appropriations Act, section 250.245, Florida
1796 Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

1797 250.245 Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment Enhancement
1798 Program.—

1799 (1) The Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment Enhancement
1800 Program (JEEP) is established within the Department of Military
1801 Affairs. The purpose of the program is to motivate soldiers,
1802 airmen, and retirees of the Florida National Guard to bolster
1803 recruitment efforts and increase the force structure of the
1804 Florida National Guard.

1805 (2) As used in this section, the term "recruiting
1806 assistant" means a member of the Florida National Guard or a
1807 retiree of the Florida National Guard who assists in the
1808 recruitment of a new member and who provides motivation,
1809 encouragement, and moral support until the enlistment of such



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1810 new member.

1811 (3) A current member in pay grade E-1 to O-3 or a retiree
1812 in any pay grade is eligible for participation in JEEP as a
1813 recruiting assistant.

1814 (4) The Adjutant General shall provide compensation to
1815 recruiting assistants participating in JEEP. A recruiting
1816 assistant shall receive \$1,000 for each new member referred by
1817 them to the Florida National Guard upon the enlistment of such
1818 referred member.

1819 (5) The Department of Military Affairs, in cooperation with
1820 the Florida National Guard, shall adopt rules to administer the
1821 program.

1822 (6) This section expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1823 Section 69. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1824 2348 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (6)
1825 of section 288.0655, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1826 288.0655 Rural Infrastructure Fund.—

1827 (6) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, the funds
1828 appropriated for the grant program for Florida Panhandle
1829 counties shall be distributed pursuant to and for the purposes
1830 described in the proviso language associated with Specific
1831 Appropriation 2348 ~~2342~~ of the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ General
1832 Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1833 Section 70. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1834 2705 and 2706 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
1835 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
1836 Division of Emergency Management may submit budget amendments,
1837 subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s.
1838 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for



1839 projected expenditures due to reimbursements from federally
1840 declared disasters. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1841 Section 71. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1842 2671 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d)
1843 of subsection (4) of section 112.061, Florida Statutes, is
1844 amended to read:

1845 112.061 Per diem and travel expenses of public officers,
1846 employees, and authorized persons; statewide travel management
1847 system.—

1848 (4) OFFICIAL HEADQUARTERS.—The official headquarters of an
1849 officer or employee assigned to an office shall be the city or
1850 town in which the office is located except that:

1851 (d) A Lieutenant Governor who permanently resides outside
1852 of Leon County, may, if he or she so requests, have an
1853 appropriate facility in his or her county designated as his or
1854 her official headquarters for purposes of this section. This
1855 official headquarters may only serve as the Lieutenant
1856 Governor's personal office. The Lieutenant Governor may not use
1857 state funds to lease space in any facility for his or her
1858 official headquarters.

1859 1. A Lieutenant Governor for whom an official headquarters
1860 is established in his or her county of residence pursuant to
1861 this paragraph is eligible for subsistence at a rate to be
1862 established by the Governor for each day or partial day that the
1863 Lieutenant Governor is at the State Capitol to conduct official
1864 state business. In addition to the subsistence allowance, a
1865 Lieutenant Governor is eligible for reimbursement for
1866 transportation expenses as provided in subsection (7) for travel
1867 between the Lieutenant Governor's official headquarters and the



1868 State Capitol to conduct state business.

1869 2. Payment of subsistence and reimbursement for
1870 transportation between a Lieutenant Governor's official
1871 headquarters and the State Capitol shall be made to the extent
1872 appropriated funds are available, as determined by the Governor.

1873 3. This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1874 Section 72. (1) In order to implement section 8 of the
1875 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, beginning July 1, 2024,
1876 and on the first day of each month thereafter, the Department of
1877 Management Services shall assess an administrative health
1878 insurance assessment to each state agency equal to the
1879 employer's cost of individual employee health care coverage for
1880 each vacant position within such agency eligible for coverage
1881 through the Division of State Group Insurance. As used in this
1882 section, the term "state agency" means an agency within the
1883 State Personnel System, the Department of the Lottery, the
1884 Justice Administrative Commission and all entities
1885 administratively housed in the Justice Administrative
1886 Commission, and the state courts system.

1887 (2) Each state agency shall remit the assessed
1888 administrative health insurance assessment under subsection (1)
1889 to the State Employees Health Insurance Trust Fund, for the
1890 State Group Insurance Program, as provided in ss. 110.123 and
1891 110.1239, Florida Statutes, from currently allocated monies for
1892 salaries and benefits, within 30 days after receipt of the
1893 assessment from the Department of Management Services. Should
1894 any state agency become more than 60 days delinquent in payment
1895 of this obligation, the Department of Management Services shall
1896 certify to the Chief Financial Officer the amount due, and the



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1897 Chief Financial Officer shall transfer the amount due to the
1898 Department of Management Services.

1899 (3) The administrative health insurance assessment shall
1900 not apply to positions for which funding, or a portion of
1901 funding, is paid for with federal funds. Each state agency shall
1902 provide the Department of Management Services with a complete
1903 list of position numbers that are funded, or partially funded,
1904 with federal funding no later than July 31, 2024, and shall
1905 update the list on the last day of each month thereafter. For
1906 federally funded positions, or partially funded positions, each
1907 state agency shall immediately take steps to include the
1908 administrative health insurance assessment in its indirect cost
1909 plan for the 2024-2025 fiscal year and each fiscal year
1910 thereafter. A state agency shall notify the Department of
1911 Management Services upon approval of the updated indirect cost
1912 plan. If the state agency is not able to obtain approval from
1913 its federal awarding agency, the state agency must notify the
1914 Department of Management Services no later than January 16,
1915 2025.

1916 (4) Pursuant to the notice, review, and objection
1917 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office
1918 of the Governor may transfer budget authority appropriated in
1919 the Salaries and Benefits appropriation category between
1920 agencies in order to align the appropriations granted with the
1921 assessments that must be paid by each agency to the Department
1922 of Management Services for the administrative health insurance
1923 assessment.

1924 (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1925 Section 73. In order to implement Specific Appropriations



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1926 2800 and 2801 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
1927 notwithstanding s. 11.13(1), Florida Statutes, the authorized
1928 salaries for members of the Legislature for the 2024-2025 fiscal
1929 year shall be set at the same level in effect on July 1, 2010.
1930 This section expires July 1, 2025.

1931 Section 74. In order to implement the transfer of funds
1932 from the General Revenue Fund from trust funds for the 2024-2025
1933 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration
1934 date in section 76 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida,
1935 paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 215.32, Florida
1936 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1937 215.32 State funds; segregation.-

1938 (2) The source and use of each of these funds shall be as
1939 follows:

1940 (b)1. The trust funds shall consist of moneys received by
1941 the state which under law or under trust agreement are
1942 segregated for a purpose authorized by law. The state agency or
1943 branch of state government receiving or collecting such moneys
1944 is responsible for their proper expenditure as provided by law.
1945 Upon the request of the state agency or branch of state
1946 government responsible for the administration of the trust fund,
1947 the Chief Financial Officer may establish accounts within the
1948 trust fund at a level considered necessary for proper
1949 accountability. Once an account is established, the Chief
1950 Financial Officer may authorize payment from that account only
1951 upon determining that there is sufficient cash and releases at
1952 the level of the account.

1953 2. In addition to other trust funds created by law, to the
1954 extent possible, each agency shall use the following trust funds



1955 as described in this subparagraph for day-to-day operations:
1956 a. Operations or operating trust fund, for use as a
1957 depository for funds to be used for program operations funded by
1958 program revenues, with the exception of administrative
1959 activities when the operations or operating trust fund is a
1960 proprietary fund.
1961 b. Operations and maintenance trust fund, for use as a
1962 depository for client services funded by third-party payors.
1963 c. Administrative trust fund, for use as a depository for
1964 funds to be used for management activities that are departmental
1965 in nature and funded by indirect cost earnings and assessments
1966 against trust funds. Proprietary funds are excluded from the
1967 requirement of using an administrative trust fund.
1968 d. Grants and donations trust fund, for use as a depository
1969 for funds to be used for allowable grant or donor agreement
1970 activities funded by restricted contractual revenue from private
1971 and public nonfederal sources.
1972 e. Agency working capital trust fund, for use as a
1973 depository for funds to be used pursuant to s. 216.272.
1974 f. Clearing funds trust fund, for use as a depository for
1975 funds to account for collections pending distribution to lawful
1976 recipients.
1977 g. Federal grant trust fund, for use as a depository for
1978 funds to be used for allowable grant activities funded by
1979 restricted program revenues from federal sources.
1980
1981 To the extent possible, each agency must adjust its internal
1982 accounting to use existing trust funds consistent with the
1983 requirements of this subparagraph. If an agency does not have



1984 trust funds listed in this subparagraph and cannot make such
1985 adjustment, the agency must recommend the creation of the
1986 necessary trust funds to the Legislature no later than the next
1987 scheduled review of the agency's trust funds pursuant to s.
1988 215.3206.

1989 3. All such moneys are hereby appropriated to be expended
1990 in accordance with the law or trust agreement under which they
1991 were received, subject always to the provisions of chapter 216
1992 relating to the appropriation of funds and to the applicable
1993 laws relating to the deposit or expenditure of moneys in the
1994 State Treasury.

1995 4.a. Notwithstanding any provision of law restricting the
1996 use of trust funds to specific purposes, unappropriated cash
1997 balances from selected trust funds may be authorized by the
1998 Legislature for transfer to the Budget Stabilization Fund and
1999 General Revenue Fund in the General Appropriations Act.

2000 b. This subparagraph does not apply to trust funds required
2001 by federal programs or mandates; trust funds established for
2002 bond covenants, indentures, or resolutions whose revenues are
2003 legally pledged by the state or public body to meet debt service
2004 or other financial requirements of any debt obligations of the
2005 state or any public body; the Division of Licensing Trust Fund
2006 in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; the
2007 State Transportation Trust Fund; the trust fund containing the
2008 net annual proceeds from the Florida Education Lotteries; the
2009 Florida Retirement System Trust Fund; trust funds under the
2010 management of the State Board of Education or the Board of
2011 Governors of the State University System, where such trust funds
2012 are for auxiliary enterprises, self-insurance, and contracts,



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2013 grants, and donations, as those terms are defined by general
2014 law; trust funds that serve as clearing funds or accounts for
2015 the Chief Financial Officer or state agencies; trust funds that
2016 account for assets held by the state in a trustee capacity as an
2017 agent or fiduciary for individuals, private organizations, or
2018 other governmental units; and other trust funds authorized by
2019 the State Constitution.

2020 Section 75. The text of s. 215.32(2)(b), Florida Statutes,
2021 as carried forward from chapter 2011-47, Laws of Florida, by
2022 this act, expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that paragraph
2023 shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2011, except that
2024 any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall
2025 be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such
2026 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which
2027 expire pursuant to this section.

2028 Section 76. In order to implement appropriations in the
2029 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel,
2030 the funds appropriated to each state agency which may be used
2031 for travel by state employees are limited during the 2024-2025
2032 fiscal year to travel for activities that are critical to each
2033 state agency's mission. Funds may not be used for travel by
2034 state employees to foreign countries, other states, conferences,
2035 staff training activities, or other administrative functions
2036 unless the agency head has approved, in writing, that such
2037 activities are critical to the agency's mission. The agency head
2038 shall consider using teleconferencing and other forms of
2039 electronic communication to meet the needs of the proposed
2040 activity before approving mission-critical travel. This section
2041 does not apply to travel for law enforcement purposes, military



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2042 purposes, emergency management activities, or public health
2043 activities. This section expires July 1, 2025.

2044 Section 77. In order to implement appropriations in the
2045 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel,
2046 and notwithstanding s. 112.061, Florida Statutes, costs for
2047 lodging associated with a meeting, conference, or convention
2048 organized or sponsored in whole or in part by a state agency or
2049 the judicial branch may not exceed \$225 per day. An employee may
2050 expend his or her own funds for any lodging expenses in excess
2051 of \$225 per day. For purposes of this section, a meeting does
2052 not include travel activities for conducting an audit,
2053 examination, inspection, or investigation or travel activities
2054 related to a litigation or emergency response. This section
2055 expires July 1, 2025.

2056 Section 78. In order to implement the salaries and
2057 benefits, expenses, other personal services, contracted
2058 services, special categories, and operating capital outlay
2059 categories of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,
2060 paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 216.292, Florida
2061 Statutes, is amended to read:

2062 216.292 Appropriations nontransferable; exceptions.—

2063 (2) The following transfers are authorized to be made by
2064 the head of each department or the Chief Justice of the Supreme
2065 Court whenever it is deemed necessary by reason of changed
2066 conditions:

2067 (a) The transfer of appropriations funded from identical
2068 funding sources, except appropriations for fixed capital outlay,
2069 and the transfer of amounts included within the total original
2070 approved budget and plans of releases of appropriations as



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2071 furnished pursuant to ss. 216.181 and 216.192, as follows:

2072 1. Between categories of appropriations within a budget
2073 entity, if no category of appropriation is increased or
2074 decreased by more than 5 percent of the original approved budget
2075 or \$250,000, whichever is greater, by all action taken under
2076 this subsection.

2077 2. Between budget entities within identical categories of
2078 appropriations, if no category of appropriation is increased or
2079 decreased by more than 5 percent of the original approved budget
2080 or \$250,000, whichever is greater, by all action taken under
2081 this subsection.

2082 3. Any agency exceeding salary rate established pursuant to
2083 s. 216.181(8) on June 30th of any fiscal year shall not be
2084 authorized to make transfers pursuant to subparagraphs 1. and 2.
2085 in the subsequent fiscal year.

2086 4. Notice of proposed transfers under subparagraphs 1. and
2087 2. shall be provided to the Executive Office of the Governor and
2088 the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees at least
2089 3 days prior to agency implementation in order to provide an
2090 opportunity for review. The review shall be limited to ensuring
2091 that the transfer is in compliance with the requirements of this
2092 paragraph.

2093 5. For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, the review
2094 shall ensure that transfers proposed pursuant to this paragraph
2095 comply with this chapter, maximize the use of available and
2096 appropriate trust funds, and are not contrary to legislative
2097 policy and intent. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2098 Section 79. In order to implement appropriations in the
2099 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for the acquisitions of



2100 motor vehicles, and notwithstanding chapter 287, Florida
2101 Statutes, relating to the purchase of motor vehicles from a
2102 state term contract, state agencies may purchase vehicles from
2103 nonstate term contract vendors without prior approval from the
2104 Department of Management Services, provided the cost of the
2105 motor vehicle is equal to or less than the cost of a similar
2106 class of vehicle found on a state term contract and provided the
2107 funds for the purchase have been specifically appropriated. This
2108 section expires July 1, 2025.

2109 Section 80. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2110 2880 in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and
2111 notwithstanding s. 255.25(3) (a), Florida Statutes, the
2112 Department of Management Services, the Executive Office of the
2113 Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief Financial
2114 Officer, and the Attorney General are authorized to enter into a
2115 lease as a lessee not to exceed 24 months for the use of space
2116 in a privately owned building, even if such space is 5,000
2117 square feet or more, without having to advertise or receive
2118 competitive solicitations. This section expires July 1, 2025.

2119 Section 81. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
2120 1672 through 1687 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

2121 (1) The Department of Environmental Protection shall use
2122 the funds provided in section 146 of the 2023-2024 General
2123 Appropriations Act to negotiate and, upon a mutual agreement
2124 with any willing seller, purchase lands or interests in lands,
2125 subject to appraisals and pursuant to chapter 253, Florida
2126 Statutes, within the following land areas:

2127 (a) The Caloosahatchee Big Cypress Corridor, which consists
2128 of approximately 75,000 acres in Hendry and Collier Counties



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2129 connecting the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge and the
2130 Big Cypress National Preserve to the Dinner Island Wildlife
2131 Management Area, the Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest, and the
2132 Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed Wildlife and
2133 Environmental Area; and

2134 (b) The Ocala-to-Osceola Wildlife Corridor, which consists
2135 of approximately 1.6 million acres in Alachua, Baker, Bradford,
2136 Clay, Columbia, Duval, Hamilton, Lake, Marion, Putnam, Union,
2137 and Volusia Counties connecting the Osceola National Forest to
2138 the Ocala National Forest.

2139 (2) To reduce the state's land management costs, the
2140 Department of Environmental Protection shall offer, at the
2141 selling property owner's option, negotiated terms for each
2142 property owner within the Caloosahatchee Big Cypress Corridor to
2143 lease all or a portion of the property for fair market value for
2144 agricultural purposes for 10-year terms.

2145 (a) Each lease must include, at the option of the lessee,
2146 at least two 5-year extensions, so long as the lessee is in
2147 compliance with the lease terms.

2148 (b) Any agricultural uses authorized may not be more
2149 intensive than historical or existing uses and must be
2150 authorized by any applicable agricultural land use designations.

2151 All agricultural practices must be conducted in compliance with
2152 the applicable best management practices adopted by the
2153 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

2154 (3) This section expires July 1, 2025.

2155 Section 82. In order to implement section 205 through 208
2156 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding
2157 ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office



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2158 of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget may submit a
2159 budget amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
2160 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding,
2161 within and between agencies, in appropriation categories
2162 specifically authorized for the implementation of the state's
2163 award from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund,
2164 Pub. L. No. 117-2. The funding realignment shall address
2165 projected surpluses and deficits in existing programs and
2166 maximize the state's utilization of federal funds, which must be
2167 fully obligated by December 31, 2024. The Executive Office of
2168 the Governor shall submit a budget amendment to realign federal
2169 funds no later than December 31, 2024. This section expires July
2170 1, 2025.

2171 Section 83. Any section of this act which implements a
2172 specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso
2173 language in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act is void if
2174 the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso
2175 language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements
2176 more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of
2177 specifically identified proviso language in the 2024-2025
2178 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific
2179 appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso
2180 language are vetoed.

2181 Section 84. If any other act passed during the 2024 Regular
2182 Session of the Legislature contains a provision that is
2183 substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that
2184 removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied
2185 to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the
2186 provision in the other act takes precedence and continues to



2187 operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

2188 Section 85. If any provision of this act or its application
2189 to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity
2190 does not affect other provisions or applications of the act
2191 which can be given effect without the invalid provision or
2192 application, and to this end the provisions of this act are
2193 severable.

2194 Section 86. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
2195 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
2196 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,
2197 2024, or, if this act fails to become a law until after that
2198 date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate
2199 retroactively to July 1, 2024.

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2201 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

2202 And the title is amended as follows:

2203 Delete everything before the enacting clause
2204 and insert:

2205 A bill to be entitled
2206 An act implementing the 2024-2025 General
2207 Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent;
2208 incorporating by reference certain calculations of the
2209 Florida Education Finance Program; reenacting and
2210 amending s. 1002.68, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
2211 certain requirements for the Voluntary Prekindergarten
2212 Education Program; providing for the future expiration
2213 and reversion of specified statutory text; requiring
2214 the Department of Revenue to provide the taxable value
2215 for the Wakulla County School District by a specified



2216 date to be used for certain education funding programs
2217 and calculations; amending s. 1004.6495, F.S.;

2218 requiring the Board of Governors and the State Board
2219 of Education, in consultation with the Florida Center
2220 for Students with Unique Abilities, to establish a
2221 specified code by a specified date; authorizing the
2222 Agency for Health Care Administration to submit budget
2223 amendments within a specified timeframe to increase
2224 budget authority to support the implementation of the
2225 Medicaid home and community-based services Medicaid
2226 waiver program of the Agency for Persons with
2227 Disabilities; authorizing the Agency for Health Care
2228 Administration to submit a budget amendment for
2229 additional spending authority for the Disproportionate
2230 Share Hospital Program; requiring the budget amendment
2231 to include certain information; authorizing the Agency
2232 for Health Care Administration to submit a budget
2233 amendment to realign funding within the Medicaid
2234 program appropriation categories for a specified
2235 purpose; specifying the time period within which the
2236 budget amendment must be submitted; authorizing the
2237 Agency for Health Care Administration to submit a
2238 budget amendment to realign funding within the Florida
2239 Kidcare program appropriation categories or increase
2240 budget authority for certain purposes; specifying the
2241 time period within which the budget amendment must be
2242 submitted; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; extending for 1
2243 fiscal year the exemption of certain rules pertaining
2244 to the medical use of marijuana from certain



2245 rulemaking requirements; amending s. 14(1), chapter
2246 2017-232, Laws of Florida; exempting certain rules
2247 pertaining to medical marijuana adopted to replace
2248 emergency rules from specified rulemaking
2249 requirements; providing for the future expiration and
2250 reversion of a specified law; authorizing the Agency
2251 for Health Care Administration to submit budget
2252 amendments seeking additional spending authority to
2253 implement specified programs and payments; requiring
2254 institutions participating in a specified workforce
2255 expansion and education program to provide quarterly
2256 reports to the agency; authorizing the Agency for
2257 Health Care Administration to submit a budget
2258 amendment seeking additional spending authority to
2259 implement the Low-Income Pool component of the Florida
2260 Managed Medical Assistance Demonstration; requiring a
2261 certain signed attestation and acknowledgment for
2262 entities relating to the Low-Income Pool; authorizing
2263 the Agency for Health Care Administration to submit a
2264 budget amendment to implement certain payments and
2265 specified programs; authorizing the Agency for Health
2266 Care Administration to submit a budget amendment
2267 requesting additional spending authority to implement
2268 a specified program; authorizing the Department of
2269 Children and Families to submit a budget amendment to
2270 realign funding within specified areas of the
2271 department based on implementation of the Guardianship
2272 Assistance Program; authorizing the Department of
2273 Children and Families, the Department of Health, and



2274 the Agency for Health Care Administration to submit
2275 budget amendments to increase budget authority to
2276 support certain refugee programs; requiring the
2277 Department of Children and Families to submit
2278 specified quarterly reports to the Executive Office of
2279 the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the
2280 Department of Children and Families to submit budget
2281 amendments to increase budget authority to support
2282 specified federal grant programs; authorizing the
2283 Department of Health to submit a budget amendment to
2284 increase budget authority for the Supplemental
2285 Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
2286 (WIC) and the Child Care Food Program if a certain
2287 condition is met; authorizing the Department of Health
2288 to submit a budget amendment to increase budget
2289 authority for the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment
2290 Program if a certain condition is met; authorizing the
2291 Department of Health to submit a budget amendment to
2292 increase budget authority for the department if
2293 additional federal revenues specific to COVID-19
2294 relief funds become available; authorizing the balance
2295 of certain appropriations for the Pediatric Rare
2296 Disease Research Grant Program to be carried forward
2297 for a specified period of time; requiring the Agency
2298 for Health Care Administration to replace the Florida
2299 Medicaid Management Information System (FMMIS) and
2300 fiscal agent operations with a specified new system;
2301 specifying items that may not be included in the new
2302 system; providing directives to the Agency for Health



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2303 Care Administration related to the new Florida Health
2304 Care Connection (FX) system; requiring the Agency for
2305 Health Care Administration to meet certain
2306 requirements in replacing FMMIS and the current
2307 Medicaid fiscal agent; requiring the Agency for Health
2308 Care Administration to implement a project governance
2309 structure that includes an executive steering
2310 committee; providing procedures for use by the
2311 executive steering committee; providing
2312 responsibilities of the executive steering committee;
2313 requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration,
2314 in consultation with the Department of Health, the
2315 Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department
2316 of Children and Families, and the Department of
2317 Corrections, to competitively procure a contract with
2318 a vendor to negotiate prices for certain prescribed
2319 drugs and biological products; providing requirements
2320 for such contract; authorizing the Agency for Persons
2321 with Disabilities to submit budget amendments to
2322 transfer funding from the Salaries and Benefits
2323 appropriation categories for a specified purpose;
2324 authorizing the Department of Veterans' Affairs to
2325 submit a budget amendment for specified purposes if
2326 additional direct care staff are needed to meet its
2327 established staffing ratio; amending s. 409.915, F.S.;
2328 extending for 1 fiscal year the exclusion of certain
2329 funds from the definition of the term "state Medicaid
2330 expenditures"; amending s. 216.262, F.S.; extending
2331 for 1 fiscal year the authority of the Department of



2332 Corrections to submit a budget amendment for
2333 additional positions and appropriations under certain
2334 circumstances; requiring review and approval by the
2335 Legislative Budget Commission; amending s. 215.18,
2336 F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority and
2337 related repayment requirements for temporary trust
2338 fund loans to the state court system which are
2339 sufficient to meet the system's appropriation;
2340 requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to review
2341 county juvenile detention payments to determine
2342 whether a county has met specified financial
2343 responsibilities; requiring amounts owed by the county
2344 for such financial responsibilities to be deducted
2345 from certain county funds; requiring the Department of
2346 Revenue to transfer withheld funds to a specified
2347 trust fund; requiring the Department of Revenue to
2348 ensure that such reductions in amounts distributed do
2349 not reduce distributions below amounts necessary for
2350 certain payments due on bonds and to comply with bond
2351 covenants; requiring the Department of Revenue to
2352 notify the Department of Juvenile Justice if bond
2353 payment requirements mandate a reduction in deductions
2354 for amounts owed by a county; reenacting s. 27.40(1),
2355 (2)(a), (3)(a), (5), (6), and (7), F.S., relating to
2356 court-appointed counsel; extending for 1 fiscal year
2357 provisions governing the appointment of court-
2358 appointed counsel; providing for the future expiration
2359 and reversion of specified statutory text; reenacting
2360 and amending s. 27.5304, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal



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2361 year limitations on compensation for representation in
2362 criminal proceedings; providing for the future
2363 expiration and reversion of specified statutory text;
2364 amending s. 934.50, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
2365 the drone replacement grant program within the
2366 Department of Law Enforcement; revising the
2367 eligibility for and use of program funds; requiring
2368 the Department of Management Services to use tenant
2369 broker services to renegotiate or reprocure certain
2370 private lease agreements for office or storage space;
2371 requiring the Department of Management Services to
2372 provide a report to the Governor and the Legislature
2373 by a specified date; prohibiting an agency from
2374 transferring funds from a data processing category to
2375 another category that is not a data processing
2376 category; authorizing the Executive Office of the
2377 Governor to transfer funds between departments for
2378 purposes of aligning amounts paid for risk management
2379 insurance and for human resources services purchased
2380 per statewide contract; authorizing the Department of
2381 Management Services to use certain facility
2382 disposition funds from the Architects Incidental Trust
2383 Fund to pay for certain relocation expenses;
2384 authorizing the Department of Management Services to
2385 submit budget amendments for certain purposes related
2386 to the relocation; authorizing the Department of
2387 Management Services to acquire additional state-owned
2388 office buildings or property for inclusion in the
2389 Florida Facilities Pool; requiring the Department of



2390 Financial Services to replace specified components of
2391 the Florida Accounting Information Resource Subsystem
2392 (FLAIR) and the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS);
2393 requiring the Department of Financial Services to take
2394 certain actions regarding FLAIR and CMS replacement;
2395 providing for the composition of an executive steering
2396 committee to oversee FLAIR and CMS replacement;
2397 prescribing duties and responsibilities of the
2398 executive steering committee; reenacting s.
2399 282.709(3), F.S., relating to the state agency law
2400 enforcement radio system and interoperability network;
2401 providing for future expiration and reversion of
2402 specified statutory text; authorizing state agencies
2403 and other eligible users of the Statewide Law
2404 Enforcement Radio System to use the Department of
2405 Management Services contract to purchase equipment and
2406 services; requiring a specified transaction fee
2407 percentage for use of the online procurement system;
2408 amending s. 717.123, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
2409 the authority of the Department of Financial Services
2410 to retain certain funds relating to unclaimed property
2411 and to make specified payments; amending s. 120.80,
2412 F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the exclusion of
2413 certain rules adopted by the Florida Public Service
2414 Commission in a certain fiscal year to specified
2415 provisions; amending s. 215.18, F.S.; extending for 1
2416 fiscal year the authority of the Governor, if there is
2417 a specified temporary deficiency in a land acquisition
2418 trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and



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2419 Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental
2420 Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and
2421 Wildlife Conservation Commission, to transfer funds
2422 from other trust funds in the State Treasury as a
2423 temporary loan to such trust fund; providing a
2424 deadline for the repayment of such temporary loan;
2425 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection
2426 to transfer designated proportions of the revenues
2427 deposited in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within
2428 the department to land acquisition trust funds in the
2429 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the
2430 Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife
2431 Conservation Commission according to specified
2432 parameters and calculations; defining the term
2433 "department"; requiring the Department of
2434 Environmental Protection to make transfers to land
2435 acquisition trust funds monthly; specifying the method
2436 of determining transfer amounts; authorizing the
2437 Department of Environmental Protection to advance
2438 funds from its land acquisition trust fund to the Fish
2439 and Wildlife Conservation Commission's land
2440 acquisition trust fund for specified purposes;
2441 amending s. 259.105, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
2442 the distribution of proceeds from the Florida Forever
2443 Trust Fund; reenacting s. 376.3071(15)(g), F.S.,
2444 relating to the Inland Protection Trust Fund;
2445 exempting specified costs incurred by certain
2446 petroleum storage system owners or operators during a
2447 specified period from the prohibition against making



2448 payments in excess of amounts approved by the
2449 Department of Environmental Protection; providing for
2450 the future expiration and reversion of specified
2451 statutory text; requiring the Department of Citrus to
2452 enter into agreements to expedite the increased
2453 production of certain citrus trees and commercialize
2454 certain technologies; specifying a timeframe for
2455 entering into such agreements; requiring a specified
2456 certification; creating s. 601.295, F.S.; creating the
2457 Citrus Recovery Loan Program within the Department of
2458 Agriculture and Consumer Services for a specified
2459 purpose; providing requirements for application to and
2460 the disbursement of funds within the program;
2461 providing requirements and terms for the loans;
2462 authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
2463 Services to adopt rules; creating the Local Government
2464 Water Supply Grant Program within the Department of
2465 Environmental Protection; providing the purpose of the
2466 program; providing eligibility requirements; requiring
2467 the Department of Environmental Protection to
2468 expeditiously develop an application process;
2469 authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection
2470 to adopt rules; amending s. 380.5105, F.S.; providing
2471 legislative intent; creating, subject to
2472 appropriation, the working waterfronts capital outlay
2473 grant program; specifying the purpose of the grant
2474 program; providing eligible costs and expenditures for
2475 the grant program; providing requirements for the
2476 program; requiring the Department of Environmental



2477 Protection to implement a process to monitor and
2478 evaluate grant recipient performance; amending s.
2479 321.04, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the
2480 requirement that the Department of Highway Safety and
2481 Motor Vehicles assign one or more patrol officers to
2482 the office of Lieutenant Governor for security
2483 purposes, upon request of the Governor; extending for
2484 1 fiscal year the requirement that the Department of
2485 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles assign a patrol
2486 officer to a Cabinet member under certain
2487 circumstances; amending s. 288.80125, F.S.; extending
2488 for 1 fiscal year a requirement that funds in the
2489 Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund be related to Hurricane
2490 Michael recovery; reenacting s. 288.8013(3), F.S.,
2491 relating to the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund;
2492 providing for the future expiration and reversion of
2493 specified statutory text; amending s. 339.08, F.S.;
2494 appropriating funds to the State Transportation Trust
2495 Fund from the General Revenue Fund as provided in the
2496 General Appropriations Act; amending s. 339.135, F.S.;
2497 extending for 1 fiscal year the authority for the
2498 chair and vice chair of the Legislative Budget
2499 Commission to approve certain work program amendments
2500 under specified circumstances; reenacting and amending
2501 s. 250.245, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the
2502 Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment Enhancement
2503 Program within the Department of Military Affairs;
2504 amending s. 288.0655, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal
2505 year a requirement that certain appropriated funds



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2506 relating to the Rural Infrastructure Fund be
2507 distributed in a specified manner; authorizing the
2508 Division of Emergency Management to submit budget
2509 amendments to increase budget authority for certain
2510 project expenditures; amending s. 112.061, F.S.;
2511 extending for 1 fiscal year the authorization for the
2512 Lieutenant Governor to designate an alternative
2513 official headquarters under certain conditions;
2514 specifying restrictions, limitations, eligibility for
2515 the subsistence allowance, reimbursement of
2516 transportation expenses, and payment thereof;
2517 requiring the Department of Management Services to
2518 assess an administrative health insurance assessment
2519 on each state agency; providing the rate of such
2520 assessment; defining the term "state agency";
2521 providing how a state agency shall remit certain
2522 funds; requiring the Department of Management Services
2523 to take certain actions in case of delinquencies;
2524 requiring the Chief Financial Officer to transfer
2525 funds under specified circumstances; providing an
2526 exception; requiring state agencies to provide a list
2527 of positions that qualify for such exception by a
2528 specified date and to update the list monthly
2529 thereafter; requiring state agencies to include the
2530 administrative health insurance assessment in their
2531 indirect cost plan; requiring agencies to notify the
2532 Department of Management Services regarding the
2533 approval of their updated indirect cost plans;
2534 authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to



2535 transfer budget authority between agencies in
2536 specified circumstances; providing that the annual
2537 salaries of the members of the Legislature be
2538 maintained at a specified level; reenacting s.
2539 215.32(2)(b), F.S., relating to the authorization for
2540 transferring unappropriated cash balances from
2541 selected trust funds to the Budget Stabilization Fund
2542 and General Revenue Fund; providing for future
2543 expiration and reversion of specific statutory text;
2544 specifying the type of travel for which state employee
2545 travel funds may be used; providing exceptions;
2546 providing a monetary cap on lodging costs for state
2547 employee travel to certain meetings organized or
2548 sponsored by a state agency or the judicial branch;
2549 authorizing employees to expend their own funds for
2550 lodging expenses that exceed the monetary caps;
2551 amending s. 216.292, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
2552 the requirements for certain transfers; authorizing
2553 state agencies to purchase vehicles from nonstate term
2554 contract vendors without prior approval from the
2555 Department of Management Services under certain
2556 circumstances; authorizing the Department of
2557 Management Services, the Executive Office of the
2558 Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief
2559 Financial Officer, and the Attorney General to enter
2560 into specified leases as a lessee without having to
2561 advertise or receive competitive solicitations;
2562 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection
2563 to use specified funds to purchase lands or interests



2564 in lands within certain areas; requiring the
2565 Department of Environmental Protection to offer
2566 specified leases; authorizing the Executive Office of
2567 the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget to submit a
2568 budget amendment to realign funding within and between
2569 agencies in appropriation categories specifically
2570 authorized for implementation of the state's award
2571 from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
2572 Fund; providing requirements for the realignment;
2573 requiring the budget amendment to be submitted by a
2574 specified date; providing conditions under which the
2575 veto of certain appropriations or proviso language in
2576 the General Appropriations Act voids language that
2577 implements such appropriation; providing for the
2578 continued operation of certain provisions
2579 notwithstanding a future repeal or expiration provided
2580 by the act; providing severability; providing for
2581 contingent retroactivity; providing effective dates.