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CHAMBER ACTION

SenateHouse

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Representative McClure offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove 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 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Section 2. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 5, 6, 88, 89, and 89A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program for the 2025-2026 fiscal year included in the document titled "Public School Funding: The Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) Fiscal Year 2025-2026," dated March 28, 2025, and filed

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with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, are incorporated by reference for the purpose of displaying the calculations used by the Legislature, consistent with the requirements of state law, in making appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 3. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 81 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the school readiness reimbursement rates for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 included in the document titled "School Readiness Program Reimbursement Rates Fiscal Year 2025-2026," dated March 28, 2025, and filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, are incorporated by reference, consistent with the requirements of state law, in making appropriations for the school readiness program allocation. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 147 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (5) of section 1011.45, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (6), subsection (3) is amended, and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

1011.45 End of year balance of funds.—Unexpended amounts in any fund in a university current year operating budget shall be carried forward and included as the balance forward for that fund in the approved operating budget for the following year.

(3) A university's carry forward spending plan must include the estimated cost per planned expenditure and a

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39 timeline for completion of the expenditure. A carry forward
40 spending plan may include retention of the carry forward balance
41 as a reserve fund to be used for authorized expenses in
42 subsequent years. For any annual reserve balance in excess of
43 the 7 percent minimum carry forward balance pursuant to
44 subsection (1), the authorized expenditures in a carry forward
45 spending plan must include a commitment of 12 percent of the
46 university's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 state operating fund carry
47 forward balance to fund a public education capital outlay
48 project for which an appropriation has previously been provided
49 that requires additional funds for completion and which is
50 included in the list required by s. 1001.706(12)(d). The carry
51 forward spending plan shall identify the specific public
52 education capital outlay project and the amount the university
53 will contribute towards the fixed capital outlay project
54 pursuant to s. 1001.706(12)(d). Authorized expenditures in a
55 carry forward spending plan may include:

56 ~~(a) Commitment of funds to a public education capital~~
57 ~~outlay project for which an appropriation has previously been~~
58 ~~provided that requires additional funds for completion and which~~
59 ~~is included in the list required by s. 1001.706(12)(d);~~

60 (a)-(b) Completion of a renovation, repair, or maintenance
61 project that is consistent with s. 1013.64(1) or replacement of
62 a minor facility;

63 (b)-(e) Completion of a remodeling or infrastructure

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64 project, including a project for a developmental research
65 school, if such project is survey recommended pursuant to s.
66 1013.31;

67 (c)~~(d)~~ Completion of a repair or replacement project
68 necessary due to damage caused by a natural disaster for
69 buildings included in the inventory required pursuant to s.
70 1013.31;

71 (d)~~(e)~~ Operating expenditures that support the
72 university's mission;

73 (e)~~(f)~~ Any purpose specified by the board or in the
74 General Appropriations Act, including the requirements in s.
75 1001.706(12)(c) or similar requirements pursuant to Board of
76 Governors regulations; and

77 (f)~~(g)~~ A commitment of funds to a contingency reserve for
78 expenses incurred as a result of a state of emergency declared
79 by the Governor pursuant to s. 252.36.

80 (5) A university's carry forward spending plan pursuant to
81 subsection (1) shall provide detailed documentation of
82 expenditures the university applied towards the prior year carry
83 forward spending plan.

84 **Section 5.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
85 197 through 225 and 530 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations
86 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida
87 Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration, in
88 consultation with the Department of Health, may submit a budget

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89 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
90 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
91 within and between agencies based on implementation of the
92 managed medical assistance component of the Statewide Medicaid
93 Managed Care program for the Children's Medical Services program
94 of the Department of Health. The funding realignment shall
95 reflect the actual enrollment changes due to the transfer of
96 beneficiaries from fee-for-service to the capitated Children's
97 Medical Services network. The Agency for Health Care
98 Administration may submit a request for nonoperating budget
99 authority to transfer the federal funds to the Department of
100 Health pursuant to s. 216.181(12), Florida Statutes. This
101 section expires July 1, 2026.

102 **Section 6.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
103 197 through 225 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and
104 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
105 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget
106 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
107 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
108 within the Medicaid program appropriation categories to address
109 projected surpluses and deficits within the program and to
110 maximize the use of state trust funds. A single budget amendment
111 shall be submitted in the last quarter of the 2025-2026 fiscal
112 year only. This section expires July 1, 2026.

113 **Section 7.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations

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114 179 through 184 and 530 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations
115 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida
116 Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration and the
117 Department of Health may each submit a budget amendment, subject
118 to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,
119 Florida Statutes, to realign funding within the Florida Kidcare
120 program appropriation categories, or to increase budget
121 authority in the Children's Medical Services network category,
122 to address projected surpluses and deficits within the program
123 or to maximize the use of state trust funds. A single budget
124 amendment must be submitted by each agency in the last quarter
125 of the 2025-2026 fiscal year only. This section expires July 1,
126 2026.

127 **Section 8. In order to implement Specific Appropriations**
128 **461 through 469A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act,**
129 **subsection (17) of section 381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended**
130 **to read:**

131 381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—

132 (17) Rules adopted pursuant to this section before July 1,
133 2025, are not subject to ss. 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541. This
134 subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

135 **Section 9. Effective July 1, 2025, upon the expiration and**
136 **reversion of the amendments made to subsection (1) of section 14**
137 **of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, pursuant to section 10 of**
138 **chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, and in order to implement**

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**Specific Appropriations 461 through 469A of the 2025-2026
General Appropriations Act, subsection (1) of section 14 of
chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:**

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

(1) EMERGENCY RULEMAKING.—

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

(b) For emergency rules adopted under this section, the
department and the applicable boards need not make the findings
required by s. 120.54(4)(a), Florida Statutes. Emergency rules
adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and
120.541, Florida Statutes. The department and the applicable

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boards shall meet the procedural requirements in s. 120.54(4)(a)
~~s. 120.54(a)~~, Florida Statutes, if the department or the
applicable boards have, before July 1, 2019 ~~the effective date~~
~~of this act~~, held any public workshops or hearings on the
subject matter of the emergency rules adopted under this
subsection. Challenges to emergency rules adopted under this
subsection are subject to the time schedules provided in s.
120.56(5), Florida Statutes.

(c) Emergency rules adopted under this section are exempt
from s. 120.54(4)(c), Florida Statutes, and shall remain in
effect until replaced by rules adopted under the nonemergency
rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedures Act.
Rules adopted under the nonemergency rulemaking procedures of
the Administrative Procedures Act to replace emergency rules
adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and
120.541, Florida Statutes. By July 1, 2026 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the
department and the applicable boards shall initiate nonemergency
rulemaking pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act to
replace all emergency rules adopted under this section by
publishing a notice of rule development in the Florida
Administrative Register. Except as provided in paragraph (a),
after July 1, 2026 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the department and
applicable boards may not adopt rules pursuant to the emergency
rulemaking procedures provided in this section.

Section 10. The amendments to subsection (1) of section 14

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of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, made by this act expire July 1, 2026, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 11. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 203, 204, 207, and 211 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement the federally approved Directed Payment Program for hospitals statewide providing inpatient and outpatient services to Medicaid managed care enrollees, the Indirect Medical Education (IME) Program, and a nursing workforce expansion and education program for certain institutions participating in a graduate medical education or nursing education program. For institutions participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education program, the budget amendment must identify the educational institutions partnering with the teaching hospital. Institutions participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education program shall provide quarterly reports to the agency detailing the number of nurses participating in the program. This section expires July 1, 2026.

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Section 12. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 204, 207, and 211 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement the federally approved Directed Payment Program and fee-for-service supplemental payments for cancer hospitals that meet the criteria in 42 U.S.C. s. 1395ww(d) (1) (B) (v). This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 13. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 197 through 225 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement the Low Income Pool component of the Florida Managed Medical Assistance Demonstration up to the total computable funds authorized by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The budget amendment must include the final terms and conditions of the Low Income Pool, a proposed distribution model by entity, and a listing of entities contributing intergovernmental transfers to support the state match required. In addition, for each entity included in the distribution model, a signed attestation must be provided that includes the charity care cost upon which the Low Income Pool payment is based and an acknowledgment that should the distribution result in an overpayment based on the Low

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Income Pool cost limit audit, the entity is responsible for returning that overpayment to the agency for return to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 14. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 210 and 211 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement fee-for-service supplemental payments and a directed payment program for physicians and subordinate licensed health care practitioners employed by or under contract with a Florida medical or dental school, or a public hospital. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 15. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 208, 211, and 223 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement a certified expenditure program for emergency medical transportation services. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 16. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 197 through 216 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement the Disproportionate

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Share Hospital Program. The budget amendment must include a proposed distribution model by entity and a listing of entities contributing intergovernmental transfers and certified public expenditures to support the state match required. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 17. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 203, 204, 207, 208, 210, 211, and 223 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (46) of section 408.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

408.07 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, with the exception of ss. 408.031-408.045, the term:

(46) "Teaching hospital" means any Florida hospital officially affiliated with an accredited Florida medical school which exhibits activity in the area of graduate medical education as reflected by at least seven different graduate medical education programs accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the Council on Postdoctoral Training of the American Osteopathic Association and the presence of 100 or more full-time equivalent resident physicians. The ~~Legislature~~ ~~Director of the Agency for Health Care Administration~~ shall be responsible for determining which hospitals meet this definition.

Section 18. The amendment to s. 408.07(46), Florida Statutes, made by this act expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30,

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289 2025, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than
290 by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the
291 extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions
292 of text which expire pursuant to this section.

293 **Section 19. In order to implement Specific Appropriations**
294 **203, 204, 207, 208, 210, 211, and 223 of the 2025-2026 General**
295 **Appropriations Act, subsection (12) and subsections (13) through**
296 **(28) of section 409.901, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as**
297 **subsection (14) and subsections (16) through (31), respectively,**
298 **and new subsections (12), (13), and (15) are added to that**
299 **section, to read:**

300 409.901 Definitions; ss. 409.901-409.920.—As used in ss.
301 409.901-409.920, except as otherwise specifically provided, the
302 term:

303 (12) "Hospital directed payment program" means a
304 supplemental payment program approved by the Centers for
305 Medicare and Medicaid Services to provide directed payments to
306 hospitals in an amount up to the total difference between
307 Medicaid reimbursement and costs of care for Medicaid
308 recipients. This subsection expires July 1, 2026.

309 (13) "Indirect graduate medical education program" means a
310 supplemental payment program approved by the Centers for
311 Medicare and Medicaid Services to provide payments directly to
312 eligible teaching hospitals based on the hospitals' indirect
313 graduate medical education costs for services provided. This

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subsection expires July 1, 2026.

(15) "Low Income Pool Program" means a supplemental payment program approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to provide payments directly to hospitals and other health care providers to reimburse hospitals and providers for the costs of uncompensated charity care for low-income individuals. This subsection expires July 1, 2026.

Section 20. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 203, 204, 207, 208, 210, 211, and 223 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (27) is added to section 409.908, Florida Statutes, to read:

409.908 Reimbursement of Medicaid providers.—Subject to specific appropriations, the agency shall reimburse Medicaid providers, in accordance with state and federal law, according to methodologies set forth in the rules of the agency and in policy manuals and handbooks incorporated by reference therein. These methodologies may include fee schedules, reimbursement methods based on cost reporting, negotiated fees, competitive bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, and other mechanisms the agency considers efficient and effective for purchasing services or goods on behalf of recipients. If a provider is reimbursed based on cost reporting and submits a cost report late and that cost report would have been used to set a lower reimbursement rate for a rate semester, then the provider's rate for that semester shall be retroactively calculated using the new cost report, and

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339 full payment at the recalculated rate shall be effected
340 retroactively. Medicare-granted extensions for filing cost
341 reports, if applicable, shall also apply to Medicaid cost
342 reports. Payment for Medicaid compensable services made on
343 behalf of Medicaid-eligible persons is subject to the
344 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
345 provided for in the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.
346 Further, nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent
347 or limit the agency from adjusting fees, reimbursement rates,
348 lengths of stay, number of visits, or number of services, or
349 making any other adjustments necessary to comply with the
350 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
351 provided for in the General Appropriations Act, provided the
352 adjustment is consistent with legislative intent.

353 (27) A teaching hospital's participation in the hospital
354 directed payment program and indirect graduate medical education
355 program, as defined in s. 409.901, is contingent on the
356 hospital's participation in the Low Income Pool Program, as
357 defined in s. 409.901. As used in this subsection, the term
358 "teaching hospital" has the same meaning as in s. 408.07 but
359 does not include a cancer hospital that meets the criteria in 42
360 U.S.C. s. 1395ww(d) (1) (B) (v), a public hospital, a medical
361 school physician practice, a federally qualified health center,
362 a rural health clinic, or a behavioral health provider. This
363 subsection expires July 1, 2026.

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Section 21. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 203, 204, 207, 208, 210, 211, and 223 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (a) of subsection (20) of section 409.910, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.910 Responsibility for payments on behalf of Medicaid-eligible persons when other parties are liable.—

(20) (a) Entities providing health insurance as defined in s. 624.603, health maintenance organizations and prepaid health clinics as defined in chapter 641, and, on behalf of their clients, third-party administrators, pharmacy benefits managers, and any other third parties, as defined in s. 409.901 ~~s. 409.901(27)~~, which are legally responsible for payment of a claim for a health care item or service as a condition of doing business in the state or providing coverage to residents of this state, shall provide such records and information as are necessary to accomplish the purpose of this section, unless such requirement results in an unreasonable burden.

Section 22. The amendment to s. 409.910(20) (a), Florida Statutes, made by this act expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2025, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

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203, 204, 207, 208, 210, 211, and 223 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, a hospital shall not be eligible to participate in the Low Income Pool Program, as defined in s. 409.901, if another hospital with fewer than 300 beds from the same affiliated health care system has closed or is scheduled to close between March 1, 2025, and January 31, 2026. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 24. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 250 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (2) of section 393.066, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

393.066 Community services and treatment.—

(2) Necessary services shall be purchased, rather than provided directly by the agency, when the purchase of services is more cost-efficient than providing them directly. All purchased services must be approved by the agency. ~~As a condition of payment and before billing,~~ Persons or entities under contract with the agency to provide services shall use agency data management systems to document service provision to clients or shall maintain such information in its own data management system and electronically transmit it to the agency data management system in an industry standard electronic format designated by the agency. The agency shall not require training on the use of agency data management systems by persons or entities that choose to maintain data in their own data management system provided that they electronically transmit

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414 required information in a format and frequency designated by the
415 agency and shall use such systems to bill for services.

416 Contracted persons and entities shall meet the minimum hardware
417 and software technical requirements established by the agency
418 for the use of such systems. Such persons or entities shall also
419 meet any requirements established by the agency for training and
420 professional development of staff providing direct services to
421 clients.

422 **Section 25.** The amendment to s. 393.066(2), Florida
423 Statutes, made by this act expires July 1, 2026, and the text of
424 that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30,
425 2025, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than
426 by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the
427 extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions
428 of text which expire pursuant to this section.

429 **Section 26.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
430 333 through 370 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and
431 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
432 Department of Children and Families may submit budget
433 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
434 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget
435 authority to support the following federal grant programs: the
436 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Grant Program, the Summer
437 Electronic Benefit Transfer, the American Rescue Plan Grant, the
438 State Opioid Response Grant, the Substance Use Prevention and

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439 Treatment Block Grant, and the Mental Health Block Grant. This
440 section expires July 1, 2026.

441 **Section 27.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
442 439 and 441 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and
443 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
444 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to
445 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,
446 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the
447 Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
448 (WIC) and the Child Care Food Program if additional federal
449 revenues will be expended in the 2025-2026 fiscal year. This
450 section expires July 1, 2026.

451 **Section 28.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
452 448 and 496 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and
453 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
454 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to
455 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,
456 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the HIV/AIDS
457 Prevention and Treatment Program if additional federal revenues
458 specific to HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment become available
459 in the 2025-2026 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2026.

460 **Section 29.** In order to implement Specific Appropriation
461 192 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act:

462 (1) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall
463 replace the current Florida Medicaid Management Information

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464 System (FMMIS) and fiscal agent operations with a system that is
465 modular, interoperable, and scalable for the Florida Medicaid
466 program that complies with all applicable federal and state laws
467 and requirements. The agency may not include in the program to
468 replace the current FMMIS and fiscal agent contract:

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

471 (b) Procurement for agency requirements external to
472 Medicaid programs with the intent to leverage the Medicaid
473 technology infrastructure for other purposes without legislative
474 appropriation or legislative authorization to procure these
475 requirements. The new system, the Florida Health Care Connection
476 (FX) system, must provide better integration with subsystems
477 supporting Florida's Medicaid program; uniformity, consistency,
478 and improved access to data; and compatibility with the Centers
479 for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Medicaid Information
480 Technology Architecture (MITA) as the system matures and expands
481 its functionality; or

482 (c) Any contract executed after July 1, 2022, not
483 including staff augmentation services purchased off the
484 Department of Management Services Information Technology staff
485 augmentation state term contract that are not deliverables based
486 fixed price contracts.

487 (2) For purposes of replacing FMMIS and the current
488 Medicaid fiscal agent, the Agency for Health Care Administration

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489 shall:

490 (a) Prioritize procurements for the replacement of the
491 current functions of FMMIS and the responsibilities of the
492 current Medicaid fiscal agent, to minimize the need to extend
493 all or portions of the current fiscal agent contract.

494 (b) Comply with and not exceed the Centers for Medicare
495 and Medicaid Services funding authorizations for the FX system.

496 (c) Ensure compliance and uniformity with the published
497 MITA framework and guidelines.

498 (d) Ensure that all business requirements and technical
499 specifications have been provided to all affected state agencies
500 for their review and input and approved by the executive
501 steering committee established in paragraph (h).

502 (e) Consult with the Executive Office of the Governor's
503 working group for interagency information technology integration
504 for the development of competitive solicitations that provide
505 for data interoperability and shared information technology
506 services across the state's health and human services agencies.

507 (f) Implement a data governance structure for the program
508 to coordinate data sharing and interoperability across state
509 health care entities.

510 (g) Establish a continuing oversight team for each
511 contract pursuant to s. 287.057(26). The teams must provide
512 quarterly reports to the executive steering committee
513 summarizing the status of the contract, the pace of

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deliverables, the quality of deliverables, contractor
responsiveness, and contractor performance.

(h) Implement a program governance structure that includes
an executive steering committee composed of:

1. The Secretary of Health Care Administration, or the
executive sponsor of the program.

2. A representative of the Division of Health Care Finance
and Data of the Agency for Health Care Administration, appointed
by the Secretary of Health Care Administration.

3. Two representatives from the Division of Medicaid
Policy, Quality, and Operations of the Agency for Health Care
Administration, appointed by the Secretary of Health Care
Administration.

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

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

6. The Chief Information Officer of the Agency for Health
Care Administration, or his or her designee.

(3)(a) The Secretary of Health Care Administration or the
executive sponsor of the program shall serve as chair of the
executive steering committee, and the committee shall take

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action by a vote of at least 5 affirmative votes with the chair voting on the prevailing side. A quorum of the executive steering committee consists of at least 5 members.

(b)1. The chair shall establish a program finance and contracting working group composed of:

a. The FX program director.

b. A representative from the agency's Office of the General Counsel.

c. A representative from the agency's Division of Administration.

d. Representatives from each continuing oversight team.

e. The FX program strategic roadmap manager.

f. The FX program project managers.

g. The FX program risk manager.

h. Any other personnel deemed necessary by the chair.

2. The working group shall meet at least monthly to review the program status and all contract and program operations, policies, risks and issues related to the budget, spending plans and contractual obligations, and shall develop recommendations to the executive steering committee for improvement. The working group shall review all change requests that impact the program's scope, schedule, or budget related to contract management and vendor payments and submit those recommended for adoption to the executive steering committee. The chair shall request input from the working group on agenda items for each scheduled meeting.

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The program shall make available program staff to the group, as needed, for the group to fulfill its duties.

(c)1. The chair shall establish a state agency stakeholder working group composed of:

a. The executive sponsor of the FX program.

b. A representative of the Department of Children and Families, appointed by the Secretary of Children and Families.

c. A representative of the Department of Health, appointed by the State Surgeon General.

d. A representative of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, appointed by the director of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities.

e. A representative from the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation.

f. A representative from the Department of Elder Affairs, appointed by the Secretary of Elder Affairs.

g. The state chief information officer, or his or her designee.

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

2. The working group shall meet at least quarterly to review the program status and all program operations, policies, risks and issues that may impact the operations external to the

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589 Agency for Health Care Administration FX program, and shall
590 develop recommendations to the executive steering committee for
591 improvement. The chair shall request input from the working
592 group on agenda items for each scheduled meeting. The program
593 shall make available program staff to the group to provide
594 system demonstrations and any program documentation, as needed,
595 for the group to fulfill its duties.

596 (4) The executive steering committee has the overall
597 responsibility for ensuring that the program to replace FMMIS
598 and the Medicaid fiscal agent meets its primary business
599 objectives and shall:

600 (a) Identify and recommend to the Executive Office of the
601 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
602 House of Representatives any statutory changes needed to
603 implement the modular replacement to standardize, to the fullest
604 extent possible, the state's health care data and business
605 processes.

606 (b) Review and approve any changes to the program's scope,
607 schedule, and budget.

608 (c) Review and approve any changes to the program's
609 strategic roadmap.

610 (d) Review and approve change requests that impact the
611 program's scope, schedule, or budget recommended for adoption by
612 the program finance and contracting working group.

613 (e) Review recommendations provided by the program working

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615 (f) Review vendor scorecards, reports, and notifications
616 produced by the continuing oversight teams.

617 (g) Ensure that adequate resources are provided throughout
618 all phases of the program.

619 (h) Approve all major program deliverables.

620 (i) Review and verify that all procurement and contractual
621 documents associated with the replacement of the current FMMIS
622 and Medicaid fiscal agent align with the scope, schedule, and
623 anticipated budget for the program.

624 (5) This section expires July 1, 2026.

625 **Section 30.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
626 211, 212, 262, 272, 328, 474, and 496 of the 2025-2026 General
627 Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration,
628 in consultation with the Department of Health, the Agency for
629 Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Children and
630 Families, and the Department of Corrections, shall competitively
631 procure a contract with a vendor to negotiate, for these
632 agencies, prices for prescribed drugs and biological products
633 excluded from the programs established under s. 381.02035,
634 Florida Statutes, and ineligible under 21 U.S.C. s. 384,
635 including, but not limited to, insulin and epinephrine. The
636 contract may allow the vendor to directly purchase these
637 products for participating agencies when feasible and
638 advantageous. The contracted vendor will be compensated on a

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contingency basis, paid from a portion of the savings achieved by its price negotiation or purchase of the prescription drugs and products. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 31. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 254, 260, 261, 265, 270, and 271 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to transfer funding from the Salaries and Benefits appropriation categories to categories used for contractual services in order to support additional staff augmentation resources needed at the Developmental Disability Centers. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 32. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 219 and 242 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, at least 3 days before the effective date of the action to increase budget authority to support the implementation of the home and community-based services Medicaid waiver program of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. This section expires July 1, 2026.

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Section 33. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 557 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding chapter 216, Florida Statutes, the Department of Veterans' Affairs may submit a budget amendment, subject to Legislative Budget Commission approval, requesting the authority to establish positions in excess of the number authorized by the Legislature, increase appropriations from the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund, or provide necessary salary rate sufficient to provide for essential staff for veterans' nursing homes, if the department projects that additional direct care staff are needed to meet its established staffing ratio. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 34. **In order to implement Specific Appropriation 211 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (1) of section 409.915, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

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

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

(b) The term does not include funds specially assessed by any local governmental entity and used as the nonfederal share

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for the hospital directed payment program after July 1, 2021.
This paragraph expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 35. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 359, 361, 362, 363, and 370A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (c) of subsection (9) of section 394.9082, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

394.9082 Behavioral health managing entities.—

(9) FUNDING FOR MANAGING ENTITIES.—

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), for ~~the 2023-2024~~
~~fiscal year and the 2024-2025 fiscal year~~ and the 2025-2026
fiscal year, a managing entity may carry forward documented
unexpended funds appropriated from the State Opioid Settlement
Trust Fund from one fiscal year to the next. Funds carried
forward pursuant to this paragraph are not included in the 8
percent cumulative cap that may be carried forward. This
paragraph expires July 1, 2026 ~~July 1, 2025~~.

Section 36. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 584 through 668 and 692 through 723 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 216.262, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.262 Authorized positions.—

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter
relating to increasing the number of authorized positions, and
for the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year only, if the actual
inmate population of the Department of Corrections exceeds the

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714 inmate population projections of the February 21, 2025 ~~December~~
715 ~~15, 2023~~, Criminal Justice Estimating Conference by 1 percent
716 for 2 consecutive months or 2 percent for any month, the
717 Executive Office of the Governor, with the approval of the
718 Legislative Budget Commission, shall immediately notify the
719 Criminal Justice Estimating Conference, which shall convene as
720 soon as possible to revise the estimates. The Department of
721 Corrections may then submit a budget amendment requesting the
722 establishment of positions in excess of the number authorized by
723 the Legislature and additional appropriations from unallocated
724 general revenue sufficient to provide for essential staff, fixed
725 capital improvements, and other resources to provide
726 classification, security, food services, health services, and
727 other variable expenses within the institutions to accommodate
728 the estimated increase in the inmate population. All actions
729 taken pursuant to this subsection are subject to review and
730 approval by the Legislative Budget Commission. This subsection
731 expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

732 **Section 37. In order to implement Specific Appropriations**
733 **2956 through 3018A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act,**
734 **subsection (2) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended**
735 **to read:**

736 215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

737 (2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may receive one
738 or more trust fund loans to ensure that the state court system

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has funds sufficient to meet its appropriations in the 2025-2026
~~2024-2025~~ General Appropriations Act. If the Chief Justice
accesses the loan, he or she must notify the Governor and the
chairs of the legislative appropriations committees in writing.
The loan must come from other funds in the State Treasury which
are for the time being or otherwise in excess of the amounts
necessary to meet the just requirements of such last-mentioned
funds. The Governor shall order the transfer of funds within 5
days after the written notification from the Chief Justice. If
the Governor does not order the transfer, the Chief Financial
Officer shall transfer the requested funds. The loan of funds
from which any money is temporarily transferred must be repaid
by the end of the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year. This
subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 38. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1051 through 1061 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act:

(1) The Department of Juvenile Justice is required to
review county juvenile detention payments to ensure that
counties fulfill their financial responsibilities required in s.
985.6865, Florida Statutes. If the Department of Juvenile
Justice determines that a county has not met its obligations,
the department shall direct the Department of Revenue to deduct
the amount owed to the Department of Juvenile Justice from the
funds provided to the county under s. 218.23, Florida Statutes.
The Department of Revenue shall transfer the funds withheld to

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the Shared County/State Juvenile Detention Trust Fund.

(2) As an assurance to holders of bonds issued by counties before July 1, 2025, for which distributions made pursuant to s. 218.23, Florida Statutes, are pledged, or bonds issued to refund such bonds which mature no later than the bonds they refunded and which result in a reduction of debt service payable in each fiscal year, the amount available for distribution to a county shall remain as provided by law and continue to be subject to any lien or claim on behalf of the bondholders. The Department of Revenue must ensure, based on information provided by an affected county, that any reduction in amounts distributed pursuant to subsection (1) does not reduce the amount of distribution to a county below the amount necessary for the timely payment of principal and interest when due on the bonds and the amount necessary to comply with any covenant under the bond resolution or other documents relating to the issuance of the bonds. If a reduction to a county's monthly distribution must be decreased in order to comply with this section, the Department of Revenue must notify the Department of Juvenile Justice of the amount of the decrease, and the Department of Juvenile Justice must send a bill for payment of such amount to the affected county.

(3) This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 39. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 733 through 754, 880 through 1002A, and 1020 through 1050A of

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789 **the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding**
790 **the expiration date in section 41 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of**
791 **Florida, subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (2),**
792 **paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsections (5), (6), and**
793 **(7) of section 27.40, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:**

794 27.40 Court-appointed counsel; circuit registries; minimum
795 requirements; appointment by court.—

796 (1) Counsel shall be appointed to represent any individual
797 in a criminal or civil proceeding entitled to court-appointed
798 counsel under the Federal or State Constitution or as authorized
799 by general law. The court shall appoint a public defender to
800 represent indigent persons as authorized in s. 27.51. The office
801 of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall be
802 appointed to represent persons in those cases in which provision
803 is made for court-appointed counsel, but only after the public
804 defender has certified to the court in writing that the public
805 defender is unable to provide representation due to a conflict
806 of interest or is not authorized to provide representation. The
807 public defender shall report, in the aggregate, the specific
808 basis of all conflicts of interest certified to the court. On a
809 quarterly basis, the public defender shall submit this
810 information to the Justice Administrative Commission.

811 (2)(a) Private counsel shall be appointed to represent
812 persons in those cases in which provision is made for court-
813 appointed counsel but only after the office of criminal conflict

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and civil regional counsel has been appointed and has certified to the court in writing that the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel is unable to provide representation due to a conflict of interest. The criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall report, in the aggregate, the specific basis of all conflicts of interest certified to the court. On a quarterly basis, the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall submit this information to the Justice Administrative Commission.

(3) In using a registry:

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

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

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

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

To be included on a registry, an attorney must enter into a contract for services with the Justice Administrative

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Commission. Failure to comply with the terms of the contract for services may result in termination of the contract and removal from the registry. Each attorney on the registry is responsible for notifying the clerk of the court and the Justice Administrative Commission of any change in his or her status. Failure to comply with this requirement is cause for termination of the contract for services and removal from the registry until the requirement is fulfilled.

(5) The Justice Administrative Commission shall approve uniform contract forms for use in procuring the services of private court-appointed counsel and uniform procedures and forms for use by a court-appointed attorney in support of billing for attorney's fees, costs, and related expenses to demonstrate the attorney's completion of specified duties. Such uniform contracts and forms for use in billing must be consistent with s. 27.5304, s. 216.311, and the General Appropriations Act and must contain the following statement: "The State of Florida's performance and obligation to pay under this contract is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature."

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

(7)(a) A private attorney appointed by the court from the registry to represent a client is entitled to payment as

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provided in s. 27.5304 so long as the requirements of subsection (1) and paragraph (2)(a) are met. An attorney appointed by the court who is not on the registry list may be compensated under s. 27.5304 only if the court finds in the order of appointment that there were no registry attorneys available for representation for that case and only if the requirements of subsection (1) and paragraph (2)(a) are met.

(b)1. The flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the General Appropriations Act shall be presumed by the court to be sufficient compensation. The attorney shall maintain appropriate documentation, including contemporaneous and detailed hourly accounting of time spent representing the client. If the attorney fails to maintain such contemporaneous and detailed hourly records, the attorney waives the right to seek compensation in excess of the flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the General Appropriations Act. These records and documents are subject to review by the Justice Administrative Commission and audit by the Auditor General, subject to the attorney-client privilege and work-product privilege. The attorney shall maintain the records and documents in a manner that enables the attorney to redact any information subject to a privilege in order to facilitate the commission's review of the records and documents and not to impede such review. The attorney may redact information from the records and documents only to the extent necessary to comply with the privilege. The Justice

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Administrative Commission shall review such records and shall contemporaneously document such review before authorizing payment to an attorney. Objections by or on behalf of the Justice Administrative Commission to records or documents or to claims for payment by the attorney shall be presumed correct by the court unless the court determines, in writing, that competent and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the presumption.

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

3. A finding by the commission that an attorney has waived the right to seek compensation in excess of the flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the General Appropriations Act, as provided in this paragraph, shall be presumed to be correct, unless the court determines, in writing, that competent and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the presumption.

Section 40. The text of s. 27.40(1), (2)(a), (3)(a), (5), (6), and (7), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2019-116, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2026, and the text of those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable,

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shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 41. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 733 through 754, 880 through 1002A, and 1020 through 1050A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 43 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, subsection (13) of section 27.5304, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsections (1), (3), (6), (7), and (11), and paragraphs (a) through (e) of subsection (12) of that section are reenacted, to read:

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

(1) Private court-appointed counsel appointed in the manner prescribed in s. 27.40(1) and (2)(a) shall be compensated by the Justice Administrative Commission only as provided in this section and the General Appropriations Act. The flat fees prescribed in this section are limitations on compensation. The specific flat fee amounts for compensation shall be established annually in the General Appropriations Act. The attorney also shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses in accordance with s. 29.007. If the attorney is representing a defendant charged with more than one offense in the same case,

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the attorney shall be compensated at the rate provided for the most serious offense for which he or she represented the defendant. This section does not allow stacking of the fee limits established by this section.

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

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

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

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

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2. Counsel may bill the annual flat fee not exceeding \$700 following the first judicial review in the second year following the date of appointment and each year thereafter as long as the case remains under protective supervision.

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

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

(b) At the trial level, compensation for representation in termination of parental rights proceedings shall not exceed \$1,800 for the first year following the date of appointment and shall not exceed \$700 each year thereafter. Compensation shall be paid based upon representation of a parent irrespective of the number of case numbers that may be assigned or the number of children involved, including any children born during the pendency of the proceeding. Any appeal, except for an appeal from an order granting or denying termination of parental rights, shall be completed by trial counsel and is considered compensated by the flat fee for termination of parental rights

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proceedings. If the individual has dependency proceedings ongoing as to other children, those proceedings are considered part of the termination of parental rights proceedings as long as that termination of parental rights proceeding is ongoing.

1. Counsel may bill the flat fee not exceeding \$1,800 30 days after rendition of the final order. Each request for payment submitted to the Justice Administrative Commission must include the trial counsel's certification that:

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

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

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

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

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

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

(d) For an appeal from an adjudication of termination of

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parental rights, compensation may not exceed \$3,500.

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

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

(7) Counsel eligible to receive compensation from the state for representation pursuant to court appointment made in accordance with the requirements of s. 27.40(1) and (2)(a) in a proceeding under chapter 384, chapter 390, chapter 392, chapter 393, chapter 394, chapter 397, chapter 415, chapter 743, chapter 744, or chapter 984 shall receive compensation not to exceed the limits prescribed in the General Appropriations Act. Any such compensation must be determined as provided in s. 27.40(7).

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

(a) If court-appointed counsel moves to withdraw prior to the full performance of his or her duties through the completion

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of the case, the court shall presume that the attorney is not entitled to the payment of the full flat fee established under this section and the General Appropriations Act.

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

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

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

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

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

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1064 2. The Justice Administrative Commission shall review the
1065 billings, affidavit, and documentation for completeness and
1066 compliance with contractual and statutory requirements and shall
1067 contemporaneously document such review before authorizing
1068 payment to an attorney. If the Justice Administrative Commission
1069 objects to any portion of the proposed billing, the objection
1070 and supporting reasons must be communicated in writing to the
1071 private court-appointed counsel. The counsel may thereafter file
1072 his or her motion, which must specify whether the commission
1073 objects to any portion of the billing or the sufficiency of
1074 documentation, and shall attach the commission's letter stating
1075 its objection.

1076 (b) Following receipt of the motion to exceed the fee
1077 limits, the chief judge or a single designee shall hold an
1078 evidentiary hearing. The chief judge may select only one judge
1079 per circuit to hear and determine motions pursuant to this
1080 subsection, except multicounty circuits and the eleventh circuit
1081 may have up to two designees.

1082 1. At the hearing, the attorney seeking compensation must
1083 prove by competent and substantial evidence that the case
1084 required extraordinary and unusual efforts. The chief judge or
1085 single designee shall consider criteria such as the number of
1086 witnesses, the complexity of the factual and legal issues, and
1087 the length of trial. The fact that a trial was conducted in a
1088 case does not, by itself, constitute competent substantial

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1089 evidence of an extraordinary and unusual effort. In a criminal
1090 case, relief under this section may not be granted if the number
1091 of work hours does not exceed 75 or the number of the state's
1092 witnesses deposed does not exceed 20.

1093 2. Objections by or on behalf of the Justice
1094 Administrative Commission to records or documents or to claims
1095 for payment by the attorney shall be presumed correct by the
1096 court unless the court determines, in writing, that competent
1097 and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the
1098 presumption. The chief judge or single designee shall enter a
1099 written order detailing his or her findings and identifying the
1100 extraordinary nature of the time and efforts of the attorney in
1101 the case which warrant exceeding the flat fee established by
1102 this section and the General Appropriations Act.

1103 (c) A copy of the motion and attachments shall be served
1104 on the Justice Administrative Commission at least 20 business
1105 days before the date of a hearing. The Justice Administrative
1106 Commission has standing to appear before the court, and may
1107 appear in person or telephonically, including at the hearing
1108 under paragraph (b), to contest any motion for an order
1109 approving payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses
1110 and may participate in a hearing on the motion by use of
1111 telephonic or other communication equipment. The Justice
1112 Administrative Commission may contract with other public or
1113 private entities or individuals to appear before the court for

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1114 the purpose of contesting any motion for an order approving
1115 payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses. The fact
1116 that the Justice Administrative Commission has not objected to
1117 any portion of the billing or to the sufficiency of the
1118 documentation is not binding on the court.

1119 (d) If the chief judge or a single designee finds that
1120 counsel has proved by competent and substantial evidence that
1121 the case required extraordinary and unusual efforts, the chief
1122 judge or single designee shall order the compensation to be paid
1123 to the attorney at a percentage above the flat fee rate,
1124 depending on the extent of the unusual and extraordinary effort
1125 required. The percentage must be only the rate necessary to
1126 ensure that the fees paid are not confiscatory under common law.
1127 The percentage may not exceed 200 percent of the established
1128 flat fee, absent a specific finding that 200 percent of the flat
1129 fee in the case would be confiscatory. If the chief judge or
1130 single designee determines that 200 percent of the flat fee
1131 would be confiscatory, he or she shall order the amount of
1132 compensation using an hourly rate not to exceed \$75 per hour for
1133 a noncapital case and \$100 per hour for a capital case. However,
1134 the compensation calculated by using the hourly rate shall be
1135 only that amount necessary to ensure that the total fees paid
1136 are not confiscatory, subject to the requirements of s.
1137 27.40(7).

1138 (e) Any order granting relief under this subsection must

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

(13) Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in subsection (5) and for the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year only, the compensation for representation in a criminal proceeding may not exceed the following:

(a) For misdemeanors and juveniles represented at the trial level: \$2,000.

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

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

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

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

(f) This subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 42. The text of s. 27.5304(1), (3), (7), (11), and (12)(a)-(e), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2019-116, Laws of Florida, and the text of s. 27.5304(6), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, by this act, expire July 1, 2026, and the text of those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable, shall revert to

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that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 43. In order to implement appropriations used to pay existing lease contracts for private lease space in excess of 2,000 square feet in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Department of Management Services, with the cooperation of the agencies having the existing lease contracts for office or storage space, shall use tenant broker services to renegotiate or reprocure all private lease agreements for office or storage space expiring between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2027, in order to reduce costs in future years. The department shall incorporate this initiative into its 2024 master leasing report required under s. 255.249(7), Florida Statutes, and may use tenant broker services to explore the possibilities of collocating office or storage space, to review the space needs of each agency, and to review the length and terms of potential renewals or renegotiations. The department shall provide a report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 1, 2025, which lists each lease contract for private office or storage space, the status of renegotiations, and the savings achieved. This section expires July 1, 2026.

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Section 44. In order to implement appropriations authorized in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act for data center services, and notwithstanding s. 216.292(2)(a), Florida Statutes, an agency may not transfer funds from a data processing category to a category other than another data processing category. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 45. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Risk Management Insurance" in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in that category between departments in order to align the budget authority granted with the premiums paid by each department for risk management insurance. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 46. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Transfer to Department of Management Services-Human Resources Services Purchased per Statewide Contract" in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in that category between departments in order to align the budget authority granted with the assessments that must be paid by each agency to the Department of Management Services for

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human resource management services. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 47. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2602 in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act in the Building Relocation appropriation category from the Architects Incidental Trust Fund of the Department of Management Services, and in accordance with s. 215.196, Florida Statutes:

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

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

(3) This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 48. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2217 through 2220B of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act:

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1239 (1) The Department of Financial Services shall replace the
1240 four main components of the Florida Accounting Information
1241 Resource Subsystem (FLAIR), which include central FLAIR,
1242 departmental FLAIR, payroll, and information warehouse, and
1243 shall replace the cash management and accounting management
1244 components of the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS) with an
1245 integrated enterprise system that allows the state to organize,
1246 define, and standardize its financial management business
1247 processes and that complies with ss. 215.90-215.96, Florida
1248 Statutes. The department may not include in the replacement of
1249 FLAIR and CMS:

1250 (a) Functionality that duplicates any of the other
1251 information subsystems of the Florida Financial Management
1252 Information System; or

1253 (b) Agency business processes related to any of the
1254 functions included in the Personnel Information System, the
1255 Purchasing Subsystem, or the Legislative Appropriations
1256 System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem.

1257 (2) For purposes of replacing FLAIR and CMS, the
1258 Department of Financial Services shall:

1259 (a) Take into consideration the cost and implementation
1260 data identified for Option 3 as recommended in the March 31,
1261 2014, Florida Department of Financial Services FLAIR Study,
1262 version 031.

1263 (b) Ensure that all business requirements and technical

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

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

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

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

3. The Chief Information Officers of the Department of Financial Services and the Department of Environmental Protection.

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

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

6. One employee from the Department of Revenue, appointed by the executive director, who has experience using or

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maintaining the department's finance and accounting systems.

7. Two employees from the Department of Management Services, appointed by the Secretary of Management Services. One employee must have experience relating to the department's personnel information subsystem and one employee must have experience relating to the department's purchasing subsystem.

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

9. Two employees from the Agency for Health Care Administration. One employee shall be the executive sponsor of the Florida Health Care Connection (FX) System or his or her designee, appointed by the Secretary of Health Care Administration, and one employee shall be the Deputy Secretary for Operations or his or her designee.

10. The State Chief Information Officer, or his or her designee, as a nonvoting member. The State Chief Information Officer, or his or her designee, shall provide monthly status reports to the executive steering committee pursuant to the oversight responsibilities in s. 282.0051, Florida Statutes.

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

12. One employee from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission who has experience using or maintaining

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1314 the commission's finance and accounting systems, appointed by
1315 the Chair of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1316 Commission.

1317 13. The budget director of the Department of Education, or
1318 his or her designee.

1319 (3) (a) The Chief Financial Officer or the executive
1320 sponsor of the project shall serve as chair of the executive
1321 steering committee, and the committee shall take action by a
1322 vote of at least eight affirmative votes with the Chief
1323 Financial Officer or the executive sponsor of the project voting
1324 on the prevailing side. A quorum of the executive steering
1325 committee consists of at least 10 members.

1326 (b) No later than 14 days before a meeting of the
1327 executive steering committee, the chair shall request input from
1328 committee members on agenda items for the next scheduled
1329 meeting.

1330 (c) The chair shall establish a working group consisting
1331 of FLAIR users, state agency technical staff who maintain
1332 applications that integrate with FLAIR, and no less than four
1333 state agency finance and accounting or budget directors. The
1334 working group shall meet at least monthly to review PALM
1335 functionality, assess project impacts to state financial
1336 business processes and agency staff, and develop recommendations
1337 to the executive steering committee for improvements. The chair
1338 shall request input from the working group on agenda items for

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1339 each scheduled meeting. The PALM project team shall dedicate a
1340 staff member to the group and provide system demonstrations and
1341 any project documentation, as needed, for the group to fulfill
1342 its duties.

1343 (d) The chair shall request all agency project sponsors to
1344 provide bimonthly status reports to the executive steering
1345 committee. The form and format of the bimonthly status reports
1346 shall be developed by the Florida PALM project and provided to
1347 the executive steering committee meeting for approval. Such
1348 agency status reports shall provide information to the executive
1349 steering committee on the activities and ongoing work within the
1350 agency to prepare their systems and impacted employees for the
1351 deployment of the Florida PALM System. The first bimonthly
1352 status report is due September 1, 2025, and bimonthly
1353 thereafter.

1354 (4) The executive steering committee has the overall
1355 responsibility for ensuring that the project to replace FLAIR
1356 and CMS meets its primary business objectives and shall:

1357 (a) Identify and recommend to the Executive Office of the
1358 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
1359 House of Representatives any statutory changes needed to
1360 implement the replacement subsystem that will standardize, to
1361 the fullest extent possible, the state's financial management
1362 business processes.

1363 (b) Review and approve any changes to the project's scope,

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1364 schedule, and budget which do not conflict with the requirements
1365 of subsection (1).

1366 (c) Ensure that adequate resources are provided throughout
1367 all phases of the project.

1368 (d) Approve all major project deliverables and any cost
1369 changes to each deliverable over \$250,000.

1370 (e) Approve contract amendments and changes to all
1371 contract-related documents associated with the replacement of
1372 FLAIR and CMS.

1373 (f) Review, and approve as warranted, the format of the
1374 bimonthly agency status reports to include meaningful
1375 information on each agency's progress in planning for the
1376 Florida PALM Major Implementation, covering the agency's people,
1377 processes, technology, and data transformation activities.

1378 (g) Ensure compliance with ss. 216.181(16), 216.311,
1379 216.313, 282.318(4) (h), and 287.058, Florida Statutes.

1380 (5) This section expires July 1, 2026.

1381 **Section 49. In order to implement Specific Appropriation**
1382 **2698 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and**
1383 **notwithstanding the expiration date in section 53 of chapter**
1384 **2024-228, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 282.709,**
1385 **Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:**

1386 282.709 State agency law enforcement radio system and
1387 interoperability network.—

1388 (3) In recognition of the critical nature of the statewide

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1389 law enforcement radio communications system, the Legislature
1390 finds that there is an immediate danger to the public health,
1391 safety, and welfare, and that it is in the best interest of the
1392 state to continue partnering with the system's current operator.
1393 The Legislature finds that continuity of coverage is critical to
1394 supporting law enforcement, first responders, and other public
1395 safety users. The potential for a loss in coverage or a lack of
1396 interoperability between users requires emergency action and is
1397 a serious concern for officers' safety and their ability to
1398 communicate and respond to various disasters and events.

1399 (a) The department, pursuant to s. 287.057(11), shall
1400 enter into a 15-year contract with the entity that was operating
1401 the statewide radio communications system on January 1, 2021.

1402 The contract must include:

- 1403 1. The purchase of radios;
- 1404 2. The upgrade to the Project 25 communications standard;
- 1405 3. Increased system capacity and enhanced coverage for
1406 system users;
- 1407 4. Operations, maintenance, and support at a fixed annual
1408 rate;
- 1409 5. The conveyance of communications towers to the
1410 department; and
- 1411 6. The assignment of communications tower leases to the
1412 department.

1413 (b) The State Agency Law Enforcement Radio System Trust

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

Section 50. The text of s. 282.709(3), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2021-37, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 1, 2021, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 51. In order to implement appropriations relating to the purchase of equipment and services related to the Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS) as authorized in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s. 287.057, Florida Statutes, state agencies and other eligible users of the SLERS network may use the Department of Management Services SLERS contract for purchase of equipment and services.

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1439 This section expires July 1, 2026.

1440 **Section 52.** In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1441 2616 through 2626 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act,
1442 and notwithstanding rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code,
1443 the transaction fee as identified in s. 287.057(24)(c), Florida
1444 Statutes, shall be collected for use of the online procurement
1445 system and is 0.7 percent for the 2025-2026 fiscal year only.

1446 This section expires July 1, 2026.

1447 **Section 53. In order to implement Specific Appropriations**
1448 **2542 through 2564 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act,**
1449 **and upon the expiration and reversion of the amendments made by**
1450 **section 57 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, paragraph (i)**
1451 **of subsection (9) of section 24.105, Florida Statutes, is**
1452 **amended to read:**

1453 24.105 Powers and duties of department.—The department
1454 shall:

1455 (9) Adopt rules governing the establishment and operation
1456 of the state lottery, including:

1457 (i) The manner and amount of compensation of retailers,
1458 except for the 2025-2026 fiscal year only, effective July 1,
1459 2025, the commission for lottery ticket sales shall be 6 percent
1460 of the purchase price of each ticket sold or issued as a prize
1461 by a retailer. Any additional retailer compensation is limited
1462 to the Florida Lottery Retailer Bonus Commission program
1463 appropriated in Specific Appropriation 2834 of the 2025-2026

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Section 54. The amendment to s. 24.105(9)(i), Florida Statutes, made by this act expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 55. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2733 through 2740A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (11) of subsection (6) of section 627.351, Florida Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans.—

(6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION.—

(11)1. In addition to any other method of alternative dispute resolution authorized by state law, the corporation may adopt policy forms that provide for the resolution of disputes regarding its claim determinations, including disputes regarding coverage for, or the scope and value of, a claim, in a proceeding before the Division of Administrative Hearings. Any such policies are not subject to s. 627.70154. All proceedings in the Division of Administrative Hearings pursuant to such policies are subject to ss. 57.105 and 768.79 as if filed in the courts of this state and are not considered chapter 120 administrative proceedings. Rule 1.442, Florida Rules of Civil

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Procedure, applies to any offer served pursuant to s. 768.79, except that, notwithstanding any provision in Rule 1.442, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, to the contrary, an offer shall not be served earlier than 10 days after filing the request for hearing with the Division of Administrative Hearings and shall not be served later than 10 days before the date set for the final hearing. The administrative law judge in such proceedings shall award attorney fees and other relief pursuant to ss. 57.105 and 768.79. The corporation may not seek, and the office may not approve, a maximum hourly rate for attorney fees.

2. The corporation may contract with the division to conduct proceedings to resolve disputes regarding its claim determinations as may be provided for in the applicable policies of insurance. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2026 2025.

Section 56. Effective upon this act becoming law, and in order to implement Specific Appropriations 2665 through 2671A of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, notwithstanding the proviso language for Specific Appropriation 2966 in chapter 2023-239, Laws of Florida, section 110.116, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

110.116 Personnel information system; payroll procedures.—

(1) The Department of Management Services shall establish and maintain, in coordination with the payroll system of the Department of Financial Services, a complete personnel information system for all authorized and established positions

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1514 in the state service, with the exception of employees of the
1515 Legislature, unless the Legislature chooses to participate. The
1516 department may contract with a vendor to provide the personnel
1517 information system. The specifications shall be developed in
1518 conjunction with the payroll system of the Department of
1519 Financial Services and in coordination with the Auditor General.
1520 The Department of Financial Services shall determine that the
1521 position occupied by each employee has been authorized and
1522 established in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.251. The
1523 Department of Management Services shall develop and maintain a
1524 position numbering system that will identify each established
1525 position, and such information shall be a part of the payroll
1526 system of the Department of Financial Services. With the
1527 exception of employees of the Legislature, unless the
1528 Legislature chooses to participate, this system shall include
1529 all career service positions and those positions exempted from
1530 career service provisions, notwithstanding the funding source of
1531 the salary payments, and information regarding persons receiving
1532 payments from other sources. Necessary revisions shall be made
1533 in the personnel and payroll procedures of the state to avoid
1534 duplication insofar as is feasible. A list shall be organized by
1535 budget entity to show the employees or vacant positions within
1536 each budget entity. This list shall be available to the Speaker
1537 of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate
1538 upon request.

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(2) In recognition of the critical nature of the statewide personnel and payroll system commonly known as People First, the Legislature finds that it is in the best interest of the state to continue partnering with the current People First third-party operator. The People First System annually processes 500,000 employment applications, 455,000 personnel actions, and the state's \$9.5-billion payroll. The Legislature finds that the continuity of operations of the People First System and the critical functions it provides such as payroll, employee health insurance benefit records, and other critical services must not be interrupted. Presently, the Chief Financial Officer is undertaking the development of a new statewide accounting and financial management system, commonly known as the Planning, Accounting, and Ledger Management (PALM) system, scheduled to be operational in the year 2026. The procurement and implementation of an entire replacement of the People First System will impede the timeframe needed to successfully integrate the state's payroll system with the PALM system. In order to maintain continuity of operations and to ensure the successful completion of the PALM system, the Legislature directs that:

(a) The department, pursuant to s. 287.057(11), shall enter into a 3-year contract extension with the entity operating the People First System on January 1, 2024. The contract extension must:

1. Provide for the integration of the current People First

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System with PALM.

2. Exclude major functionality updates or changes to the People First System prior to completion of the PALM system. This does not include:

a. Routine system maintenance such as code updates following open enrollment; or

b. The technical remediation necessary to integrate the system with PALM within the PALM project's planned implementation schedule.

3. Include project planning and analysis deliverables necessary to:

a. Detail and document the state's functional requirements.

b. Estimate the cost of transitioning the current People First System to a cloud computing infrastructure within the contract extension and after the successful integration with PALM. The project cost evaluation shall estimate the annual cost and capacity growth required to host the system in a cloud environment.

The department shall develop these system specifications in conjunction with the Department of Financial Services and the Auditor General.

4. Include technical support for state agencies that may need assistance in remediating or integrating current financial

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shadow systems with People First in order to integrate with PALM or the cloud version of People First.

5. Include organizational change management and training deliverables needed to support the implementation of PALM payroll functionality and the People First System cloud upgrade. Responsibilities of the operator and the department shall be outlined in a project role and responsibility assignment chart within the contract.

6. Include an option to renew the contract for one additional year.

(b) The department shall submit, no later than June 30, 2026, its project planning and detailed cost estimate to upgrade the current People First System to the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the chair of the House of Representatives ~~Budget Appropriations~~ Committee, and the Executive Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget, for preliminary review and consideration of funding the department's Fiscal Year 2026-2027 legislative budget request to update the system.

(c) This subsection expires July 1, 2026 2025.

Section 57. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category "Northwest Regional Data Center" in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor

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may transfer funds appropriated in that category between departments in order to align the budget authority granted based on the estimated costs for data processing services for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 58. In order to implement appropriations authorized in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act for state data center services, auxiliary assessments charged to state agencies related to contract management services provided to Northwest Regional Data Center shall not exceed 3 percent. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 59. In order to implement section 128 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, section 284.51, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

284.51 Electroencephalogram combined transcranial magnetic stimulation treatment pilot program.—

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) "Division" means the Division of Risk Management of the Department of Financial Services.

(b) "Electroencephalogram combined Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation" or "eTMS" means treatment in which transcranial magnetic stimulation frequency pulses are tuned to the patient's physiology and biometric data.

(c) "First responder" has the same meaning as provided in s. 112.1815(1).

(d) "Veteran" means:

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- 1639 1. A veteran as defined in 38 U.S.C. s. 101(2);
- 1640 2. A person who served in a reserve component as defined
- 1641 in 38 U.S.C. s. 101(27); or
- 1642 3. A person who served in the National Guard of any state.
- 1643 (2) The division shall select a provider to establish a
- 1644 statewide pilot program to make eTMS available for veterans,
- 1645 first responders, and immediate family members of veterans and
- 1646 first responders with:
- 1647 (a) Substance use disorders.
- 1648 (b) Mental illness.
- 1649 (c) Sleep disorders.
- 1650 (d) Traumatic brain injuries.
- 1651 (e) Sexual trauma.
- 1652 (f) Posttraumatic stress disorder and accompanying
- 1653 comorbidities.
- 1654 (g) Concussions.
- 1655 (h) Other brain trauma.
- 1656 (i) Quality of life issues affecting human performance,
- 1657 including issues related to or resulting from problems with
- 1658 cognition and problems maintaining attention, concentration, or
- 1659 focus.
- 1660 (3) The provider must display a history of serving veteran
- 1661 and first responder populations at a statewide level. The
- 1662 provider shall establish a network for in-person and offsite
- 1663 care with the goal of providing statewide access. Consideration

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shall be provided to locations with a large population of first responders and veterans. In addition to traditional eTMS devices, the provider may utilize nonmedical Portable Magnetic Stimulation devices to improve access to underserved populations in remote areas or to be used to serve as a pre-post treatment or a stand-alone device. The provider shall be required to establish and operate a clinical practice and to evaluate outcomes of such clinical practice.

(4) The pilot program shall include:

(a) The establishment of a peer-to-peer support network by the provider made available to all individuals receiving treatment under the program.

(b) The requirement that each individual who receives treatment under the program also must receive neurophysiological monitoring, monitoring for symptoms of substance use and other mental health disorders, and access to counseling and wellness programming. Each individual who receives treatment must also participate in the peer-to-peer support network established by the provider.

(c) The establishment of protocols which include the use of adopted stimulation frequency and intensity modulation based on EEGs done on days 0, 10, and 20 and motor threshold testing, as well as clinical symptoms, signs, and biometrics.

(d) The requirement that protocols and outcomes of any treatment provided by the clinical practice shall be collected

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and reported by the provider quarterly to the division, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such report shall include the biodata metrics and all expenditures and accounting of the use of funds received from the department.

(e) The requirement that protocols and outcomes of any treatment provided by the clinical practice shall be collected and reported to the University of South Florida and may be provided by the provider to any relevant Food and Drug Administration studies or trials.

(5) The division may adopt rules to implement this section.

(6) This section expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 60. In order to implement specific appropriations from the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which are contained in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and only with respect to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish

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and Wildlife Conservation Commission, whenever there is a deficiency in a land acquisition trust fund which would render that trust fund temporarily insufficient to meet its just requirements, including the timely payment of appropriations from that trust fund, and other trust funds in the State Treasury have moneys that are for the time being or otherwise in excess of the amounts necessary to meet the just requirements, including appropriated obligations, of those other trust funds, the Governor may order a temporary transfer of moneys from one or more of the other trust funds to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Any action proposed pursuant to this subsection is subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, and the Governor shall provide notice of such action at least 7 days before the effective date of the transfer of trust funds, except that during July 2025 ~~2024~~, notice of such action shall be provided at least 3 days before the effective date of a transfer unless such 3-day notice is waived by the chair and vice chair of the Legislative Budget Commission. Any transfer of trust funds to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission must be repaid to the trust funds from which the

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1739 moneys were loaned by the end of the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal
1740 year. The Legislature has determined that the repayment of the
1741 other trust fund moneys temporarily loaned to a land acquisition
1742 trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
1743 Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the
1744 Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1745 Commission pursuant to this subsection is an allowable use of
1746 the moneys in a land acquisition trust fund because the moneys
1747 from other trust funds temporarily loaned to a land acquisition
1748 trust fund shall be expended solely and exclusively in
1749 accordance with s. 28, Art. X of the State Constitution. This
1750 subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

1751 **Section 61.** (1) In order to implement specific
1752 appropriations from the land acquisition trust funds within the
1753 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department
1754 of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the
1755 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission which are contained in
1756 the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Department of
1757 Environmental Protection shall transfer revenues from the Land
1758 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department to the land
1759 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and
1760 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1761 Wildlife Conservation Commission as provided in this section. As
1762 used in this section, the term "department" means the Department
1763 of Environmental Protection.

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(2) After subtracting any required debt service payments, the proportionate share of revenues to be transferred to each land acquisition trust fund shall be calculated by dividing the appropriations from each of the land acquisition trust funds for the fiscal year by the total appropriations from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the department and the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for the fiscal year. The department shall transfer the proportionate share of the revenues in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the department on a monthly basis to the appropriate land acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and shall retain its proportionate share of the revenues in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the department. Total distributions to a land acquisition trust fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission may not exceed the total appropriations from such trust fund for the fiscal year.

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

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Commission amounts equal to the difference between the amounts appropriated in chapter 2024-231, Laws of Florida, to the department's Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the other land acquisition trust funds, and the amounts actually transferred between those trust funds during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

(4) The department may advance funds from the beginning unobligated fund balance in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission needed for cash flow purposes based on a detailed expenditure plan. The department shall prorate amounts transferred quarterly to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to recoup the amount of funds advanced by June 30, 2026.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 62. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1609 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 66 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, paragraph (g) of subsection (15) of section 376.3071, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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

(15) ETHANOL OR BIODIESEL DAMAGE; PREVENTIVE MEASURES.—The department shall pay, pursuant to this subsection, up to \$10 million each fiscal year from the fund for the costs of labor and equipment to repair or replace petroleum storage systems

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that may have been damaged due to the storage of fuels blended with ethanol or biodiesel, or for preventive measures to reduce the potential for such damage.

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

1. Proposal costs or costs related to preparation of the application and required documentation;

2. Certified public accountant costs;

3. Except as provided in paragraph (j), any costs in excess of the amount approved by the department under paragraph (b) or which are not in substantial compliance with the purchase order;

4. Costs associated with storage tanks, piping, or ancillary equipment that has previously been repaired or replaced for which costs have been paid under this section;

5. Facilities that are not in compliance with department storage tank rules, until the noncompliance issues have been resolved; or

6. Costs associated with damage to petroleum storage systems caused in whole or in part by causes other than the storage of fuels blended with ethanol or biodiesel.

Section 63. The text of s. 376.3071(15)(g), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2020-114, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on July 1, 2020, but not including any amendments made by this act or chapter 2020-

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114, Laws of Florida, and any amendments to such text enacted
other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to
operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent
upon the portion of text which expires pursuant to this section.

**Section 64. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1609 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (i)
is added to subsection (13) of section 376.3071, Florida
Statutes, to read:**

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

(13) PETROLEUM CLEANUP PARTICIPATION PROGRAM.—To encourage
detection, reporting, and cleanup of contamination caused by
discharges of petroleum or petroleum products, the department
shall, within the guidelines established in this subsection,
implement a cleanup program to provide rehabilitation funding
assistance for all property contaminated by discharges of
petroleum or petroleum products from a petroleum storage system
occurring before January 1, 1995. Eligibility is subject to an
annual appropriation from the fund. Additionally, funding for
eligible sites is contingent upon annual appropriation in
subsequent years. Such continued state funding is not an
entitlement or a vested right under this subsection. Eligibility
shall be determined in the program, notwithstanding any other
provision of law, consent order, order, judgment, or ordinance
to the contrary.

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(i) Notwithstanding this section, for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, program deductibles and copayments shall not be assessed, monetary caps shall not be enforced, and all costs for activities described in this subsection shall be absorbed at the expense of the Inland Protection Trust Fund, without recourse to reimbursement or recovery, with the following exceptions:

1. This paragraph does not apply to a site where the department has been denied site access to implement this section.

2. This paragraph does not authorize or require reimbursement from the fund for costs expended before the beginning of the grace period.

3. Upon discovery by the department that the owner or operator of a petroleum storage system has been grossly negligent in the maintenance of such petroleum storage system; has, with willful intent to conceal the existence of a serious discharge, falsified inventory or reconciliation records maintained with respect to the site at which such system is located; or has intentionally damaged such petroleum storage system, the site at which such system is located shall be ineligible for participation in the incentive program and the owner shall be liable for all costs due to discharges from petroleum storage systems at that site.

This paragraph expires July 1, 2026.

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Section 65. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1609 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (5) of section 376.3072, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (6) and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

376.3072 Florida Petroleum Liability and Restoration Insurance Program.—

(5) Notwithstanding subsections (1)-(4), for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, program deductibles or copayments shall not be assessed, monetary caps shall not be enforced, and all costs for activities described in this section shall be absorbed at the expense of the Inland Protection Trust Fund, without recourse to reimbursement or recovery, with the following exceptions:

(a) This subsection does not apply to a site where the department has been denied site access to implement this section.

(b) This subsection does not authorize or require reimbursement from the fund for costs expended before the beginning of the grace period.

(c) Upon discovery by the department that the owner or operator of a petroleum storage system has been grossly negligent in the maintenance of such petroleum storage system; has, with willful intent to conceal the existence of a serious discharge, falsified inventory or reconciliation records maintained with respect to the site at which such system is

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located; or has intentionally damaged such petroleum storage system, the site at which such system is located shall be ineligible for participation in the incentive program and the owner shall be liable for all costs due to discharges from petroleum storage systems at that site.

This subsection expires July 1, 2026.

Section 66. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1536 through 1557A of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the Local Government Water Supply Pilot Grant Program is created within the Department of Environmental Protection. In recognition of the area's unique water source constraints, including the protection of the Coastal Floridan aquifer, the Department of Environmental Protection shall implement the pilot program to provide funds to local governments for water supply infrastructure, including distribution and transmission facilities. To be eligible for the pilot program, a water supply infrastructure project must be located within Region I or Region II of the Northwest Florida Regional Water Supply Plan. If a developer is involved in the project, the Department of Environmental Protection shall require match funding equal to the amount of the grant request from local, federal, or private funds. The Department of Environmental Protection shall expeditiously develop an application process and may adopt rules to implement this pilot program. This section expires July 1,

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Section 67. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1502 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 71 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, section 380.5105, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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

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

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

1. Within a municipality with a population less than 30,000;

2. Within a municipality or area under intense growth and development pressures, as evidenced by a number of factors, including a determination that the municipality's growth rate

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1964 exceeds the average growth rate for the state;

1965 3. Within the boundary of a community redevelopment agency
1966 established pursuant to s. 163.356;

1967 4. Adjacent to state-owned submerged lands designated as
1968 an aquatic preserve identified in s. 258.39; or

1969 5. That provide a demonstrable benefit to the local
1970 economy.

1971 (b) For projects that will require more than the grant
1972 amount awarded for completion, the applicant must identify in
1973 their project application funding sources that will provide the
1974 difference between the grant award and the estimated project
1975 completion cost. Such rules may be incorporated into those
1976 developed pursuant to s. 380.507(11).

1977 (c) The trust shall develop a ranking list based on
1978 criteria identified in paragraph (a) for proposed fee simple and
1979 less-than-fee simple acquisition projects developed pursuant to
1980 this section. The trust shall, by the first Board of Trustees of
1981 the Internal Improvement Trust Fund meeting in February, present
1982 the ranking list pursuant to this section to the board of
1983 trustees for final approval of projects for funding. The board
1984 of trustees may remove projects from the ranking list but may
1985 not add projects.

1986 (d) Grant awards, acquisition approvals, and terms of
1987 less-than-fee acquisitions shall be approved by the trust.
1988 Waterfront communities that receive grant awards must submit

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1989 annual progress reports to the trust identifying project
1990 activities which are complete, and the progress achieved in
1991 meeting the goals outlined in the project application. The trust
1992 must implement a process to monitor and evaluate the performance
1993 of grant recipients in completing projects that are funded
1994 through the working waterfronts program.

1995 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,
1996 it is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of
1997 Environmental Protection shall administer the working
1998 waterfronts capital outlay grant program as set forth in this
1999 section to support the commercial fishing industry, including
2000 the infrastructure for receiving or unloading seafood for the
2001 purpose of supporting the seafood economy.

2002 (a) The working waterfronts capital outlay grant program
2003 is created to provide funding to assist commercial saltwater
2004 products or commercial saltwater wholesale dealer or retailer
2005 license holders and seafood houses in maintaining their
2006 operations.

2007 (b) Eligible costs and expenditures include fixed capital
2008 outlay and operating capital outlay, including, but not limited
2009 to, the repair and maintenance or replacement of equipment, the
2010 repair and maintenance or replacement of water-adjacent
2011 facilities or infrastructure, and the construction or renovation
2012 of shoreside facilities.

2013 (c) The applicant must demonstrate a benefit to the local

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economy.

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

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

Section 68. The text of s. 380.5105, Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, by this act expire July 1, 2026, and the text of that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2024, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 69. In order to implement section 163 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, section 10 of chapter 2022-272, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 72 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 10. Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement Grant Program.—

(1) There is hereby created within the Department of Environmental Protection the Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement Grant Program for the purpose of providing financial assistance

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to mitigate coastal beach erosion for coastal homeowners whose property was significantly impacted by Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole in 2022. The department is authorized to provide financial assistance grants to eligible recipients located in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Duval, Flagler, Indian River, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Nassau, Palm Beach, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota, and Volusia Counties.

(2) The department may provide grants to property owners to mitigate for coastal beach erosion caused by Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole during 2022. Grant funding may only be used to reimburse a property owner for construction costs:

(a) Related to sand placement and temporary or permanent coastal armoring construction projects to mitigate coastal beach erosion and may not be used for the repair of residential structures.

(b) Incurred as a result of preparation for or damage sustained from Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole in 2022.

(c) Incurred after September 23, 2022.

(d) Related to a project that has been permitted, is exempt from permitting requirements, or is otherwise authorized by law.

(3) Financial assistance grants may only be provided to mitigate damage to property located in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Duval, Flagler, Indian River, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Nassau, Palm Beach, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota,

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and Volusia Counties that is a:

(a) Residential property that meets the following requirements:

1. The parcel must be a single-family, site-built, residential property or a multi-family, site-built, residential property not to exceed four units; and

2. The homeowner must have been granted a homestead exemption on the home under chapter 196, Florida Statutes;

(b) Residential condominium, as defined in chapter 718, Florida Statutes; or

(c) Cooperative, as defined in chapter 719, Florida Statutes.

(4)(a) The department shall reimburse 100 percent of the cost of eligible sand placement projects. For armoring projects on residential properties eligible under paragraph (3)(a), the department shall cost-share with \$1 provided by the property owner for every \$1 provided by the state with a maximum of \$300,000 in state funding toward the actual cost of an eligible project. For armoring projects on properties eligible under paragraphs (3)(b) and (c), the department shall cost-share with \$1 provided by the property owner for every \$1 provided by the state with a maximum of \$600,000 in state funding toward the actual cost of an eligible project. The department shall prioritize applicants who are low-income or moderate-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004, Florida Statutes. Grants

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will be awarded to property owners for eligible projects following the receipt of a completed application on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted.

1. Applications may be submitted beginning February 1, 2023.

2. Applicants must include evidence that the project meets the criteria in subsections (2) and (3).

(b) If the department determines that an application meets the requirements of this section, the department shall enter into a cost-share grant agreement with the applicant consistent with this section.

(c) The department shall disburse grant funds on a reimbursement basis. In order to receive reimbursement, property owners must submit, at a minimum:

1. If applicable, the permit issued under chapter 161, Florida Statutes, or applicable statute, and evidence that the project complies with all permitting requirements.

2. All invoices and payment receipts for eligible projects.

3. If applicable, documentation that the eligible project was completed by a licensed professional or contractor.

(5) Beginning July 1, 2024, local governments and municipalities may apply for program funds to implement large scale sand placement projects located in a county listed in subsection (1). Impacted counties and municipalities may request

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2114 funding for such projects that protect upland structures and
2115 provide benefits to property owners at large. Funding will be
2116 distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Up to 100
2117 percent of costs are eligible. Projects must be able to be
2118 completed by July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~. No more than 50 percent of
2119 remaining funds will be used for this purpose.

2120 (6) No later than January 31, 2023, the department shall
2121 adopt emergency rules prescribing the procedures,
2122 administration, and criteria for approving the applications for
2123 the Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement Grant Program. The
2124 department is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to
2125 adopt emergency rules under ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54(4),
2126 Florida Statutes, to implement this section. The Legislature
2127 finds that such emergency rulemaking authority is necessary to
2128 address critical shoreline erosion which may result in the loss
2129 of property by homeowners in those areas of the state that
2130 sustained damage due to Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole during
2131 2022. Such rules shall remain effective until the funding in the
2132 grant program is exhausted or this section expires for 6 months
2133 after the date of adoption.

2134 (7) This section expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

2135 **Section 70.** In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2136 1725 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act and
2137 notwithstanding s. 823.11(4)(c), Florida Statutes, the Fish and
2138 Wildlife Conservation Commission may use funds appropriated for

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the derelict vessel removal program for grants to local governments or to remove, store, destroy, and dispose of, or to pay private contractors to remove, store, destroy, and dispose of, derelict vessels or vessels declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), Florida Statutes. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 71. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1456 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the National School Lunch Program. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 72. **In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1555 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (9) of section 403.0673, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (10), respectively, and a new subsection (9) is added to that section, to read:**

403.0673 Water quality improvement grant program.—A grant program is established within the Department of Environmental Protection to address wastewater, stormwater, and agricultural sources of nutrient loading to surface water or groundwater.

(9) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections (1)-(7), the department shall include the water initiatives funded

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in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act in the grant
program. This subsection expires July 1, 2026.

**Section 73. In order to implement appropriations from the
Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Department of
Environmental Protection in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations
Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 375.041, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:**

375.041 Land Acquisition Trust Fund.—

(3) Funds distributed into the Land Acquisition Trust Fund
pursuant to s. 201.15 shall be applied:

(b) Of the funds remaining after the payments required
under paragraph (a), but before funds may be appropriated,
pledged, or dedicated for other uses:

1. A minimum of the lesser of 25 percent or \$200 million
shall be appropriated annually for Everglades projects that
implement the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan as set
forth in s. 373.470, including the Central Everglades Planning
Project subject to congressional authorization; the Long-Term
Plan as defined in s. 373.4592(2); and the Northern Everglades
and Estuaries Protection Program as set forth in s. 373.4595.
From these funds, \$32 million shall be distributed each fiscal
year through the 2023-2024 fiscal year to the South Florida
Water Management District for the Long-Term Plan as defined in
s. 373.4592(2). After deducting the \$32 million distributed
under this subparagraph, from the funds remaining, a minimum of

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the lesser of 76.5 percent or \$100 million shall be appropriated each fiscal year through the 2025-2026 fiscal year for the planning, design, engineering, and construction of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan as set forth in s. 373.470, including the Central Everglades Planning Project, the Everglades Agricultural Area Storage Reservoir Project, the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Project, the C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir Project, the Indian River Lagoon-South Project, the Western Everglades Restoration Project, and the Picayune Strand Restoration Project. The Department of Environmental Protection and the South Florida Water Management District shall give preference to those Everglades restoration projects that reduce harmful discharges of water from Lake Okeechobee to the St. Lucie or Caloosahatchee estuaries in a timely manner. For the purpose of performing the calculation provided in this subparagraph, the amount of debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) for bonds issued after July 1, 2016, for the purposes set forth under this paragraph shall be added to the amount remaining after the payments required under paragraph (a). The amount of the distribution calculated shall then be reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) on bonds issued after July 1, 2016, for the purposes set forth under this subparagraph.

2. A minimum of the lesser of 7.6 percent or \$50 million shall be appropriated annually for spring restoration,

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2214 protection, and management projects. For the purpose of
2215 performing the calculation provided in this subparagraph, the
2216 amount of debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) for bonds
2217 issued after July 1, 2016, for the purposes set forth under this
2218 paragraph shall be added to the amount remaining after the
2219 payments required under paragraph (a). The amount of the
2220 distribution calculated shall then be reduced by an amount equal
2221 to the debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) on bonds
2222 issued after July 1, 2016, for the purposes set forth under this
2223 subparagraph.

2224 3. The sum of \$5 million shall be appropriated annually
2225 each fiscal year through the 2025-2026 fiscal year to the St.
2226 Johns River Water Management District for projects dedicated to
2227 the restoration of Lake Apopka. This distribution shall be
2228 reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid pursuant to
2229 paragraph (a) on bonds issued after July 1, 2016, for the
2230 purposes set forth in this subparagraph.

2231 4. The sum of \$64 million is appropriated and shall be
2232 transferred to the Everglades Trust Fund for the 2018-2019
2233 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, for the EAA
2234 reservoir project pursuant to s. 373.4598. Any funds remaining
2235 in any fiscal year shall be made available only for Phase II of
2236 the C-51 reservoir project or projects identified in
2237 subparagraph 1. and must be used in accordance with laws
2238 relating to such projects. Any funds made available for such

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purposes in a fiscal year are in addition to the amount appropriated under subparagraph 1. This distribution shall be reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) on bonds issued after July 1, 2017, for the purposes set forth in this subparagraph.

5. The sum of \$50 million shall be appropriated annually to the South Florida Water Management District for the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project in accordance with s. 373.4599. This distribution must be reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) on bonds issued after July 1, 2021, for the purposes set forth in this subparagraph.

6. The sum of \$100 million shall be appropriated annually to the Department of Environmental Protection for the acquisition of land pursuant to s. 259.105.

7. Notwithstanding subparagraph 3., for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, funds shall be appropriated as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2026.

Section 74. In order to implement section 156 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 288.80125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.80125 Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund.—

(3) For the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year, funds shall be used for the Rebuild Florida Revolving Loan Fund program to

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provide assistance to businesses impacted by Hurricane Michael as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 75. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2059 through 2064 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 80 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 288.8013, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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

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

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Section 76. The text of s. 288.8013(3), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida, by this act expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 77. **In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2113 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (6) of section 288.0655, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

288.0655 Rural Infrastructure Fund.—

(6) For the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year, the funds appropriated for the grant program for Florida Panhandle counties shall be distributed pursuant to and for the purposes described in the proviso language associated with Specific Appropriation 2113 ~~2348~~ of the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ General Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 78. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2445 through 2454 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Division of Emergency Management may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for projected expenditures due to reimbursements from

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2314 federally declared disasters. This section expires July 1, 2026.

2315 **Section 79. In order to implement Specific Appropriation**
2316 **2432 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations act, subsection (2)**
2317 **of section 282.201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

2318 282.201 State data center.—The state data center is
2319 established within the department. The provision of data center
2320 services must comply with applicable state and federal laws,
2321 regulations, and policies, including all applicable security,
2322 privacy, and auditing requirements. The department shall appoint
2323 a director of the state data center who has experience in
2324 leading data center facilities and has expertise in cloud-
2325 computing management.

2326 (2) USE OF THE STATE DATA CENTER.—

2327 (a) The following are exempt from the use of the state
2328 data center: the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department
2329 of the Lottery's Gaming System, Systems Design and Development
2330 in the Office of Policy and Budget, the regional traffic
2331 management centers as described in s. 335.14(2) and the Office
2332 of Toll Operations of the Department of Transportation, the
2333 State Board of Administration, state attorneys, public
2334 defenders, criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, capital
2335 collateral regional counsel, and the Florida Housing Finance
2336 Corporation.

2337 (b) The Division of Emergency Management is exempt from
2338 the use of the state data center. This paragraph expires July 1,

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2340 **Section 80. In order to implement Specific Appropriations**
2341 **2791 through 2799 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act,**
2342 **subsection (12) is added to section 251.001, Florida Statutes,**
2343 **to read:**

2344 251.001 Florida State Guard Act.—

2345 (12) Pursuant to s. 287.16(4), unless the Governor has
2346 issued a declaration of a state of emergency due to a natural
2347 emergency as those terms are defined in s. 252.34, in the
2348 previous 30 days, Florida State Guard aircraft shall be assigned
2349 to the Department of Law Enforcement for daily training activity
2350 and operational use by the department. No later than July 31,
2351 2025, the Florida State Guard and the department must sign a
2352 Memorandum of Understanding implementing the terms of the
2353 assignment of aircraft. This subsection expires July 1, 2026.

2354 **Section 81. In order to implement Specific Appropriation**
2355 **2089 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsections**
2356 **(4) and (5) of section 443.1113, Florida Statutes, are amended**
2357 **to read:**

2358 443.1113 Reemployment Assistance Claims and Benefits
2359 Information System.—

2360 (4) (a) The Department of Commerce shall perform an annual
2361 review of the system and identify enhancements or modernization
2362 efforts that improve the delivery of services to claimants and
2363 employers and reporting to state and federal entities. These

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improvements are subject to appropriation, and must include, but need not be limited to:

1. Infrastructure upgrades through cloud services.
2. Software improvements.
3. Enhanced data analytics and reporting.
4. Increased cybersecurity pursuant to s. 282.318.

(b) The department shall seek input on recommended enhancements from, at a minimum, the following entities:

1. The Florida Digital Service within the Department of Management Services.
2. The General Tax Administration Program Office within the Department of Revenue.
3. The Division of Accounting and Auditing within the Department of Financial Services.

(5) By September 1, 2025 ~~October 1, 2023~~, and each year thereafter, the Department of Commerce shall submit a Reemployment Assistance Claims and Benefits Information System report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The report must, at a minimum, include:

(a) A summary of clearly defined deliverables and measurable outcomes of maintenance, enhancement, and modernization efforts over the last fiscal year.

(b) A plan for the next 2 fiscal years ~~3-year outlook~~ of recommended enhancements or modernization efforts that includes

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projected nonrecurring project costs, clear deliverables, and
timeframes for completion of each enhancement or modernization
effort in priority order, and the projected recurring operations
and maintenance costs after the completion of each enhancement
or modernization effort.

Section 82. (1) In order to implement section 8 of the
2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, beginning July 1, 2025,
and on the first day of each month thereafter, the Department of
Management Services shall assess an administrative health
insurance assessment to each state agency equal to the
employer's cost of individual employee health care coverage for
each vacant position within such agency eligible for coverage
through the Division of State Group Insurance. As used in this
section, the term "state agency" means an agency within the
State Personnel System, the Department of the Lottery, the
Justice Administrative Commission and all entities
administratively housed in the Justice Administrative
Commission, and the state courts system.

(2) Each state agency shall remit the assessed
administrative health insurance assessment under subsection (1)
to the State Employees Health Insurance Trust Fund, for the
State Group Insurance Program, as provided in ss. 110.123 and
110.1239, Florida Statutes, from currently allocated monies for
salaries and benefits, within 30 days after receipt of the
assessment from the Department of Management Services. Should

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any state agency become more than 60 days delinquent in payment of this obligation, the Department of Management Services shall certify to the Chief Financial Officer the amount due and the Chief Financial Officer shall transfer the amount due to the Department of Management Services.

(3) The administrative health insurance assessment shall apply to all vacant positions funded with state funds whether fully or partially funded with state funds. Vacant positions partially funded with state funds shall pay a percentage of the assessment imposed in subsection (1) equal to the percentage share of state funds provided for such vacant positions. No assessment shall apply to vacant positions fully funded with federal funds. Each state agency shall provide the Department of Management Services with a complete list of position numbers that are funded, or partially funded, with federal funding, and include the percentage of federal funding for each position no later than July 31, 2025, and shall update the list on the last day of each month thereafter. For federally funded vacant positions, or partially funded vacant positions, each state agency shall immediately take steps to include the administrative health insurance assessment in its indirect cost plan for the 2026-2027 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter. A state agency shall notify the Department of Management Services, the Executive Office of the Governor, and the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriation and the chair

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of the House of Representatives Budget Committee, upon approval of the updated indirect cost plan. If the state agency is not able to obtain approval from its federal awarding agency, the state agency must notify the Department of Management Services, the Executive Office of the Governor, and the appropriation chairs no later than January 15, 2026.

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

(5) This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 83. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2530 and 2531 of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s. 11.13(1), Florida Statutes, the authorized salaries for members of the Legislature for the 2025-2026 fiscal year shall be set at the same level in effect on July 1, 2010. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 84. In order to implement the transfer of funds from the General Revenue Fund from trust funds for the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 91 of chapter 2024-228, Laws of Florida,

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paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 215.32, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

215.32 State funds; segregation.—

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

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

2. In addition to other trust funds created by law, to the extent possible, each agency shall use the following trust funds as described in this subparagraph for day-to-day operations:

a. Operations or operating trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used for program operations funded by program revenues, with the exception of administrative activities when the operations or operating trust fund is a

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2489 proprietary fund.

2490 b. Operations and maintenance trust fund, for use as a
2491 depository for client services funded by third-party payors.

2492 c. Administrative trust fund, for use as a depository for
2493 funds to be used for management activities that are departmental
2494 in nature and funded by indirect cost earnings and assessments
2495 against trust funds. Proprietary funds are excluded from the
2496 requirement of using an administrative trust fund.

2497 d. Grants and donations trust fund, for use as a
2498 depository for funds to be used for allowable grant or donor
2499 agreement activities funded by restricted contractual revenue
2500 from private and public nonfederal sources.

2501 e. Agency working capital trust fund, for use as a
2502 depository for funds to be used pursuant to s. 216.272.

2503 f. Clearing funds trust fund, for use as a depository for
2504 funds to account for collections pending distribution to lawful
2505 recipients.

2506 g. Federal grant trust fund, for use as a depository for
2507 funds to be used for allowable grant activities funded by
2508 restricted program revenues from federal sources.

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2510 To the extent possible, each agency must adjust its internal
2511 accounting to use existing trust funds consistent with the
2512 requirements of this subparagraph. If an agency does not have
2513 trust funds listed in this subparagraph and cannot make such

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adjustment, the agency must recommend the creation of the necessary trust funds to the Legislature no later than the next scheduled review of the agency's trust funds pursuant to s. 215.3206.

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

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

b. This subparagraph does not apply to trust funds required by federal programs or mandates; trust funds established for bond covenants, indentures, or resolutions whose revenues are legally pledged by the state or public body to meet debt service or other financial requirements of any debt obligations of the state or any public body; the Division of Licensing Trust Fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; the State Transportation Trust Fund; the trust fund containing the net annual proceeds from the Florida Education Lotteries; the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund;

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trust funds under the management of the State Board of Education or the Board of Governors of the State University System, where such trust funds are for auxiliary enterprises, self-insurance, and contracts, grants, and donations, as those terms are defined by general law; trust funds that serve as clearing funds or accounts for the Chief Financial Officer or state agencies; trust funds that account for assets held by the state in a trustee capacity as an agent or fiduciary for individuals, private organizations, or other governmental units; and other trust funds authorized by the State Constitution.

Section 85. The text of s. 215.32(2)(b), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2011-47, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2026, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2011, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 86. In order to implement appropriations in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel, the funds appropriated to each state agency which may be used for travel by state employees are limited during the 2025-2026 fiscal year to travel for activities that are critical to each state agency's mission. Funds may not be used for travel by state employees to foreign countries, other states, conferences,

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staff training activities, or other administrative functions
unless the agency head has approved, in writing, that such
activities are critical to the agency's mission. When state
funds are used for a state employee to travel outside the state
of Florida, a state agency must provide to the Department of
Management Services, all itineraries, travel expenses, and
related documentation detailing the costs incurred by the state
employee. This information must be reported to the department on
the first day of each month for any travel by state employees in
the previous month, and the department shall compile and publish
to their website a quarterly report detailing any such travel.
The agency head shall consider using teleconferencing and other
forms of electronic communication to meet the needs of the
proposed activity before approving mission-critical travel. This
section does not apply to travel within the state for law
enforcement purposes, military purposes, emergency management
activities, or public health activities. This section expires
July 1, 2026.

Section 87. In order to implement appropriations in the
2025-2026 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel
and notwithstanding s. 112.061, Florida Statutes, costs for
lodging associated with a meeting, conference, or convention
organized or sponsored in whole or in part by a state agency or
the judicial branch may not exceed \$225 per day. An employee may
expend his or her own funds for any lodging expenses in excess

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of \$225 per day. For purposes of this section, a meeting does not include travel activities for conducting an audit, examination, inspection, or investigation or travel activities related to a litigation or emergency response. This section expires July 1, 2026.

Section 88. In order to implement the appropriations and reappropriations authorized in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d) of subsection (11) of section 216.181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.181 Approved budgets for operations and fixed capital outlay.—

(11)

(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) and paragraph (2)(b), and for the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year only, the Legislative Budget Commission may approve budget amendments for new fixed capital outlay projects or increase the amounts appropriated to state agencies for fixed capital outlay projects. This paragraph expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

The provisions of this subsection are subject to the notice and objection procedures set forth in s. 216.177.

Section 89. In order to implement the salaries and benefits, expenses, other personal services, contracted services, special categories, and operating capital outlay categories of the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act,

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paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 216.292, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.292 Appropriations nontransferable; exceptions.—

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

(a) The transfer of appropriations funded from identical funding sources, except appropriations for fixed capital outlay, and the transfer of amounts included within the total original approved budget and plans of releases of appropriations as furnished pursuant to ss. 216.181 and 216.192, as follows:

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

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

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

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in the subsequent fiscal year.

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

5. For the 2025-2026 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year, the review shall ensure that transfers proposed pursuant to this paragraph comply with this chapter, maximize the use of available and appropriate trust funds, and are not contrary to legislative policy and intent. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 90. In order to implement appropriations for state agencies in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, section 11.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11.52 Implementation of enacted legislation.—Each state agency shall provide the Legislature and the Executive Office of the Governor with information about the status of implementation of recently enacted legislation. The implementation status must be provided 90 days following the effective date of the legislation and updated each August 1 thereafter until all provisions of the legislation have been fully implemented. The implementation status report must include, at a minimum, for each enacted legislation, the actions or steps taken to

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implement the legislation and planned actions or steps for implementation, such as any rules proposed for implementation, any procurements required, any contract executed to assist the agency in the implementation, any contracts executed to implement or administer the legislation, programs started, or federal waivers requested; any expenditures made directly related to the implementation; and any impediments or delays in implementation. No later than 14 days prior to the next regular legislative session, the state agency shall provide an update of any changes to the implementation status, notify the Legislature of any protests of rulemaking or other communications regarding the implementation of the legislation, and identify any policy issues that need to be resolved by the Legislature to ensure timely and effective implementation of the legislation. This section expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 91. In order to implement appropriations for state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, each state agency and the judicial branch shall review all reports required of the agency or the judicial branch by statute, prepare a list of such reports that the agency would recommend to modify or repeal in a template provided by the Executive Office of the Governor, and shall submit such list to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Executive Office of the Governor no later than October 15, 2025. At a minimum, the list

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2689 must include the report name; the statutory authority for the
2690 report; the first year that the report was required; a
2691 descriptive rationale that supports the recommended modification
2692 or repeal, which may include any information or recommendation
2693 for alternative availability of the information required by the
2694 report such as a current online source; and proposed statutory
2695 language to effectuate any recommended modification. This
2696 section expires July 1, 2026.

2697 **Section 92. In order to implement appropriations for state**
2698 **agencies and the judicial branch in the 2025-2026 General**
2699 **Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of section 216.013, Florida**
2700 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

2701 216.013 Long-range program plan.—State agencies and the
2702 judicial branch shall develop long-range program plans to
2703 achieve state goals using an interagency planning process that
2704 includes the development of integrated agency program service
2705 outcomes. The plans shall be policy based, priority driven,
2706 accountable, and developed through careful examination and
2707 justification of all agency and judicial branch programs.

2708 (7) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, each
2709 state executive agency and the judicial branch are not required
2710 to develop or post a long-range program plan by September 30,
2711 2025 ~~2024~~, for the 2026-2027 ~~2025-2026~~ fiscal year, except in
2712 circumstances outlined in any updated written instructions
2713 prepared by the Executive Office of the Governor in consultation

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with the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees.
This subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 93. In order to implement appropriations for state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of section 216.023, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.023 Legislative budget requests to be furnished to Legislature by agencies.—

(7) As part of the legislative budget request, each state agency and the judicial branch shall include an inventory of all ongoing technology-related projects that have a cumulative estimated or realized cost of more than \$1 million. The inventory must, at a minimum, contain all of the following information:

(a) The name of the technology system.

(b) A brief description of the purpose and function of the system.

(c) A brief description of the goals of the project.

(d) The initiation date of the project.

(e) The key performance indicators for the project.

(f) Any other metrics for the project evaluating the health and status of the project.

(g) The original and current baseline estimated end dates of the project.

(h) The original and current estimated costs of the

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project.

(i) Total funds appropriated or allocated to the project and the current realized cost for the project by fiscal year.

For purposes of this subsection, an ongoing technology-related project is one which has been funded or has had or is expected to have expenditures in more than one fiscal year. An ongoing technology-related project does not include the continuance of existing hardware and software maintenance agreements, the renewal of existing software licensing agreements, or the replacement of desktop units with new technology that is substantially similar to the technology being replaced. This subsection expires July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~.

Section 94. In order to implement the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act, the use of state funds must be consistent with the following principles of individual freedom:

(1) No person is inherently racist, sexist, or oppressive, whether consciously or unconsciously, solely by virtue of his or her race or sex.

(2) No race is inherently superior to another race.

(3) No person should be discriminated against or receive adverse treatment solely or partly on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, or sex.

(4) Meritocracy or traits such as a hard work ethic are not racist but fundamental to the right to pursue happiness and

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2764 be rewarded for industry.

2765 (5) A person, by virtue of his or her race or sex, does
2766 not bear responsibility for actions committed in the past by
2767 other members of the same race or sex.

2768 (6) A person should not be instructed that he or she must
2769 feel guilt, anguish, or other forms of psychological distress
2770 for actions, in which he or she played no part, committed in the
2771 past by other members of the same race or sex.

2772 **Section 95.** Any section of this act which implements a
2773 specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso
2774 language in the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act is void if
2775 the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso
2776 language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements
2777 more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of
2778 specifically identified proviso language in the 2025-2026
2779 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific
2780 appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso
2781 language are vetoed.

2782 **Section 96.** If any other act passed during the 2025
2783 Regular Session of the Legislature contains a provision that is
2784 substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that
2785 removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied
2786 to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the
2787 provision in the other act takes precedence and continues to
2788 operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

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Section 97. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 98. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2025, or, if this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2025.

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Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to implementing the 2025-2026 General Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent; incorporating by reference certain calculations; providing an expiration date; amending s. 1011.45, F.S.; requiring a carry forward spending plan to commit certain excess reserve balances to specified projects in a specified manner; providing an expiration date; authorizing the Agency for Health

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2814 Care Administration, in consultation with the
2815 Department of Health, to submit a budget amendment to
2816 realign funding for specified purposes; specifying
2817 requirements for such realignment; providing an
2818 expiration date; authorizing the Agency for Health
2819 Care Administration and the Department of Health to
2820 each submit a budget amendment to realign funding
2821 within the Florida Kidcare program appropriation
2822 categories and to increase budget authority for
2823 certain purposes; specifying the time period within
2824 which each budget amendment must be submitted;
2825 providing an expiration date; amending s. 381.986,
2826 F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the exemption of
2827 certain rules pertaining to the medical use of
2828 marijuana from certain rulemaking requirements;
2829 amending s. 14(1), ch. 2017-232, Laws of Florida;
2830 exempting certain rules pertaining to medical
2831 marijuana adopted to replace emergency rules from
2832 specified rulemaking requirements; providing for the
2833 future expiration and reversion of specified law;
2834 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration
2835 to submit budget amendments seeking additional
2836 spending authority to implement specified programs and
2837 payments; providing an expiration date; amending s.
2838 408.07, F.S.; revising the definition of the term

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2839 "teaching hospital"; providing for future expiration
2840 and reversion; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; providing
2841 definitions; providing an expiration date; amending s.
2842 409.908, F.S.; providing requirements for a teaching
2843 hospital's participation in certain programs; defining
2844 the term "teaching hospital"; providing an expiration
2845 date; amending s. 409.910, F.S.; conforming a cross-
2846 reference; providing for future expiration and
2847 reversion; prohibiting certain hospitals from
2848 participating in the Low Income Pool Program;
2849 providing an expiration date; amending s. 393.066,
2850 F.S.; removing a requirement that contracted entities
2851 must use a specified management system as a condition
2852 of payment and before billing; authorizing such
2853 entities to maintain an alternate data system that
2854 meets specified standards; prohibiting the Agency for
2855 Persons with Disabilities from requiring training on a
2856 specified system in certain circumstances; providing
2857 for future expiration and reversion; requiring the
2858 Department of Children and Families to submit
2859 quarterly reports to the Executive Office of the
2860 Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the
2861 Department of Children and Families to submit budget
2862 amendments to increase budget authority to support
2863 specified federal grant programs; providing an

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2864 expiration date; authorizing the Department of Health
2865 to submit a budget amendment to increase budget
2866 authority for the Supplemental Nutrition Program for
2867 Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and the Child Care
2868 Food Program if a certain condition is met; providing
2869 an expiration date; authorizing the Department of
2870 Health to submit a budget amendment to increase budget
2871 authority for the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment
2872 Program if a certain condition is met; providing an
2873 expiration date; requiring the Agency for Health Care
2874 Administration to replace the Florida Medicaid
2875 Management Information System (FMMIS) and fiscal agent
2876 operations with a specified new system; specifying
2877 items that may not be included in the new system;
2878 providing directives to the Agency for Health Care
2879 Administration relating to the new system, the Florida
2880 Health Care Connection (FX) system; requiring the
2881 Agency for Health Care Administration to meet certain
2882 requirements in replacing FMMIS and the current
2883 Medicaid fiscal agent; requiring the Agency for Health
2884 Care Administration to implement a specified program
2885 governance structure that includes an executive
2886 steering committee; providing procedures for use by
2887 the executive steering committee; providing
2888 responsibilities of the executive steering committee;

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2889 requiring the establishment of a state agency
2890 stakeholder working group; providing composition of
2891 such group; providing requirements for such group;
2892 providing an expiration date; requiring the Agency for
2893 Health Care Administration, in consultation with the
2894 Department of Health, the Agency for Persons with
2895 Disabilities, the Department of Children and Families,
2896 and the Department of Corrections, to competitively
2897 procure a contract with a vendor to negotiate prices
2898 for certain prescribed drugs and biological products;
2899 providing requirements for such contract; authorizing
2900 the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to submit
2901 budget amendments to transfer funding from the
2902 Salaries and Benefits appropriation categories for a
2903 specified purpose; providing an expiration date;
2904 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration
2905 and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to submit
2906 a budget amendment for a specified purpose; providing
2907 an expiration date; authorizing the Department of
2908 Veterans' Affairs to submit a budget amendment,
2909 subject to Legislative Budget Commission approval,
2910 requesting certain authority; providing an expiration
2911 date; amending s. 409.915, F.S.; extending for 1 year
2912 the expiration of an exception for certain funds used
2913 for the hospital directed payment program; amending s.

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2914 394.9082, F.S.; extending for 1 year the expiration of
2915 an authorization to carry forward certain unexpended
2916 funds; providing construction; amending s. 216.262,
2917 F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority of the
2918 Department of Corrections to submit a budget amendment
2919 for additional positions and appropriations under
2920 certain circumstances; amending s. 215.18, F.S.;
2921 extending for 1 fiscal year the authority and related
2922 repayment requirements for temporary trust fund loans
2923 to the state court system which are sufficient to meet
2924 the system's appropriation; requiring the Department
2925 of Juvenile Justice to review county juvenile
2926 detention payments to determine whether a county has
2927 met specified financial responsibilities; requiring
2928 amounts owed by the county for such financial
2929 responsibilities to be deducted from certain county
2930 funds; requiring the Department of Revenue to transfer
2931 withheld funds to a specified trust fund; requiring
2932 the Department of Revenue to ensure that such
2933 reductions in amounts distributed do not reduce
2934 distributions below amounts necessary for certain
2935 payments due on bonds and to comply with bond
2936 covenants; requiring the Department of Revenue to
2937 notify the Department of Juvenile Justice if bond
2938 payment requirements mandate a reduction in deductions

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2939 for amounts owed by a county; providing an expiration
2940 date; reenacting s. 27.40(1), (2)(a), (3)(a), (5),
2941 (6), and (7), F.S., relating to court-appointed
2942 counsel; extending for 1 fiscal year provisions
2943 governing the appointment of court-appointed counsel;
2944 providing for the future expiration and reversion of
2945 specified statutory text; reenacting and amending s.
2946 27.5304, F.S., relating to the extension for 1 fiscal
2947 year limitations on compensation for representation in
2948 criminal proceedings; providing for the future
2949 expiration and reversion of specified statutory text;
2950 requiring the Department of Management Services to use
2951 tenant broker services to renegotiate or reprocur
2952 certain private lease agreements for office or storage
2953 space; requiring the Department of Management Services
2954 to provide a report to the Governor and the
2955 Legislature by a specified date; providing an
2956 expiration date; prohibiting an agency from
2957 transferring funds from a data processing category to
2958 another category that is not a data processing
2959 category; authorizing the Executive Office of the
2960 Governor to transfer funds between departments for
2961 purposes of aligning amounts paid for risk management
2962 insurance and for human resources services purchased
2963 per statewide contract; providing an expiration date;

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2964 | authorizing the Department of Management Services to
2965 | use certain facility disposition funds from the
2966 | Architects Incidental Trust Fund to pay for certain
2967 | relocation expenses; authorizing the Department of
2968 | Management Services to submit budget amendments for
2969 | certain purposes related to the relocation; providing
2970 | an expiration date; requiring the Department of
2971 | Financial Services to replace specified components of
2972 | the Florida Accounting Information Resource Subsystem
2973 | (FLAIR) and the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS);
2974 | specifying certain actions to be taken by the
2975 | Department of Financial Services regarding FLAIR and
2976 | CMS replacement; providing for the composition of an
2977 | executive steering committee to oversee FLAIR and CMS
2978 | replacement; prescribing duties and responsibilities
2979 | of the executive steering committee; providing an
2980 | expiration date; reenacting s. 282.709(3), F.S.,
2981 | relating to the state agency law enforcement radio
2982 | system and interoperability network; providing for
2983 | future expiration and reversion of specified statutory
2984 | text; authorizing state agencies and other eligible
2985 | users of the Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System to
2986 | use the Department of Management Services contract to
2987 | purchase equipment and services; requiring a specified
2988 | transaction fee percentage for use of the online

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2989 procurement system; providing an expiration date;
2990 amending s. 24.105, F.S.; specifying how the
2991 Department of the Lottery's rules are to be adopted,
2992 excluding certain rules for 1 fiscal year regarding
2993 the commission for lottery ticket sales; limiting
2994 additional retailer compensation in a specified
2995 manner; providing for the future expiration and
2996 reversion of specified statutory text; amending s.
2997 627.351, F.S.; extending for 1 year the specified
2998 authority of Citizens Property Insurance Corporation;
2999 amending s. 110.116, F.S.; extending for 1 year the
3000 directive to the Department of Management Services to
3001 renew a specified contract; providing a maximum rate
3002 for auxiliary assessments charged to certain state
3003 agencies for contract management; providing an
3004 expiration date; amending s. 284.51, F.S.; extending
3005 for 1 year a certain pilot program on eTMS treatment;
3006 amending s. amending s. 215.18, F.S.; extending for 1
3007 fiscal year certain authority to transfer funds from
3008 other trust funds in the State Treasury to other trust
3009 funds in certain circumstances; requiring the
3010 Department of Environmental Protection to transfer
3011 designated proportions of the revenues deposited in
3012 the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the department
3013 to land acquisition trust funds in the Department of

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3014 Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of
3015 State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
3016 Commission according to specified parameters and
3017 calculations; defining the term "department";
3018 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection
3019 to make transfers to land acquisition trust funds
3020 monthly; specifying the method of determining transfer
3021 amounts; authorizing the Department of Environmental
3022 Protection to advance funds from its land acquisition
3023 trust fund to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
3024 Commission's land acquisition trust fund for specified
3025 purposes; providing an expiration date; reenacting s.
3026 376.3071(15)(g), F.S., relating to the Inland
3027 Protection Trust Fund; exempting specified costs
3028 incurred by certain petroleum storage system owners or
3029 operators during a specified period from the
3030 prohibition against making payments in excess of
3031 amounts approved by the Department of Environmental
3032 Protection; providing for the future expiration and
3033 reversion of specified statutory text; amending ss.
3034 376.3071 and 376.3072, F.S.; prohibiting certain
3035 deductibles and copays; prohibiting enforcement of
3036 certain monetary caps; requiring certain costs be
3037 absorbed at the expense of the Inland Protection Trust
3038 Fund; providing exceptions; providing an expiration

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3039 date; creating the Local Government Water Supply Pilot
3040 Grant Program within the Department of Environmental
3041 Protection for a specified purpose; providing
3042 eligibility and requirements for such program;
3043 requiring the department to develop an application
3044 process; authorizing the department to adopt rules;
3045 providing an expiration date; reenacting s. 380.5105,
3046 F.S.; providing for the future expiration and
3047 reversion of specified statutory text; amending s. 10,
3048 ch. 2022-272, Laws of Florida; extending the Hurricane
3049 Restoration Reimbursement Grant Program for 1 fiscal
3050 year; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
3051 Commission to use specified funds to provide grants
3052 for a specified purpose; authorizing the Department of
3053 Agriculture and Consumer Services to increase budget
3054 authority for specified program; providing an
3055 expiration date; amending s. 403.0673, F.S.; requiring
3056 the Department of Environmental Protection to dedicate
3057 certain funds for a specified project; providing an
3058 expiration date; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring
3059 funds for the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to be
3060 appropriated in a specified manner; providing an
3061 expiration date; amending s. 288.80125, F.S.;
3062 extending for 1 fiscal year a requirement that funds
3063 in the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund be related to

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3064 Hurricane Michael recovery; reenacting s. 288.8013,
3065 F.S., relating to the Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., Trust
3066 Fund; providing for the future expiration and
3067 reversion of specified statutory text; amending s.
3068 288.0655, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year a
3069 requirement that certain appropriated funds relating
3070 to the Rural Infrastructure Fund be distributed in a
3071 specified manner; authorizing the Division of
3072 Emergency Management to submit budget amendments to
3073 increase budget authority for certain expenditures;
3074 providing an expiration date; amending s. 282.201,
3075 F.S.; extending the Division of Emergency Management's
3076 exemption from the use of the state data center;
3077 amending s. 251.001, F.S.; providing that the Florida
3078 State Guard aircraft is assigned to a specified
3079 department for certain uses; requiring the Florida
3080 State Guard to sign a certain memorandum of
3081 understanding; providing an expiration date; amending
3082 s. 443.1113, F.S.; providing that certain improvements
3083 to the Reemployment Assistance Claims and Benefits
3084 Information System are subject to appropriation;
3085 revising the date a certain report from the Department
3086 of Commerce is required to be submitted; revising the
3087 report requirements; requiring the Department of
3088 Management Services to assess an administrative health

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3089 insurance assessment on each state agency; providing
3090 the rate of such assessment; defining the term "state
3091 agency"; providing how a state agency shall remit
3092 certain funds; requiring the Department of Management
3093 Services to take certain actions in case of
3094 delinquencies; requiring the Chief Financial Officer
3095 to transfer funds under specified circumstances;
3096 providing an exception; requiring state agencies to
3097 provide a list of positions that qualify for such
3098 exception by a specified date and to update the list
3099 monthly thereafter; requiring state agencies to
3100 include the administrative health insurance assessment
3101 in their indirect cost plan; requiring agencies to
3102 notify the Department of Management Services regarding
3103 the approval of their updated indirect cost plans;
3104 authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to
3105 transfer budget authority between agencies in
3106 specified circumstances; providing that the annual
3107 salaries of the members of the Legislature be
3108 maintained at a specified level; providing an
3109 exception; reenacting s. 215.32(2)(b), F.S., relating
3110 to the authorization for transferring unappropriated
3111 cash balances from selected trust funds to the Budget
3112 Stabilization Fund and General Revenue Fund; providing
3113 for future expiration and reversion of specific

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3114 statutory text; specifying the type of travel which
3115 may be used with state employee travel funds;
3116 requiring certain information be provided to the
3117 Department of Management Services; requiring such
3118 information be published in a specified manner;
3119 providing exceptions; providing an expiration date;
3120 providing a monetary cap on lodging costs for state
3121 employee travel to certain meetings organized or
3122 sponsored by a state agency or the judicial branch;
3123 authorizing employees to expend their own funds for
3124 lodging expenses that exceed the monetary caps;
3125 providing an expiration date; amending s. 216.181,
3126 F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority of the
3127 Legislative Budget Commission to approve budget
3128 amendments for certain fixed capital outlay projects;
3129 amending s. 216.292, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
3130 the requirements for certain transfers; amending s.
3131 11.52, F.S.; extending for 1 year certain state agency
3132 reporting requirements regarding implementation of
3133 legislation; requiring each state agency and the
3134 judicial branch to review reporting requirements and
3135 prepare a specified list; requiring such list be
3136 submitted to specified parties by a certain date;
3137 requiring the list include certain information;
3138 amending s. 216.013, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year

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3139 an exception from certain planning requirements;
3140 amending s. 216.023, F.S.; extending for 1 year the a
3141 requirement that certain entities to include a
3142 specified inventory in their legislative budget
3143 request; providing that the use of state funds must be
3144 consistent with specified principles of individual
3145 freedom; providing conditions under which the veto of
3146 certain appropriations or proviso language in the
3147 General Appropriations Act voids language that
3148 implements such appropriation; providing for the
3149 continued operation of certain provisions
3150 notwithstanding a future repeal or expiration provided
3151 by the act; providing severability; providing for
3152 contingent retroactivity; providing effective dates.

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