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 2 An act implementing the 2024-2025 General  
 3 Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent;  
 4 incorporating by reference certain calculations;  
 5 providing an expiration date; amending s. 1004.6495,  
 6 F.S.; requiring specified entities to establish a  
 7 certain code for a specified purpose; providing an  
 8 expiration date; authorizing the Agency for Health  
 9 Care Administration, in consultation with the  
 10 Department of Health, to submit a budget amendment to  
 11 realign funding for specified purposes; specifying  
 12 requirements for such realignment; authorizing the  
 13 Agency for Health Care Administration to request  
 14 nonoperating budget authority for transferring certain  
 15 federal funds to the Department of Health; authorizing  
 16 the Agency for Health Care Administration to submit a  
 17 budget amendment to realign Medicaid funding for  
 18 specified purposes, subject to certain limitations;  
 19 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration  
 20 to submit a budget amendment to realign funding for a  
 21 specified purpose within a specified fiscal year;  
 22 specifying requirements for such realignment;  
 23 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration  
 24 and the Department of Health to each submit a budget  
 25 amendment to realign funding within the Florida

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26 Kidcare program appropriation categories and to  
 27 increase budget authority for certain purposes;  
 28 specifying the time period within which each budget  
 29 amendment must be submitted; amending s. 381.986,  
 30 F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the exemption of  
 31 certain rules pertaining to the medical use of  
 32 marijuana from certain rulemaking requirements;  
 33 amending s. 14(1), ch. 2017-232, Laws of Florida;  
 34 exempting certain rules pertaining to medical  
 35 marijuana adopted to replace emergency rules from  
 36 specified rulemaking requirements; providing for the  
 37 future expiration and reversion of specified law;  
 38 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration  
 39 to submit budget amendments seeking additional  
 40 spending authority to implement specified programs and  
 41 payments; requiring institutions participating in a  
 42 specified workforce expansion and education program to  
 43 provide quarterly reports to the agency; authorizing  
 44 the Agency for Health Care Administration to submit  
 45 budget amendments for a specified purpose; authorizing  
 46 specified spending authority; authorizing the Agency  
 47 for Health Care Administration to submit a budget  
 48 amendment seeking additional spending authority to  
 49 implement the Low Income Pool component of the Florida  
 50 Managed Medical Assistance Demonstration; requiring a

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51 signed attestation and acknowledgment for entities  
 52 relating to the Low Income Pool; authorizing the  
 53 Agency for Health Care Administration to submit a  
 54 budget amendment to implement certain payments and  
 55 specified programs; authorizing the Agency for Health  
 56 Care Administration to submit a budget amendment  
 57 requesting additional spending authority to implement  
 58 a specified program; authorizing the Agency for Health  
 59 Care Administration to submit a budget amendment to  
 60 implement a specified program; requiring such  
 61 amendment to include specified information;  
 62 authorizing the Department of Children and Families to  
 63 submit a budget amendment to realign funding within  
 64 the specified areas of the department based on  
 65 implementation of the Guardianship Assistance Program;  
 66 authorizing the Department of Children and Families,  
 67 the Department of Health, and the Agency for Health  
 68 Care Administration to submit budget amendments to  
 69 increase budget authority to support certain refugee  
 70 programs; requiring the Department of Children and  
 71 Families to submit quarterly reports to the Executive  
 72 Office of the Governor and the Legislature;  
 73 authorizing the Department of Children and Families to  
 74 submit budget amendments to increase budget authority  
 75 to support specified federal grant programs;

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76 | authorizing the Department of Health to submit a  
 77 | budget amendment to increase budget authority for the  
 78 | Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and  
 79 | Children (WIC) and the Child Care Food Program if a  
 80 | certain condition is met; authorizing the Department  
 81 | of Health to submit a budget amendment to increase  
 82 | budget authority for the HIV/AIDS Prevention and  
 83 | Treatment Program if a certain condition is met;  
 84 | authorizing the Department of Health to submit a  
 85 | budget amendment to increase budget authority for the  
 86 | department if additional federal revenues specific to  
 87 | COVID-19 relief funds become available; authorizing  
 88 | the balance of certain funds for the Pediatric Rare  
 89 | Disease Research Grant Program to be carried forward  
 90 | for a certain amount of time; requiring the Agency for  
 91 | Health Care Administration to replace the Florida  
 92 | Medicaid Management Information System (FMMIS) and  
 93 | fiscal agent operations with a specified new system;  
 94 | specifying items that may not be included in the new  
 95 | system; providing directives to the Agency for Health  
 96 | Care Administration related to the new system, the  
 97 | Florida Health Care Connection (FX) system; requiring  
 98 | the Agency for Health Care Administration to meet  
 99 | certain requirements in replacing FMMIS and the  
 100 | current Medicaid fiscal agent; requiring the Agency

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101 for Health Care Administration to implement a  
102 specified program governance structure that includes  
103 an executive steering committee; providing procedures  
104 for use by the executive steering committee; providing  
105 responsibilities of the executive steering committee;  
106 requiring the establishment of a state agency  
107 stakeholder working group; providing composition of  
108 such group; providing requirements for such group;  
109 requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration,  
110 in consultation with the Department of Health, the  
111 Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department  
112 of Children and Families, and the Department of  
113 Corrections, to competitively procure a contract with  
114 a vendor to negotiate prices for certain prescribed  
115 drugs and biological products; providing requirements  
116 for such contract; authorizing the Agency for Persons  
117 with Disabilities to submit budget amendments to  
118 transfer funding from the Salaries and Benefits  
119 appropriation categories for a specified purpose;  
120 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration,  
121 to submit a budget amendment for a specified purpose;  
122 authorizing the Department of Veterans' Affairs to  
123 submit a budget amendment, subject to Legislative  
124 Budget Commission approval, requesting certain  
125 authority; amending s. 409.915, F.S.; extending for 1

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126 | year the expiration of an exception for certain funds  
 127 | used for the hospital directed payment program;  
 128 | amending s. 394.9082, F.S.; authorizing a managing  
 129 | entity to carry forward certain unexpended funds;  
 130 | providing construction; providing an expiration date;  
 131 | authorizing the Department of Elderly Affairs to  
 132 | submit a budget amendment for a specified purpose;  
 133 | requiring certain Letters of Agreement for a specified  
 134 | fiscal year be provided to the Agency for Health Care  
 135 | Administration by a certain date for a specified  
 136 | purpose; authorizing the Department of Veterans'  
 137 | Affairs to submit budget amendments, subject to  
 138 | certain approval, for a specified purpose; amending s.  
 139 | 409.912, F.S.; authorizing certain contracts to be  
 140 | extended through a specified date; providing for the  
 141 | future expiration and reversion of specified statutory  
 142 | text; amending s. 216.262, F.S.; extending for 1  
 143 | fiscal year the authority of the Department of  
 144 | Corrections to submit a budget amendment for  
 145 | additional positions and appropriations under certain  
 146 | circumstances; amending s. 215.18, F.S.; extending for  
 147 | 1 fiscal year the authority and related repayment  
 148 | requirements for temporary trust fund loans to the  
 149 | state court system which are sufficient to meet the  
 150 | system's appropriation; requiring the Department of

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151 Juvenile Justice to review county juvenile detention  
 152 payments to determine whether a county has met  
 153 specified financial responsibilities; requiring  
 154 amounts owed by the county for such financial  
 155 responsibilities to be deducted from certain county  
 156 funds; requiring the Department of Revenue to transfer  
 157 withheld funds to a specified trust fund; requiring  
 158 the Department of Revenue to ensure that such  
 159 reductions in amounts distributed do not reduce  
 160 distributions below amounts necessary for certain  
 161 payments due on bonds and to comply with bond  
 162 covenants; requiring the Department of Revenue to  
 163 notify the Department of Juvenile Justice if bond  
 164 payment requirements mandate a reduction in deductions  
 165 for amounts owed by a county; reenacting s. 27.40(1),  
 166 (2)(a), (3)(a), (5), (6), and (7), F.S., relating to  
 167 court-appointed counsel; extending for 1 fiscal year  
 168 provisions governing the appointment of court-  
 169 appointed counsel; providing for the future expiration  
 170 and reversion of specified statutory text; reenacting  
 171 and amending s. 27.5304, F.S., relating to the  
 172 extension for 1 fiscal year limitations on  
 173 compensation for representation in criminal  
 174 proceedings; revising the maximum compensation for  
 175 certain proceedings; providing for the future

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176 expiration and reversion of specified statutory text;  
 177 amending s. 934.50, F.S.; revising entities eligible  
 178 for a certain grant; revising the basis for funds  
 179 granted; requiring certain drones be provided to the  
 180 Florida Center for Cybersecurity for a specified  
 181 purpose; requiring such center submit a report to  
 182 specified persons; providing for the return and  
 183 destruction of certain drones; providing how certain  
 184 appropriated funds may be used; extending for 1 year  
 185 the expiration of the grant program; requiring the  
 186 Department of Management Services to use tenant broker  
 187 services to renegotiate or reprocure certain private  
 188 lease agreements for office or storage space;  
 189 requiring the Department of Management Services to  
 190 provide a report to the Governor and the Legislature  
 191 by a specified date; prohibiting an agency from  
 192 transferring funds from a data processing category to  
 193 another category that is not a data processing  
 194 category; authorizing the Executive Office of the  
 195 Governor to transfer funds between departments for  
 196 purposes of aligning amounts paid for risk management  
 197 insurance and for human resources services purchased  
 198 per statewide contract; authorizing the Department of  
 199 Management Services to use certain facility  
 200 disposition funds from the Architects Incidental Trust



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201 Fund to pay for certain relocation expenses;  
 202 authorizing the Department of Management Services to  
 203 submit budget amendments for certain purposes related  
 204 to the relocation; authorizing the Department of  
 205 Management Services to acquire additional state-owned  
 206 office buildings or property for inclusion in the  
 207 Florida Facilities Pool; requiring the Department of  
 208 Financial Services to replace specified components of  
 209 the Florida Accounting Information Resource Subsystem  
 210 (FLAIR) and the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS);  
 211 specifying certain actions to be taken by the  
 212 Department of Financial Services regarding FLAIR and  
 213 CMS replacement; providing for the composition of an  
 214 executive steering committee to oversee FLAIR and CMS  
 215 replacement; prescribing duties and responsibilities  
 216 of the executive steering committee; reenacting and  
 217 amending s. 282.709(3), F.S., relating to the state  
 218 agency law enforcement radio system and  
 219 interoperability network; conforming a cross-  
 220 reference; providing for future expiration and  
 221 reversion of specified statutory text; authorizing  
 222 state agencies and other eligible users of the  
 223 Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System to use the  
 224 Department of Management Services contract to purchase  
 225 equipment and services; requiring a specified

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226 transaction fee percentage for use of the online  
 227 procurement system; amending s. 24.105, F.S.;  
 228 specifying how the Department of the Lottery's rules  
 229 are to be adopted, excluding certain rules for 1  
 230 fiscal year regarding the commission for lottery  
 231 ticket sales; limiting additional retailer  
 232 compensation in a specified manner; providing for the  
 233 future expiration and reversion of specified statutory  
 234 text; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; extending for 1 year  
 235 the specified authority of Citizens Property Insurance  
 236 Corporation; amending s. 110.116, F.S.; directing the  
 237 Department of Management Services to renew a specified  
 238 contract with a current vendor for a specified period  
 239 of time with certain conditions; requiring the  
 240 Department of Management Services submit a specified  
 241 planning and cost estimate to specified parties by a  
 242 certain date; authorizing the Executive Office of the  
 243 Governor to transfer certain funds between departments  
 244 to align costs; prohibiting certain contract  
 245 management services from exceeding a certain amount;  
 246 creating s. 284.51, F.S.; creating a specified pilot  
 247 program for a certain purpose; providing definitions;  
 248 directing the Division of Risk Management at the  
 249 Department of Financial Services to select a provider  
 250 for such program; providing program eligibility;

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251 providing requirements for choosing a provider;  
 252 authorizing rulemaking; amending s. 215.18, F.S.;  
 253 extending for 1 fiscal year certain authority to  
 254 transfer funds from other trust funds in the State  
 255 Treasury to other trust funds in certain  
 256 circumstances; requiring the Department of  
 257 Environmental Protection to transfer designated  
 258 proportions of the revenues deposited in the Land  
 259 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department to land  
 260 acquisition trust funds in the Department of  
 261 Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of  
 262 State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 263 Commission according to specified parameters and  
 264 calculations; defining the term "department";  
 265 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection  
 266 to make transfers to land acquisition trust funds  
 267 monthly; specifying the method of determining transfer  
 268 amounts; authorizing the Department of Environmental  
 269 Protection to advance funds from its land acquisition  
 270 trust fund to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 271 Commission's land acquisition trust fund for specified  
 272 purposes; reenacting s. 376.3071(15)(g), F.S.,  
 273 relating to the Inland Protection Trust Fund;  
 274 exempting specified costs incurred by certain  
 275 petroleum storage system owners or operators during a

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276 | specified period from the prohibition against making  
 277 | payments in excess of amounts approved by the  
 278 | Department of Environmental Protection; providing for  
 279 | the future expiration and reversion of specified  
 280 | statutory text; amending s. 259.105, F.S.; providing  
 281 | that proceeds from a specified trust fund shall be  
 282 | distributed as provided in the General Appropriations  
 283 | Act; authorizing the Department of Citrus to enter  
 284 | into agreements for specified purposes by a certain  
 285 | date; requiring the Department of Citrus to file  
 286 | certain information with the department's Inspector  
 287 | General; providing an expiration date; creating the  
 288 | Local Government Water Supply Pilot Grant Program  
 289 | within the Department of Environmental Protection;  
 290 | amending s. 380.5105, F.S.; revising the name of the  
 291 | working waterfronts program; providing legislative  
 292 | intent; creating a specified grant program for a  
 293 | certain purpose; providing how such grants may be  
 294 | used; requiring grant applicants demonstrate benefit  
 295 | to the local economy; requiring grant recipients  
 296 | submit certain annual reports; requiring the  
 297 | Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to  
 298 | implement a specified process; providing for the  
 299 | future expiration and reversion of specified statutory  
 300 | text; amending s. 10, ch. 2022-272, Laws of Florida;

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301 extending the Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement  
 302 Grant Program for 1 fiscal year; revising  
 303 reimbursement and cost sharing for specified projects;  
 304 authorizing specified entities to apply for certain  
 305 funds that meet specified requirements; providing  
 306 purpose of such funding; requiring funding to be  
 307 distributed in a specified manner; providing  
 308 applicability; revising the expiration date for  
 309 certain emergency rules; authorizing the Fish and  
 310 Wildlife Conservation Commission to use specified  
 311 funds to provide grants for a specified purpose;  
 312 prohibiting certain entities from amending or adopting  
 313 ordinances that restrict or prohibit the operation of  
 314 certain equipment; amending s. 403.0673, F.S.;  
 315 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection  
 316 to dedicate certain funds for a specified project;  
 317 requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer  
 318 Services to enter into agreements for a certain  
 319 purpose by a specified date; requiring certain  
 320 information be filed with the department's Inspector  
 321 General by a specified date; amending s. 321.04, F.S.;  
 322 extending for 1 fiscal year the requirement that the  
 323 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles assign  
 324 one or more patrol officers to the office of  
 325 Lieutenant Governor for security purposes, upon

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326 request of the Governor; extending for 1 fiscal year  
 327 the requirement that the Department of Highway Safety  
 328 and Motor Vehicles assign a patrol officer to a  
 329 Cabinet member under certain circumstances; amending  
 330 s. 288.80125, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year a  
 331 requirement that funds in the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust  
 332 Fund be related to Hurricane Michael recovery;  
 333 reenacting s. 288.8013, F.S., relating to the Triumph  
 334 Gulf Coast, Inc., Trust Fund; providing for the  
 335 future expiration and reversion of specified statutory  
 336 text; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; extending for 1  
 337 fiscal year the authority for the chair and vice chair  
 338 of the Legislative Budget Commission to approve  
 339 certain work program amendments under specified  
 340 circumstances; amending s. 250.245, F.S.; extending  
 341 for 1 fiscal year the Florida National Guard Joint  
 342 Enlistment Enhancement Program within the Department  
 343 of Military Affairs; amending s. 288.0655, F.S.;  
 344 extending for 1 fiscal year a requirement that certain  
 345 appropriated funds relating to the Rural  
 346 Infrastructure Fund be distributed in a specified  
 347 manner; authorizing the Division of Emergency  
 348 Management to submit budget amendments to increase  
 349 budget authority for certain expenditures; amending s.  
 350 282.201, F.S.; providing that the Division of

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351 Emergency Management is exempt from the use of the  
 352 state data center; amending s. 320.08053, F.S.;

353 requiring a certain presale period be extended for a  
 354 specified amount of time; amending s. 112.061, F.S.;

355 extending for 1 fiscal year the authorization for the  
 356 Lieutenant Governor to designate an alternative  
 357 official headquarters under certain conditions;

358 specifying restrictions, limitations, eligibility for  
 359 the subsistence allowance, reimbursement of  
 360 transportation expenses, and payment thereof;

361 requiring the Department of Management Services to  
 362 maintain and offer the same health insurance options  
 363 for participants of the State Group Health Insurance  
 364 Program for the 2024-2025 fiscal year as applied in  
 365 the preceding fiscal year; requiring the Department of  
 366 Management Services to assess an administrative health  
 367 insurance assessment on each state agency; providing  
 368 the rate of such assessment; defining the term "state  
 369 agency"; providing how a state agency shall remit  
 370 certain funds; requiring the Department of Management  
 371 Services to take certain actions in case of  
 372 delinquencies; requiring the Chief Financial Officer  
 373 to transfer funds under specified circumstances;

374 providing an exception; requiring state agencies to  
 375 provide a list of positions that qualify for such

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376 | exception by a specified date and to update the list  
 377 | monthly thereafter; requiring state agencies to  
 378 | include the administrative health insurance assessment  
 379 | in their indirect cost plan; requiring agencies to  
 380 | notify the Department of Management Services regarding  
 381 | the approval of their updated indirect cost plans;  
 382 | authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to  
 383 | transfer budget authority between agencies in  
 384 | specified circumstances; providing that the annual  
 385 | salaries of the members of the Legislature be  
 386 | maintained at a specified level; providing an  
 387 | exception; reenacting s. 215.32(2)(b), F.S., relating  
 388 | to the authorization for transferring unappropriated  
 389 | cash balances from selected trust funds to the Budget  
 390 | Stabilization Fund and General Revenue Fund; providing  
 391 | for future expiration and reversion of specific  
 392 | statutory text; specifying the type of travel which  
 393 | may be used with state employee travel funds;  
 394 | providing exceptions; providing a monetary cap on  
 395 | lodging costs for state employee travel to certain  
 396 | meetings organized or sponsored by a state agency or  
 397 | the judicial branch; authorizing employees to expend  
 398 | their own funds for lodging expenses that exceed the  
 399 | monetary caps; amending s. 216.181, F.S.; extending  
 400 | for 1 fiscal year the authority of the Legislative



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401 Budget Commission to approve budget amendments for  
 402 certain fixed capital outlay projects; amending s.  
 403 216.292, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the  
 404 requirements for certain transfers; authorizing state  
 405 agencies to purchase vehicles from nonstate term  
 406 contract vendors without prior approval from the  
 407 Department of Management Services under certain  
 408 circumstances; authorizing the Department of  
 409 Management Services, the Executive Office of the  
 410 Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief  
 411 Financial Officer, and the Attorney General to enter  
 412 into specified leases as a lessee without having to  
 413 advertise or receive competitive solicitations;  
 414 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection  
 415 to negotiate for the purchase of certain lands if  
 416 conditions are met; requiring the Department of  
 417 Environmental Protection to negotiate certain leases  
 418 with specified terms; authorizing the Executive Office  
 419 of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget to  
 420 submit a budget amendment to the Legislative Budget  
 421 Commission to realign certain funding for specified  
 422 categories by a specified date; providing requirements  
 423 for such realignment; authorizing the annual salary  
 424 rate for certain entities be controlled at the budget  
 425 entity level; amending s. 339.08, F.S.; authorizing

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426 the Department of Revenue to retain certain interest  
 427 earnings for a specified purpose; authorizing the  
 428 Department of Transportation to retain certain  
 429 interest earnings for a specified purpose; creating s.  
 430 11.52, F.S.; requiring state agencies provide  
 431 specified information by a certain date; requiring  
 432 updates to such information at certain intervals;  
 433 requiring certain entities to conduct a review of  
 434 required reports; requiring such entities to provide a  
 435 certain list containing certain information by a  
 436 specified date; amending s. 216.013, F.S.; providing  
 437 that certain entities are not required to develop  
 438 specified plans; providing an exception; amending s.  
 439 216.023, F.S.; requiring certain entities to include a  
 440 specified inventory in their legislative budget  
 441 request, requiring such inventory include specified  
 442 information; providing application; providing an  
 443 expiration date; requiring the Florida Turnpike  
 444 Enterprise to establish a certain program; providing  
 445 the purpose of such program; providing definitions;  
 446 requiring certain accounts to receive an account  
 447 credit; requiring certain funds be used to reimburse  
 448 specified entities; authorizing reimbursement of  
 449 certain entities from specified funds; requiring  
 450 specified documentation; requiring certain funds to

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451 revert to general revenue on a specified date;  
 452 providing reporting requirements; providing conditions  
 453 under which the veto of certain appropriations or  
 454 proviso language in the General Appropriations Act  
 455 voids language that implements such appropriation;  
 456 providing for the continued operation of certain  
 457 provisions notwithstanding a future repeal or  
 458 expiration provided by the act; providing  
 459 severability; providing for contingent retroactivity;  
 460 providing effective dates.

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462 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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464 Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that the  
 465 implementing and administering provisions of this act apply to  
 466 the General Appropriations Act for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

467 Section 2. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 468 5, 6, 84, and 85 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 469 the calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program for  
 470 the 2024-2025 fiscal year included in the document titled  
 471 "Public School Funding: The Florida Education Finance Program  
 472 (FEFP) Fiscal Year 2024-2025," dated March 5, 2024, and filed  
 473 with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, are incorporated  
 474 by reference for the purpose of displaying the calculations used  
 475 by the Legislature, consistent with the requirements of state

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476 law, in making appropriations for the Florida Education Finance  
 477 Program. This section expires July 1, 2025.

478 Section 3. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 81  
 479 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the school  
 480 readiness reimbursement rates for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 included  
 481 in the document titled "School Readiness Program Reimbursement  
 482 Rates Fiscal Year 2024-2025," dated March 5, 2024, and filed  
 483 with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, are incorporated  
 484 by reference, consistent with the requirements of state law, in  
 485 making appropriations for the school readiness program  
 486 allocation. This section expires July 1, 2025.

487 Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 488 158 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (10)  
 489 is added to section 1004.6495, Florida Statutes, to read:

490 1004.6495 Florida Postsecondary Comprehensive Transition  
 491 Program and Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities.—

492 (10) PROGRAM CLASSIFICATION.—No later than August 31,  
 493 2024, the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education,  
 494 in consultation with the center, shall establish a state  
 495 Classification of Instructional Program code for FPCTPs  
 496 established pursuant to this section. This subsection expires  
 497 July 1, 2025.

498 Section 5. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 499 202 through 229 and 546 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 500 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida

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501 Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration, in  
 502 consultation with the Department of Health, may submit a budget  
 503 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection  
 504 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding  
 505 within and between agencies based on implementation of the  
 506 managed medical assistance component of the Statewide Medicaid  
 507 Managed Care program for the Children's Medical Services program  
 508 of the Department of Health. The funding realignment shall  
 509 reflect the actual enrollment changes due to the transfer of  
 510 beneficiaries from fee-for-service to the capitated Children's  
 511 Medical Services network. The Agency for Health Care  
 512 Administration may submit a request for nonoperating budget  
 513 authority to transfer the federal funds to the Department of  
 514 Health pursuant to s. 216.181(12), Florida Statutes. This  
 515 section expires July 1, 2025.

516 Section 6. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 517 202 through 229 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 518 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the  
 519 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget  
 520 amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection  
 521 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding  
 522 within the Medicaid program appropriation categories to address  
 523 projected surpluses and deficits within the program and to  
 524 maximize the use of state trust funds. A single budget amendment  
 525 shall be submitted in the last quarter of the 2024-2025 fiscal

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526 year only. This section expires July 1, 2025.

527 Section 7. Effective upon this act becoming a law, and in  
 528 order to implement section 76 of the 2024-2025 General  
 529 Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding section 8 of chapter  
 530 2023-240, Laws of Florida, the Agency for Health Care  
 531 Administration is authorized to submit a budget amendment,  
 532 subject to the notice, review and objection procedures of s.  
 533 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding within the  
 534 Medicaid program appropriation categories to address projected  
 535 surpluses and deficits within the program for the 2023-2024  
 536 fiscal year. The Agency for Health Care Administration may not  
 537 realign funds to provide Medicaid reimbursements at rates above  
 538 the amounts adopted at the January 8, 2024, Social Services  
 539 Estimating Conference. This section expires July 1, 2024.

540 Section 8. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 541 181 through 186 and 546 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 542 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida  
 543 Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration and the  
 544 Department of Health may each submit a budget amendment, subject  
 545 to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,  
 546 Florida Statutes, to realign funding within the Florida Kidcare  
 547 program appropriation categories, or to increase budget  
 548 authority in the Children's Medical Services network category,  
 549 to address projected surpluses and deficits within the program  
 550 or to maximize the use of state trust funds. A single budget

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551 amendment must be submitted by each agency in the last quarter  
 552 of the 2024-2025 fiscal year only. This section expires July 1,  
 553 2025.

554 Section 9. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 555 484 through 492 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 556 subsection (17) of section 381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended  
 557 to read:

558 381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—

559 (17) Rules adopted pursuant to this section before July 1,  
 560 2025 ~~2024~~, are not subject to ss. 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541. This  
 561 subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

562 Section 10. Effective July 1, 2024, upon the expiration  
 563 and reversion of the amendments made to subsection (1) of  
 564 section 14 of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, pursuant to  
 565 section 11 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida, and in order to  
 566 implement Specific Appropriations 484 through 492 of the 2024-  
 567 2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (1) of section 14 of  
 568 chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

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

571 (1) EMERGENCY RULEMAKING.—

572 (a) The Department of Health and the applicable boards  
 573 shall adopt emergency rules pursuant to s. 120.54(4), Florida  
 574 Statutes, and this section necessary to implement s. 381.986 ~~ss.~~  
 575 ~~381.986 and 381.988~~, Florida Statutes. If an emergency rule

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576 adopted under this section is held to be unconstitutional or an  
 577 invalid exercise of delegated legislative authority, and becomes  
 578 void, the department or the applicable boards may adopt an  
 579 emergency rule pursuant to this section to replace the rule that  
 580 has become void. If the emergency rule adopted to replace the  
 581 void emergency rule is also held to be unconstitutional or an  
 582 invalid exercise of delegated legislative authority and becomes  
 583 void, the department and the applicable boards must follow the  
 584 nonemergency rulemaking procedures of the Administrative  
 585 Procedures Act to replace the rule that has become void.

586 (b) For emergency rules adopted under this section, the  
 587 department and the applicable boards need not make the findings  
 588 required by s. 120.54(4)(a), Florida Statutes. Emergency rules  
 589 adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and  
 590 120.541, Florida Statutes. The department and the applicable  
 591 boards shall meet the procedural requirements in s. 120.54(4)(a)  
 592 ~~s. 120.54(a)~~, Florida Statutes, if the department or the  
 593 applicable boards have, before July 1, 2019 ~~the effective date~~  
 594 ~~of this act~~, held any public workshops or hearings on the  
 595 subject matter of the emergency rules adopted under this  
 596 subsection. Challenges to emergency rules adopted under this  
 597 subsection are subject to the time schedules provided in s.  
 598 120.56(5), Florida Statutes.

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



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601 effect until replaced by rules adopted under the nonemergency  
 602 rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedures Act.  
 603 Rules adopted under the nonemergency rulemaking procedures of  
 604 the Administrative Procedures Act to replace emergency rules  
 605 adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and  
 606 120.541, Florida Statutes. By July 1, 2025 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the  
 607 department and the applicable boards shall initiate nonemergency  
 608 rulemaking pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act to  
 609 replace all emergency rules adopted under this section by  
 610 publishing a notice of rule development in the Florida  
 611 Administrative Register. Except as provided in paragraph (a),  
 612 after July 1, 2025 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the department and  
 613 applicable boards may not adopt rules pursuant to the emergency  
 614 rulemaking procedures provided in this section.

615 Section 11. The amendments to subsection (1) of section 14  
 616 of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, made by this act expire  
 617 July 1, 2025, and the text of that subsection shall revert to  
 618 that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments  
 619 to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved  
 620 and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are  
 621 not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to  
 622 this section.

623 Section 12. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 624 207, 208, 211, and 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 625 Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a

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626 budget amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes,  
627 requesting additional spending authority to implement the  
628 federally approved Directed Payment Program for hospitals  
629 statewide providing inpatient and outpatient services to  
630 Medicaid managed care enrollees, the Indirect Medical Education  
631 (IME) Program, and a nursing workforce expansion and education  
632 program for certain institutions participating in a graduate  
633 medical education or nursing education program. For institutions  
634 participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education  
635 program, the budget amendment must identify the educational  
636 institutions partnering with the teaching hospital. Institutions  
637 participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education  
638 program shall provide quarterly reports to the agency detailing  
639 the number of nurses participating in the program. This section  
640 expires July 1, 2025.

641       Section 13. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
642 208, 211, and 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
643 the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget  
644 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting  
645 additional spending authority to implement the federally  
646 approved Directed Payment Program and fee-for-service  
647 supplemental payments for cancer hospitals that meet the  
648 criteria in 42 U.S.C. s. 1395ww(d)(1)(B)(v). This section  
649 expires July 1, 2025.

650       Section 14. In order to implement Specific Appropriations

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651 202 through 229 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the  
 652 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget  
 653 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting  
 654 additional spending authority to implement the Low Income Pool  
 655 component of the Florida Managed Medical Assistance  
 656 Demonstration up to the total computable funds authorized by the  
 657 federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The budget  
 658 amendment must include the final terms and conditions of the Low  
 659 Income Pool, a proposed distribution model by entity, and a  
 660 listing of entities contributing intergovernmental transfers to  
 661 support the state match required. In addition, for each entity  
 662 included in the distribution model, a signed attestation must be  
 663 provided that includes the charity care cost upon which the Low  
 664 Income Pool payment is based and an acknowledgment that should  
 665 the distribution result in an overpayment based on the Low  
 666 Income Pool cost limit audit, the entity is responsible for  
 667 returning that overpayment to the agency for return to the  
 668 federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This section  
 669 expires July 1, 2025.

670 Section 15. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 671 214 and 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the  
 672 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget  
 673 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting  
 674 additional spending authority to implement fee-for-service  
 675 supplemental payments and a directed payment program for

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676 physicians and subordinate licensed health care practitioners  
 677 employed by or under contract with a Florida medical or dental  
 678 school, or a public hospital. This section expires July 1, 2025.

679 Section 16. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 680 212, 215, and 227 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 681 the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit a budget  
 682 amendment pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting  
 683 additional spending authority to implement a certified  
 684 expenditure program for emergency medical transportation  
 685 services. This section expires July 1, 2025.

686 Section 17. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 687 209 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for  
 688 Health Care Administration may submit a budget amendment  
 689 pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting additional  
 690 spending authority to implement the Disproportionate Share  
 691 Hospital Program. The budget amendment must include a proposed  
 692 distribution model by entity and a listing of entities  
 693 contributing intergovernmental transfers and certified public  
 694 expenditures to support the state match required. This section  
 695 expires July 1, 2025.

696 Section 18. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 697 330, 332, 362, and 363 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 698 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida  
 699 Statutes, the Department of Children and Families may submit a  
 700 budget amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection

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701 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding  
 702 within the department based on the implementation of the  
 703 Guardianship Assistance Program, between the specific  
 704 appropriations for guardianship assistance payments, foster care  
 705 Level 1 room and board payments, relative caregiver payments,  
 706 and nonrelative caregiver payments. This section expires July 1,  
 707 2025.

708 Section 19. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 709 202 through 204, 208, 211, 212, 214 through 216, 356, 366, 493  
 710 through 495, and 501 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 711 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida  
 712 Statutes, the Department of Children and Families, Department of  
 713 Health, and Agency for Health Care Administration may submit  
 714 budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection  
 715 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget  
 716 authority to support refugee programs administered by the  
 717 federal Office of Refugee Resettlement due to the ongoing  
 718 instability of federal immigration policy and the resulting  
 719 inability of the state to reasonably predict, with certainty,  
 720 the budgetary needs of this state with respect to the number of  
 721 refugees relocated to the state as part of those federal  
 722 programs. The Department of Children and Families shall submit  
 723 quarterly reports to the Executive Office of the Governor, the  
 724 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
 725 Representatives on the number of refugees entering the state,

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726 the nations of origin of such refugees, and current expenditure  
 727 projections. This section expires July 1, 2025.

728 Section 20. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 729 347 through 384 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 730 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the  
 731 Department of Children and Families may submit budget  
 732 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection  
 733 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget  
 734 authority to support the following federal grant programs: the  
 735 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Grant Program, the Summer  
 736 Electronic Benefit Transfer, the American Rescue Plan Grant, the  
 737 State Opioid Response Grant, the Substance Use Prevention and  
 738 Treatment Block Grant, and the Mental Health Block Grant. This  
 739 section expires July 1, 2025.

740 Section 21. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 741 458 and 460 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 742 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the  
 743 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to  
 744 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,  
 745 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the  
 746 Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children  
 747 (WIC) and the Child Care Food Program if additional federal  
 748 revenues will be expended in the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This  
 749 section expires July 1, 2025.

750 Section 22. In order to implement Specific Appropriations

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751 470 and 522 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
752 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the  
753 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to  
754 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,  
755 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the HIV/AIDS  
756 Prevention and Treatment Program if additional federal revenues  
757 specific to HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment become available  
758 in the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2025.

759 Section 23. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
760 427 through 578 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
761 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the  
762 Department of Health may submit a budget amendment, subject to  
763 the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177,  
764 Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the  
765 department if additional federal revenues specific to COVID-19  
766 relief funds become available in the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This  
767 section expires July 1, 2025.

768 Section 24. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
769 546A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
770 notwithstanding s. 216.301, Florida Statutes, and pursuant to s.  
771 216.351, Florida Statutes, the balance of any appropriation from  
772 the General Revenue Fund for the Pediatric Rare Disease Research  
773 Grant Program, which is not disbursed but which is obligated  
774 pursuant to contract or committed to be expended by June 30 of  
775 the fiscal year in which the funds are appropriated, may be

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776 carried forward for up to 5 years after the effective date of  
 777 the original appropriation. This section expires July 1, 2025.

778 Section 25. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 779 196 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

780 (1) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall  
 781 replace the current Florida Medicaid Management Information  
 782 System (FMMIS) and fiscal agent operations with a system that is  
 783 modular, interoperable, and scalable for the Florida Medicaid  
 784 program that complies with all applicable federal and state laws  
 785 and requirements. The agency may not include in the program to  
 786 replace the current FMMIS and fiscal agent contract:

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

789 (b) Procurement for agency requirements external to  
 790 Medicaid programs with the intent to leverage the Medicaid  
 791 technology infrastructure for other purposes without legislative  
 792 appropriation or legislative authorization to procure these  
 793 requirements. The new system, the Florida Health Care Connection  
 794 (FX) system, must provide better integration with subsystems  
 795 supporting Florida's Medicaid program; uniformity, consistency,  
 796 and improved access to data; and compatibility with the Centers  
 797 for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Medicaid Information  
 798 Technology Architecture (MITA) as the system matures and expands  
 799 its functionality; or

800 (c) Any contract executed after July 1, 2022, not



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801 including staff augmentation services purchased off the  
 802 Department of Management Services Information Technology staff  
 803 augmentation state term contract that are not deliverables based  
 804 fixed price contracts.

805 (2) For purposes of replacing FMMIS and the current  
 806 Medicaid fiscal agent, the Agency for Health Care Administration  
 807 shall:

808 (a) Prioritize procurements for the replacement of the  
 809 current functions of FMMIS and the responsibilities of the  
 810 current Medicaid fiscal agent, to minimize the need to extend  
 811 all or portions of the current fiscal agent contract.

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

814 (c) Ensure compliance and uniformity with the published  
 815 MITA framework and guidelines.

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

820 (e) Consult with the Executive Office of the Governor's  
 821 working group for interagency information technology integration  
 822 for the development of competitive solicitations that provide  
 823 for data interoperability and shared information technology  
 824 services across the state's health and human services agencies.

825 (f) Implement a data governance structure for the program

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826 to coordinate data sharing and interoperability across state  
 827 health care entities.

828 (g) Establish a continuing oversight team for each  
 829 contract pursuant to s. 287.057(26). The teams must provide  
 830 quarterly reports to the executive steering committee  
 831 summarizing the status of the contract, the pace of  
 832 deliverables, the quality of deliverables, contractor  
 833 responsiveness, and contractor performance.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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851 Administration.

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

854 (3)(a) The Secretary of Health Care Administration or the  
 855 executive sponsor of the program shall serve as chair of the  
 856 executive steering committee, and the committee shall take  
 857 action by a vote of at least 5 affirmative votes with the chair  
 858 voting on the prevailing side. A quorum of the executive  
 859 steering committee consists of at least 5 members.

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

862 a. The FX program director.

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

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

867 d. Representatives from each continuing oversight team.

868 e. The FX program strategic roadmap manager.

869 f. The FX program project managers.

870 g. The FX program risk manager.

871 h. Any other personnel deemed necessary by the chair.

872 2. The working group shall meet at least monthly to review  
 873 the program status and all contract and program operations,  
 874 policies, risks and issues related to the budget, spending plans  
 875 and contractual obligations, and shall develop recommendations

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876 to the executive steering committee for improvement. The working  
 877 group shall review all change requests that impact the program's  
 878 scope, schedule, or budget related to contract management and  
 879 vendor payments and submit those recommended for adoption to the  
 880 executive steering committee. The chair shall request input from  
 881 the working group on agenda items for each scheduled meeting.  
 882 The program shall make available program staff to the group, as  
 883 needed, for the group to fulfill its duties.

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

886 a. The executive sponsor of the FX program.

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

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

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

894 e. A representative from the Florida Healthy Kids  
 895 Corporation.

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

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

900 h. A representative of the Department of Financial

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901 Services who has experience with the state's financial  
902 processes, including development of the PALM system, appointed  
903 by the Chief Financial Officer.

904 2. The working group shall meet at least quarterly to  
905 review the program status and all program operations, policies,  
906 risks and issues that may impact the operations external to the  
907 Agency for Health Care Administration FX program, and shall  
908 develop recommendations to the executive steering committee for  
909 improvement. The chair shall request input from the working  
910 group on agenda items for each scheduled meeting. The program  
911 shall make available program staff to the group to provide  
912 system demonstrations and any program documentation, as needed,  
913 for the group to fulfill its duties.

914 (4) The executive steering committee has the overall  
915 responsibility for ensuring that the program to replace FMMIS  
916 and the Medicaid fiscal agent meets its primary business  
917 objectives and shall:

918 (a) Identify and recommend to the Executive Office of the  
919 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
920 House of Representatives any statutory changes needed to  
921 implement the modular replacement to standardize, to the fullest  
922 extent possible, the state's health care data and business  
923 processes.

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

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

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

931 (e) Review recommendations provided by the program working  
 932 groups.

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

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

937 (h) Approve all major program deliverables.

938 (i) Review and verify that all procurement and contractual  
 939 documents associated with the replacement of the current FMMIS  
 940 and Medicaid fiscal agent align with the scope, schedule, and  
 941 anticipated budget for the program.

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

943 Section 26. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 944 215, 216, 270, 282, 342, 497, and 522 of the 2024-2025 General  
 945 Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration,  
 946 in consultation with the Department of Health, the Agency for  
 947 Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Children and  
 948 Families, and the Department of Corrections, shall competitively  
 949 procure a contract with a vendor to negotiate, for these  
 950 agencies, prices for prescribed drugs and biological products

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951 excluded from the programs established under s. 381.02035,  
952 Florida Statutes, and ineligible under 21 U.S.C. s. 384,  
953 including, but not limited to, insulin and epinephrine. The  
954 contract may allow the vendor to directly purchase these  
955 products for participating agencies when feasible and  
956 advantageous. The contracted vendor will be compensated on a  
957 contingency basis, paid from a portion of the savings achieved  
958 by its price negotiation or purchase of the prescription drugs  
959 and products. This section expires July 1, 2025.

960 Section 27. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
961 262, 268, 269, 275, 280, and 281 of the 2024-2025 General  
962 Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292,  
963 Florida Statutes, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may  
964 submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and  
965 objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to  
966 transfer funding from the Salaries and Benefits appropriation  
967 categories to categories used for contractual services in order  
968 to support additional staff augmentation resources needed at the  
969 Developmental Disability Centers. This section expires July 1,  
970 2025.

971 Section 28. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
972 223 and 247 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
973 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the  
974 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget  
975 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection

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976 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, at least 3 days  
 977 before the effective date of the action to increase budget  
 978 authority to support the implementation of the home and  
 979 community-based services Medicaid waiver program of the Agency  
 980 for Persons with Disabilities. This section expires July 1,  
 981 2025.

982 Section 29. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 983 579 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 984 notwithstanding chapter 216, Florida Statutes, the Department of  
 985 Veterans' Affairs may submit a budget amendment, subject to  
 986 Legislative Budget Commission approval, requesting the authority  
 987 to establish positions in excess of the number authorized by the  
 988 Legislature, increase appropriations from the Operations and  
 989 Maintenance Trust Fund, or provide necessary salary rate  
 990 sufficient to provide for essential staff for veterans' nursing  
 991 homes, if the department projects that additional direct care  
 992 staff are needed to meet its established staffing ratio. This  
 993 section expires July 1, 2025.

994 Section 30. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 995 215 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (1)  
 996 of section 409.915, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

997 409.915 County contributions to Medicaid.—Although the  
 998 state is responsible for the full portion of the state share of  
 999 the matching funds required for the Medicaid program, the state  
 1000 shall charge the counties an annual contribution in order to



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1001 acquire a certain portion of these funds.

1002 (1)(a) As used in this section, the term "state Medicaid  
1003 expenditures" means those expenditures used as matching funds  
1004 for the federal Medicaid program.

1005 (b) The term does not include funds specially assessed by  
1006 any local governmental entity and used as the nonfederal share  
1007 for the hospital directed payment program after July 1, 2021.  
1008 This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1009 Section 31. Effective upon this act becoming a law, and in  
1010 order to implement Specific Appropriations 374, 375A, 376, 377,  
1011 and 384A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph  
1012 (c) is added to subsection (9) of section 394.9082, Florida  
1013 Statutes, to read:

1014 394.9082 Behavioral health managing entities.—

1015 (9) FUNDING FOR MANAGING ENTITIES.—

1016 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), for the 2023-2024  
1017 fiscal year and the 2024-2025 fiscal year, a managing entity may  
1018 carry forward documented unexpended funds appropriated from the  
1019 State Opioid Settlement Trust Fund from 1 fiscal year to the  
1020 next. Funds carried forward pursuant to this paragraph are not  
1021 included in the 8 percent cumulative cap that may be carried  
1022 forward. This paragraph expires July 1, 2025.

1023 Section 32. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
1024 401 and 403 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
1025 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the

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1026 Department of Elderly Affairs may submit a budget amendment,  
 1027 subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s.  
 1028 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the  
 1029 U.S. Department of Agriculture's Adult Care Food Program if  
 1030 additional federal revenues will be expended in the 2024-2025  
 1031 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1032 Section 33. Effective upon becoming a law, and in order to  
 1033 implement Specific Appropriations 208, 211, and 215 of the 2024-  
 1034 2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s.  
 1035 409.908(1)(a), Florida Statutes, executed Letters of Agreement  
 1036 for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 shall be provided to the Agency for  
 1037 Health Care Administration by June 1, 2024, to support the state  
 1038 share of payments for the Directed Payment Program for hospitals  
 1039 in Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Region 5. This section  
 1040 expires October 1, 2024.

1041 Section 34. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 1042 587A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Department  
 1043 of Veterans' Affairs may submit budget amendments pursuant to  
 1044 chapter 216 Florida Statutes, subject to federal approval,  
 1045 requesting additional spending authority to support the  
 1046 development and construction of a new State Veterans Nursing  
 1047 Home and Adult Day Health Care Center in Collier County. This  
 1048 section expires July 1, 2025.

1049 Section 35. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 1050 197 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (6)

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1051 of section 409.912, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:  
 1052       409.912 Cost-effective purchasing of health care.—The  
 1053 agency shall purchase goods and services for Medicaid recipients  
 1054 in the most cost-effective manner consistent with the delivery  
 1055 of quality medical care. To ensure that medical services are  
 1056 effectively utilized, the agency may, in any case, require a  
 1057 confirmation or second physician's opinion of the correct  
 1058 diagnosis for purposes of authorizing future services under the  
 1059 Medicaid program. This section does not restrict access to  
 1060 emergency services or poststabilization care services as defined  
 1061 in 42 C.F.R. s. 438.114. Such confirmation or second opinion  
 1062 shall be rendered in a manner approved by the agency. The agency  
 1063 shall maximize the use of prepaid per capita and prepaid  
 1064 aggregate fixed-sum basis services when appropriate and other  
 1065 alternative service delivery and reimbursement methodologies,  
 1066 including competitive bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, designed  
 1067 to facilitate the cost-effective purchase of a case-managed  
 1068 continuum of care. The agency shall also require providers to  
 1069 minimize the exposure of recipients to the need for acute  
 1070 inpatient, custodial, and other institutional care and the  
 1071 inappropriate or unnecessary use of high-cost services. The  
 1072 agency shall contract with a vendor to monitor and evaluate the  
 1073 clinical practice patterns of providers in order to identify  
 1074 trends that are outside the normal practice patterns of a  
 1075 provider's professional peers or the national guidelines of a

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1076 provider's professional association. The vendor must be able to  
 1077 provide information and counseling to a provider whose practice  
 1078 patterns are outside the norms, in consultation with the agency,  
 1079 to improve patient care and reduce inappropriate utilization.  
 1080 The agency may mandate prior authorization, drug therapy  
 1081 management, or disease management participation for certain  
 1082 populations of Medicaid beneficiaries, certain drug classes, or  
 1083 particular drugs to prevent fraud, abuse, overuse, and possible  
 1084 dangerous drug interactions. The Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics  
 1085 Committee shall make recommendations to the agency on drugs for  
 1086 which prior authorization is required. The agency shall inform  
 1087 the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee of its decisions  
 1088 regarding drugs subject to prior authorization. The agency is  
 1089 authorized to limit the entities it contracts with or enrolls as  
 1090 Medicaid providers by developing a provider network through  
 1091 provider credentialing. The agency may competitively bid single-  
 1092 source-provider contracts if procurement of goods or services  
 1093 results in demonstrated cost savings to the state without  
 1094 limiting access to care. The agency may limit its network based  
 1095 on the assessment of beneficiary access to care, provider  
 1096 availability, provider quality standards, time and distance  
 1097 standards for access to care, the cultural competence of the  
 1098 provider network, demographic characteristics of Medicaid  
 1099 beneficiaries, practice and provider-to-beneficiary standards,  
 1100 appointment wait times, beneficiary use of services, provider

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1101 turnover, provider profiling, provider licensure history,  
 1102 previous program integrity investigations and findings, peer  
 1103 review, provider Medicaid policy and billing compliance records,  
 1104 clinical and medical record audits, and other factors. Providers  
 1105 are not entitled to enrollment in the Medicaid provider network.  
 1106 The agency shall determine instances in which allowing Medicaid  
 1107 beneficiaries to purchase durable medical equipment and other  
 1108 goods is less expensive to the Medicaid program than long-term  
 1109 rental of the equipment or goods. The agency may establish rules  
 1110 to facilitate purchases in lieu of long-term rentals in order to  
 1111 protect against fraud and abuse in the Medicaid program as  
 1112 defined in s. 409.913. The agency may seek federal waivers  
 1113 necessary to administer these policies.

1114 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 287, the  
 1115 agency may, at its discretion, renew a contract or contracts for  
 1116 fiscal intermediary services one or more times for such periods  
 1117 as the agency may decide; however, all such renewals may not  
 1118 combine to exceed a total period longer than the term of the  
 1119 original contract, with the exception of the fiscal agent  
 1120 contract scheduled to end December 31, 2024, which may be  
 1121 extended by the agency through December 31, 2027.

1122 Section 36. The amendment to s. 409.912(6), Florida  
 1123 Statutes, by this act expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that  
 1124 subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2024,  
 1125 except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by

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1126 | this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the  
 1127 | extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions  
 1128 | of text which expire pursuant to this section.

1129 | Section 37. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1130 | 608 through 719A and 733 through 768 of the 2024-2025 General  
 1131 | Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 216.262, Florida  
 1132 | Statutes, is amended to read:

1133 | 216.262 Authorized positions.—

1134 | (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter  
 1135 | relating to increasing the number of authorized positions, and  
 1136 | for the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, if the actual  
 1137 | inmate population of the Department of Corrections exceeds the  
 1138 | inmate population projections of the December 15, ~~February 13,~~  
 1139 | 2023, Criminal Justice Estimating Conference by 1 percent for 2  
 1140 | consecutive months or 2 percent for any month, the Executive  
 1141 | Office of the Governor, with the approval of the Legislative  
 1142 | Budget Commission, shall immediately notify the Criminal Justice  
 1143 | Estimating Conference, which shall convene as soon as possible  
 1144 | to revise the estimates. The Department of Corrections may then  
 1145 | submit a budget amendment requesting the establishment of  
 1146 | positions in excess of the number authorized by the Legislature  
 1147 | and additional appropriations from unallocated general revenue  
 1148 | sufficient to provide for essential staff, fixed capital  
 1149 | improvements, and other resources to provide classification,  
 1150 | security, food services, health services, and other variable

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1151 expenses within the institutions to accommodate the estimated  
 1152 increase in the inmate population. All actions taken pursuant to  
 1153 this subsection are subject to review and approval by the  
 1154 Legislative Budget Commission. This subsection expires July 1,  
 1155 2025 ~~2024~~.

1156 Section 38. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1157 3267 through 3334 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 1158 subsection (2) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended  
 1159 to read:

1160 215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

1161 (2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may receive one  
 1162 or more trust fund loans to ensure that the state court system  
 1163 has funds sufficient to meet its appropriations in the 2024-2025  
 1164 ~~2023-2024~~ General Appropriations Act. If the Chief Justice  
 1165 accesses the loan, he or she must notify the Governor and the  
 1166 chairs of the legislative appropriations committees in writing.  
 1167 The loan must come from other funds in the State Treasury which  
 1168 are for the time being or otherwise in excess of the amounts  
 1169 necessary to meet the just requirements of such last-mentioned  
 1170 funds. The Governor shall order the transfer of funds within 5  
 1171 days after the written notification from the Chief Justice. If  
 1172 the Governor does not order the transfer, the Chief Financial  
 1173 Officer shall transfer the requested funds. The loan of funds  
 1174 from which any money is temporarily transferred must be repaid  
 1175 by the end of the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year. This

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1176 subsection expires July 1, ~~2025~~ 2024.

1177 Section 39. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1178 1150 through 1161 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

1179 (1) The Department of Juvenile Justice is required to  
 1180 review county juvenile detention payments to ensure that  
 1181 counties fulfill their financial responsibilities required in s.  
 1182 985.6865, Florida Statutes. If the Department of Juvenile  
 1183 Justice determines that a county has not met its obligations,  
 1184 the department shall direct the Department of Revenue to deduct  
 1185 the amount owed to the Department of Juvenile Justice from the  
 1186 funds provided to the county under s. 218.23, Florida Statutes.  
 1187 The Department of Revenue shall transfer the funds withheld to  
 1188 the Shared County/State Juvenile Detention Trust Fund.

1189 (2) As an assurance to holders of bonds issued by counties  
 1190 before July 1, 2024, for which distributions made pursuant to s.  
 1191 218.23, Florida Statutes, are pledged, or bonds issued to refund  
 1192 such bonds which mature no later than the bonds they refunded  
 1193 and which result in a reduction of debt service payable in each  
 1194 fiscal year, the amount available for distribution to a county  
 1195 shall remain as provided by law and continue to be subject to  
 1196 any lien or claim on behalf of the bondholders. The Department  
 1197 of Revenue must ensure, based on information provided by an  
 1198 affected county, that any reduction in amounts distributed  
 1199 pursuant to subsection (1) does not reduce the amount of  
 1200 distribution to a county below the amount necessary for the



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1201 timely payment of principal and interest when due on the bonds  
 1202 and the amount necessary to comply with any covenant under the  
 1203 bond resolution or other documents relating to the issuance of  
 1204 the bonds. If a reduction to a county's monthly distribution  
 1205 must be decreased in order to comply with this section, the  
 1206 Department of Revenue must notify the Department of Juvenile  
 1207 Justice of the amount of the decrease, and the Department of  
 1208 Juvenile Justice must send a bill for payment of such amount to  
 1209 the affected county.

1210 (3) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1211 Section 40. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1212 779 through 801, 950 through 1093, and 1114 through 1149 of the  
 1213 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the  
 1214 expiration date in section 32 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of  
 1215 Florida, subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (2),  
 1216 paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsections (5), (6), and  
 1217 (7) of section 27.40, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

1218 27.40 Court-appointed counsel; circuit registries; minimum  
 1219 requirements; appointment by court.—

1220 (1) Counsel shall be appointed to represent any individual  
 1221 in a criminal or civil proceeding entitled to court-appointed  
 1222 counsel under the Federal or State Constitution or as authorized  
 1223 by general law. The court shall appoint a public defender to  
 1224 represent indigent persons as authorized in s. 27.51. The office  
 1225 of criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall be

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1226 appointed to represent persons in those cases in which provision  
 1227 is made for court-appointed counsel, but only after the public  
 1228 defender has certified to the court in writing that the public  
 1229 defender is unable to provide representation due to a conflict  
 1230 of interest or is not authorized to provide representation. The  
 1231 public defender shall report, in the aggregate, the specific  
 1232 basis of all conflicts of interest certified to the court. On a  
 1233 quarterly basis, the public defender shall submit this  
 1234 information to the Justice Administrative Commission.

1235 (2)(a) Private counsel shall be appointed to represent  
 1236 persons in those cases in which provision is made for court-  
 1237 appointed counsel but only after the office of criminal conflict  
 1238 and civil regional counsel has been appointed and has certified  
 1239 to the court in writing that the criminal conflict and civil  
 1240 regional counsel is unable to provide representation due to a  
 1241 conflict of interest. The criminal conflict and civil regional  
 1242 counsel shall report, in the aggregate, the specific basis of  
 1243 all conflicts of interest certified to the court. On a quarterly  
 1244 basis, the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel shall  
 1245 submit this information to the Justice Administrative  
 1246 Commission.

1247 (3) In using a registry:

1248 (a) The chief judge of the circuit shall compile a list of  
 1249 attorneys in private practice, by county and by category of  
 1250 cases, and provide the list to the clerk of court in each

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1251 county. The chief judge of the circuit may restrict the number  
 1252 of attorneys on the general registry list. To be included on a  
 1253 registry, an attorney must certify that he or she:

- 1254 1. Meets any minimum requirements established by the chief  
 1255 judge and by general law for court appointment;
- 1256 2. Is available to represent indigent defendants in cases  
 1257 requiring court appointment of private counsel; and
- 1258 3. Is willing to abide by the terms of the contract for  
 1259 services, s. 27.5304, and this section.

1260  
 1261 To be included on a registry, an attorney must enter into a  
 1262 contract for services with the Justice Administrative  
 1263 Commission. Failure to comply with the terms of the contract for  
 1264 services may result in termination of the contract and removal  
 1265 from the registry. Each attorney on the registry is responsible  
 1266 for notifying the clerk of the court and the Justice  
 1267 Administrative Commission of any change in his or her status.  
 1268 Failure to comply with this requirement is cause for termination  
 1269 of the contract for services and removal from the registry until  
 1270 the requirement is fulfilled.

1271 (5) The Justice Administrative Commission shall approve  
 1272 uniform contract forms for use in procuring the services of  
 1273 private court-appointed counsel and uniform procedures and forms  
 1274 for use by a court-appointed attorney in support of billing for  
 1275 attorney's fees, costs, and related expenses to demonstrate the

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1276 attorney's completion of specified duties. Such uniform  
 1277 contracts and forms for use in billing must be consistent with  
 1278 s. 27.5304, s. 216.311, and the General Appropriations Act and  
 1279 must contain the following statement: "The State of Florida's  
 1280 performance and obligation to pay under this contract is  
 1281 contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature."

1282 (6) After court appointment, the attorney must immediately  
 1283 file a notice of appearance with the court indicating acceptance  
 1284 of the appointment to represent the defendant and of the terms  
 1285 of the uniform contract as specified in subsection (5).

1286 (7)(a) A private attorney appointed by the court from the  
 1287 registry to represent a client is entitled to payment as  
 1288 provided in s. 27.5304 so long as the requirements of subsection  
 1289 (1) and paragraph (2)(a) are met. An attorney appointed by the  
 1290 court who is not on the registry list may be compensated under  
 1291 s. 27.5304 only if the court finds in the order of appointment  
 1292 that there were no registry attorneys available for  
 1293 representation for that case and only if the requirements of  
 1294 subsection (1) and paragraph (2)(a) are met.

1295 (b)1. The flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the  
 1296 General Appropriations Act shall be presumed by the court to be  
 1297 sufficient compensation. The attorney shall maintain appropriate  
 1298 documentation, including contemporaneous and detailed hourly  
 1299 accounting of time spent representing the client. If the  
 1300 attorney fails to maintain such contemporaneous and detailed

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1301 hourly records, the attorney waives the right to seek  
 1302 compensation in excess of the flat fee established in s. 27.5304  
 1303 and the General Appropriations Act. These records and documents  
 1304 are subject to review by the Justice Administrative Commission  
 1305 and audit by the Auditor General, subject to the attorney-client  
 1306 privilege and work-product privilege. The attorney shall  
 1307 maintain the records and documents in a manner that enables the  
 1308 attorney to redact any information subject to a privilege in  
 1309 order to facilitate the commission's review of the records and  
 1310 documents and not to impede such review. The attorney may redact  
 1311 information from the records and documents only to the extent  
 1312 necessary to comply with the privilege. The Justice  
 1313 Administrative Commission shall review such records and shall  
 1314 contemporaneously document such review before authorizing  
 1315 payment to an attorney. Objections by or on behalf of the  
 1316 Justice Administrative Commission to records or documents or to  
 1317 claims for payment by the attorney shall be presumed correct by  
 1318 the court unless the court determines, in writing, that  
 1319 competent and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming  
 1320 the presumption.

1321 2. If an attorney fails, refuses, or declines to permit  
 1322 the commission or the Auditor General to review documentation  
 1323 for a case as provided in this paragraph, the attorney waives  
 1324 the right to seek, and the commission may not pay, compensation  
 1325 in excess of the flat fee established in s. 27.5304 and the

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1326 General Appropriations Act for that case.

1327         3. A finding by the commission that an attorney has waived  
 1328 the right to seek compensation in excess of the flat fee  
 1329 established in s. 27.5304 and the General Appropriations Act, as  
 1330 provided in this paragraph, shall be presumed to be correct,  
 1331 unless the court determines, in writing, that competent and  
 1332 substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the  
 1333 presumption.

1334         Section 41. The text of s. 27.40(1), (2)(a), (3)(a), (5),  
 1335 (6), and (7), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter  
 1336 2019-116, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2025,  
 1337 and the text of those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable,  
 1338 shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that  
 1339 any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall  
 1340 be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such  
 1341 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which  
 1342 expire pursuant to this section.

1343         Section 42. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1344 779 through 801, 950 through 1093, and 1114 through 1149 of the  
 1345 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the  
 1346 expiration date in section 34 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of  
 1347 Florida, subsection (13) of section 27.5304, Florida Statutes,  
 1348 is amended, and subsections (1), (3), (6), (7), and (11), and  
 1349 paragraphs (a) through (e) of subsection (12) of that section  
 1350 are reenacted, to read:

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1351           27.5304 Private court-appointed counsel; compensation;  
1352 notice.—

1353           (1) Private court-appointed counsel appointed in the  
1354 manner prescribed in s. 27.40(1) and (2) (a) shall be compensated  
1355 by the Justice Administrative Commission only as provided in  
1356 this section and the General Appropriations Act. The flat fees  
1357 prescribed in this section are limitations on compensation. The  
1358 specific flat fee amounts for compensation shall be established  
1359 annually in the General Appropriations Act. The attorney also  
1360 shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses in  
1361 accordance with s. 29.007. If the attorney is representing a  
1362 defendant charged with more than one offense in the same case,  
1363 the attorney shall be compensated at the rate provided for the  
1364 most serious offense for which he or she represented the  
1365 defendant. This section does not allow stacking of the fee  
1366 limits established by this section.

1367           (3) The court retains primary authority and responsibility  
1368 for determining the reasonableness of all billings for attorney  
1369 fees, costs, and related expenses, subject to statutory  
1370 limitations and the requirements of s. 27.40(7). Private court-  
1371 appointed counsel is entitled to compensation upon final  
1372 disposition of a case.

1373           (6) For compensation for representation pursuant to a  
1374 court appointment in a proceeding under chapter 39:

1375           (a) At the trial level, compensation for representation

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1376 for dependency proceedings shall not exceed \$1,450 for the first  
 1377 year following the date of appointment and shall not exceed \$700  
 1378 each year thereafter. Compensation shall be paid based upon  
 1379 representation of a parent irrespective of the number of case  
 1380 numbers that may be assigned or the number of children involved,  
 1381 including any children born during the pendency of the  
 1382 proceeding. Any appeal, except for an appeal from an  
 1383 adjudication of dependency, shall be completed by the trial  
 1384 attorney and is considered compensated by the flat fee for  
 1385 dependency proceedings.

1386 1. Counsel may bill the flat fee not exceeding \$1,450  
 1387 following disposition or upon dismissal of the petition.

1388 2. Counsel may bill the annual flat fee not exceeding \$700  
 1389 following the first judicial review in the second year following  
 1390 the date of appointment and each year thereafter as long as the  
 1391 case remains under protective supervision.

1392 3. If the court grants a motion to reactivate protective  
 1393 supervision, the attorney shall receive the annual flat fee not  
 1394 exceeding \$700 following the first judicial review and up to an  
 1395 additional \$700 each year thereafter.

1396 4. If, during the course of dependency proceedings, a  
 1397 proceeding to terminate parental rights is initiated,  
 1398 compensation shall be as set forth in paragraph (b). If counsel  
 1399 handling the dependency proceeding is not authorized to handle  
 1400 proceedings to terminate parental rights, the counsel must



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1401 withdraw and new counsel must be appointed.

1402 (b) At the trial level, compensation for representation in  
 1403 termination of parental rights proceedings shall not exceed  
 1404 \$1,800 for the first year following the date of appointment and  
 1405 shall not exceed \$700 each year thereafter. Compensation shall  
 1406 be paid based upon representation of a parent irrespective of  
 1407 the number of case numbers that may be assigned or the number of  
 1408 children involved, including any children born during the  
 1409 pendency of the proceeding. Any appeal, except for an appeal  
 1410 from an order granting or denying termination of parental  
 1411 rights, shall be completed by trial counsel and is considered  
 1412 compensated by the flat fee for termination of parental rights  
 1413 proceedings. If the individual has dependency proceedings  
 1414 ongoing as to other children, those proceedings are considered  
 1415 part of the termination of parental rights proceedings as long  
 1416 as that termination of parental rights proceeding is ongoing.

1417 1. Counsel may bill the flat fee not exceeding \$1,800 30  
 1418 days after rendition of the final order. Each request for  
 1419 payment submitted to the Justice Administrative Commission must  
 1420 include the trial counsel's certification that:

1421 a. Counsel discussed grounds for appeal with the parent or  
 1422 that counsel attempted and was unable to contact the parent; and

1423 b. No appeal will be filed or that a notice of appeal and  
 1424 a motion for appointment of appellate counsel, containing the  
 1425 signature of the parent, have been filed.

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1426           2. Counsel may bill the annual flat fee not exceeding \$700  
 1427 following the first judicial review in the second year after the  
 1428 date of appointment and each year thereafter as long as the  
 1429 termination of parental rights proceedings are still ongoing.

1430           (c) For appeals from an adjudication of dependency,  
 1431 compensation may not exceed \$1,800.

1432           1. Counsel may bill a flat fee not exceeding \$1,200 upon  
 1433 filing the initial brief or the granting of a motion to  
 1434 withdraw.

1435           2. If a brief is filed, counsel may bill an additional  
 1436 flat fee not exceeding \$600 upon rendition of the mandate.

1437           (d) For an appeal from an adjudication of termination of  
 1438 parental rights, compensation may not exceed \$3,500.

1439           1. Counsel may bill a flat fee not exceeding \$1,750 upon  
 1440 filing the initial brief or the granting of a motion to  
 1441 withdraw.

1442           2. If a brief is filed, counsel may bill an additional  
 1443 flat fee not exceeding \$1,750 upon rendition of the mandate.

1444           (7) Counsel eligible to receive compensation from the  
 1445 state for representation pursuant to court appointment made in  
 1446 accordance with the requirements of s. 27.40(1) and (2) (a) in a  
 1447 proceeding under chapter 384, chapter 390, chapter 392, chapter  
 1448 393, chapter 394, chapter 397, chapter 415, chapter 743, chapter  
 1449 744, or chapter 984 shall receive compensation not to exceed the  
 1450 limits prescribed in the General Appropriations Act. Any such

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1451 compensation must be determined as provided in s. 27.40(7).

1452 (11) It is the intent of the Legislature that the flat  
 1453 fees prescribed under this section and the General  
 1454 Appropriations Act comprise the full and complete compensation  
 1455 for private court-appointed counsel. It is further the intent of  
 1456 the Legislature that the fees in this section are prescribed for  
 1457 the purpose of providing counsel with notice of the limit on the  
 1458 amount of compensation for representation in particular  
 1459 proceedings and the sole procedure and requirements for  
 1460 obtaining payment for the same.

1461 (a) If court-appointed counsel moves to withdraw prior to  
 1462 the full performance of his or her duties through the completion  
 1463 of the case, the court shall presume that the attorney is not  
 1464 entitled to the payment of the full flat fee established under  
 1465 this section and the General Appropriations Act.

1466 (b) If court-appointed counsel is allowed to withdraw from  
 1467 representation prior to the full performance of his or her  
 1468 duties through the completion of the case and the court appoints  
 1469 a subsequent attorney, the total compensation for the initial  
 1470 and any and all subsequent attorneys may not exceed the flat fee  
 1471 established under this section and the General Appropriations  
 1472 Act, except as provided in subsection (12).

1473  
 1474 This subsection constitutes notice to any subsequently appointed  
 1475 attorney that he or she will not be compensated the full flat

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1476 fee.

1477 (12) The Legislature recognizes that on rare occasions an  
 1478 attorney may receive a case that requires extraordinary and  
 1479 unusual effort.

1480 (a) If counsel seeks compensation that exceeds the limits  
 1481 prescribed by law, he or she must file a motion with the chief  
 1482 judge for an order approving payment of attorney fees in excess  
 1483 of these limits.

1484 1. Before filing the motion, the counsel shall deliver a  
 1485 copy of the intended billing, together with supporting  
 1486 affidavits and all other necessary documentation, to the Justice  
 1487 Administrative Commission.

1488 2. The Justice Administrative Commission shall review the  
 1489 billings, affidavit, and documentation for completeness and  
 1490 compliance with contractual and statutory requirements and shall  
 1491 contemporaneously document such review before authorizing  
 1492 payment to an attorney. If the Justice Administrative Commission  
 1493 objects to any portion of the proposed billing, the objection  
 1494 and supporting reasons must be communicated in writing to the  
 1495 private court-appointed counsel. The counsel may thereafter file  
 1496 his or her motion, which must specify whether the commission  
 1497 objects to any portion of the billing or the sufficiency of  
 1498 documentation, and shall attach the commission's letter stating  
 1499 its objection.

1500 (b) Following receipt of the motion to exceed the fee

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1501 | limits, the chief judge or a single designee shall hold an  
1502 | evidentiary hearing. The chief judge may select only one judge  
1503 | per circuit to hear and determine motions pursuant to this  
1504 | subsection, except multicounty circuits and the eleventh circuit  
1505 | may have up to two designees.

1506 |         1. At the hearing, the attorney seeking compensation must  
1507 | prove by competent and substantial evidence that the case  
1508 | required extraordinary and unusual efforts. The chief judge or  
1509 | single designee shall consider criteria such as the number of  
1510 | witnesses, the complexity of the factual and legal issues, and  
1511 | the length of trial. The fact that a trial was conducted in a  
1512 | case does not, by itself, constitute competent substantial  
1513 | evidence of an extraordinary and unusual effort. In a criminal  
1514 | case, relief under this section may not be granted if the number  
1515 | of work hours does not exceed 75 or the number of the state's  
1516 | witnesses deposed does not exceed 20.

1517 |         2. Objections by or on behalf of the Justice  
1518 | Administrative Commission to records or documents or to claims  
1519 | for payment by the attorney shall be presumed correct by the  
1520 | court unless the court determines, in writing, that competent  
1521 | and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the  
1522 | presumption. The chief judge or single designee shall enter a  
1523 | written order detailing his or her findings and identifying the  
1524 | extraordinary nature of the time and efforts of the attorney in  
1525 | the case which warrant exceeding the flat fee established by

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1526 | this section and the General Appropriations Act.

1527 |       (c) A copy of the motion and attachments shall be served  
 1528 | on the Justice Administrative Commission at least 20 business  
 1529 | days before the date of a hearing. The Justice Administrative  
 1530 | Commission has standing to appear before the court, and may  
 1531 | appear in person or telephonically, including at the hearing  
 1532 | under paragraph (b), to contest any motion for an order  
 1533 | approving payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses  
 1534 | and may participate in a hearing on the motion by use of  
 1535 | telephonic or other communication equipment. The Justice  
 1536 | Administrative Commission may contract with other public or  
 1537 | private entities or individuals to appear before the court for  
 1538 | the purpose of contesting any motion for an order approving  
 1539 | payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses. The fact  
 1540 | that the Justice Administrative Commission has not objected to  
 1541 | any portion of the billing or to the sufficiency of the  
 1542 | documentation is not binding on the court.

1543 |       (d) If the chief judge or a single designee finds that  
 1544 | counsel has proved by competent and substantial evidence that  
 1545 | the case required extraordinary and unusual efforts, the chief  
 1546 | judge or single designee shall order the compensation to be paid  
 1547 | to the attorney at a percentage above the flat fee rate,  
 1548 | depending on the extent of the unusual and extraordinary effort  
 1549 | required. The percentage must be only the rate necessary to  
 1550 | ensure that the fees paid are not confiscatory under common law.

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1551 The percentage may not exceed 200 percent of the established  
 1552 flat fee, absent a specific finding that 200 percent of the flat  
 1553 fee in the case would be confiscatory. If the chief judge or  
 1554 single designee determines that 200 percent of the flat fee  
 1555 would be confiscatory, he or she shall order the amount of  
 1556 compensation using an hourly rate not to exceed \$75 per hour for  
 1557 a noncapital case and \$100 per hour for a capital case. However,  
 1558 the compensation calculated by using the hourly rate shall be  
 1559 only that amount necessary to ensure that the total fees paid  
 1560 are not confiscatory, subject to the requirements of s.  
 1561 27.40(7).

1562 (e) Any order granting relief under this subsection must  
 1563 be attached to the final request for a payment submitted to the  
 1564 Justice Administrative Commission and must satisfy the  
 1565 requirements of subparagraph (b)2.

1566 (13) Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in  
 1567 subsection (5) and for the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only,  
 1568 the compensation for representation in a criminal proceeding may  
 1569 not exceed the following:

1570 (a) For misdemeanors and juveniles represented at the  
 1571 trial level: \$2,000 ~~\$1,000~~.

1572 (b) For noncapital, nonlife felonies represented at the  
 1573 trial level: \$15,000.

1574 (c) For life felonies represented at the trial level:  
 1575 \$15,000.

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1576 (d) For capital cases represented at the trial level:  
 1577 \$25,000. For purposes of this paragraph, a "capital case" is any  
 1578 offense for which the potential sentence is death and the state  
 1579 has not waived seeking the death penalty.

1580 (e) For representation on appeal: \$9,000.

1581 (f) This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

1582 Section 43. The text of s. 27.5304(1), (3), (7), (11), and  
 1583 (12)(a)-(e), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter  
 1584 2019-116, Laws of Florida, and the text of s. 27.5304(6),  
 1585 Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2023-240, Laws  
 1586 of Florida, by this act, expire July 1, 2025, and the text of  
 1587 those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable, shall revert to  
 1588 that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments  
 1589 to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved  
 1590 and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are  
 1591 not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to  
 1592 this section.

1593 Section 44. In order to implement section 147 of the 2024-  
 1594 2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (f) of subsection (7)  
 1595 of section 934.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1596 934.50 Searches and seizure using a drone.—

1597 (7) SECURITY STANDARDS FOR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY DRONE USE.—

1598 (f) Notwithstanding this subsection:

1599 1. Subject to appropriation, the drone replacement grant  
 1600 program is created within the Department of Law Enforcement. The



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1601 program shall provide funds to law enforcement agencies, fire  
 1602 service providers, ambulance crews, or other first responders  
 1603 that turn in drones that are not in compliance with this  
 1604 section. To be eligible, the drone must have not reached its end  
 1605 of life and must still be in working condition. Funds shall be  
 1606 provided per drone based upon the drone's replacement costs  
 1607 ~~current value~~. Grant funds may only be used to purchase drones  
 1608 that are in compliance with this section. The Department of Law  
 1609 Enforcement shall expeditiously develop an application process,  
 1610 and funds shall be allocated on a first-come, first-served  
 1611 basis, determined by the date the department receives the  
 1612 application. The department may adopt rules to implement this  
 1613 program. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "law  
 1614 enforcement agency" has the same meaning as in this section.

1615 2. The Department of Law Enforcement shall provide the  
 1616 first two functional drones of each unique make and model  
 1617 received through the drone grant replacement program to the  
 1618 Florida Center for Cybersecurity within the University of South  
 1619 Florida. The Florida Center for Cybersecurity shall analyze each  
 1620 drone received from the Department of Law Enforcement to  
 1621 determine whether the drones presented a ~~present~~ cybersecurity  
 1622 concern during its time of use ~~concerns~~ and shall provide a  
 1623 report of its findings and a list of any specific security  
 1624 vulnerabilities found in the drone ~~or recommendations~~ to the  
 1625 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the

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1626 House of Representatives. The center must return any drone  
 1627 received through the drone replacement grant program to the  
 1628 Department of Law Enforcement for destruction pursuant to  
 1629 subparagraph 3., following the completion of the cybersecurity  
 1630 analysis ~~Department of Management Services regarding the drones'~~  
 1631 ~~safety or security.~~

1632 3. The Department of Law Enforcement shall ensure the  
 1633 destruction of all drones received through the drone replacement  
 1634 grant program after ensuring that the first two functional  
 1635 drones of each unique make and model received has been  
 1636 transmitted to the Florida Center for Cybersecurity for  
 1637 analysis. The Florida Center for Cybersecurity shall return to  
 1638 the department for destruction any duplicate model drones in  
 1639 their possession which were previously transmitted to the  
 1640 center, and which are not being retained for analysis.

1641 4. From the funds appropriated to the drone replacement  
 1642 grant program, the Department of Law Enforcement:

1643 a. May expend funds to directly cause, or contract for,  
 1644 the secure destruction of all drones received under the program  
 1645 during fiscal years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 which are not being  
 1646 retained for analysis or retained by the department following a  
 1647 completed analysis.

1648 b. Must provide to the Florida Center for Cybersecurity  
 1649 \$25,000 to cover the center's expenses associated with the  
 1650 analysis, transport, secure storage, reporting, and other

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1651 related costs necessary to comply with the requirements of this  
 1652 subsection.

1653 c. May increase the awards previously provided in fiscal  
 1654 year 2023-2024, which were based on the drone's value, to award  
 1655 the value to reflect the drone's replacement cost.

1656 5.3. The Department of Law Enforcement is authorized, and  
 1657 all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules under s.  
 1658 120.54(4) for the purpose of implementing the drone replacement  
 1659 grant program. Notwithstanding any other law, emergency rules  
 1660 adopted under this section are effective for 12 months after  
 1661 adoption and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to  
 1662 adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency  
 1663 rules.

1664  
 1665 This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 2024.

1666 Section 45. In order to implement appropriations used to  
 1667 pay existing lease contracts for private lease space in excess  
 1668 of 2,000 square feet in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 1669 Act, the Department of Management Services, with the cooperation  
 1670 of the agencies having the existing lease contracts for office  
 1671 or storage space, shall use tenant broker services to  
 1672 renegotiate or reprocure all private lease agreements for office  
 1673 or storage space expiring between July 1, 2025, and June 30,  
 1674 2027, in order to reduce costs in future years. The department  
 1675 shall incorporate this initiative into its 2024 master leasing

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1676 report required under s. 255.249(7), Florida Statutes, and may  
 1677 use tenant broker services to explore the possibilities of  
 1678 collocating office or storage space, to review the space needs  
 1679 of each agency, and to review the length and terms of potential  
 1680 renewals or renegotiations. The department shall provide a  
 1681 report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of  
 1682 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
 1683 November 1, 2024, which lists each lease contract for private  
 1684 office or storage space, the status of renegotiations, and the  
 1685 savings achieved. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1686       Section 46. In order to implement appropriations  
 1687 authorized in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for data  
 1688 center services, and notwithstanding s. 216.292(2)(a), Florida  
 1689 Statutes, an agency may not transfer funds from a data  
 1690 processing category to a category other than another data  
 1691 processing category. This section expires July 1, 2025.

1692       Section 47. In order to implement the appropriation of  
 1693 funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Risk  
 1694 Management Insurance" in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 1695 Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection  
 1696 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office  
 1697 of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in that category  
 1698 between departments in order to align the budget authority  
 1699 granted with the premiums paid by each department for risk  
 1700 management insurance. This section expires July 1, 2025.

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1701           Section 48. In order to implement the appropriation of  
 1702 funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Transfer  
 1703 to Department of Management Services-Human Resources Services  
 1704 Purchased per Statewide Contract" in the 2024-2025 General  
 1705 Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and  
 1706 objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the  
 1707 Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated  
 1708 in that category between departments in order to align the  
 1709 budget authority granted with the assessments that must be paid  
 1710 by each agency to the Department of Management Services for  
 1711 human resource management services. This section expires July 1,  
 1712 2025.

1713           Section 49. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 1714 2880 in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act in the Building  
 1715 Relocation appropriation category from the Architects Incidental  
 1716 Trust Fund of the Department of Management Services, and in  
 1717 accordance with s. 215.196, Florida Statutes:

1718           (1) Upon the final disposition of a state-owned building,  
 1719 the Department of Management Services may use up to 5 percent of  
 1720 facility disposition funds from the Architects Incidental Trust  
 1721 Fund to defer, offset, or otherwise pay for all or a portion of  
 1722 relocation expenses, including furniture, fixtures, and  
 1723 equipment for state agencies impacted by the disposition of the  
 1724 department's managed facilities in the Florida Facilities Pool.  
 1725 The extent of the financial assistance provided to impacted

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1726 state agencies shall be determined by the department.

1727 (2) The Department of Management Services may submit  
 1728 budget amendments for an increase in appropriation if necessary  
 1729 for the implementation of this section pursuant to the  
 1730 provisions of chapter 216, Florida Statutes. Budget amendments  
 1731 for an increase in appropriation shall include a detailed plan  
 1732 providing all estimated costs and relocation proposals.

1733 (3) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1734 Section 50. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1735 2875 through 2882 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act  
 1736 from the Architects Incidental Trust Fund of the Department of  
 1737 Management Services, notwithstanding s. 253.025(4), Florida  
 1738 Statutes, and in accordance with s. 215.196, Florida Statutes,  
 1739 the Department of Management Services may acquire additional  
 1740 state-owned office buildings as defined in s. 255.248, Florida  
 1741 Statutes, or property for inclusion in the Florida Facilities  
 1742 Pool as created in s. 255.505, Florida Statutes. This section  
 1743 expires July 1, 2025.

1744 Section 51. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1745 2456 through 2462 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act:

1746 (1) The Department of Financial Services shall replace the  
 1747 four main components of the Florida Accounting Information  
 1748 Resource Subsystem (FLAIR), which include central FLAIR,  
 1749 departmental FLAIR, payroll, and information warehouse, and  
 1750 shall replace the cash management and accounting management

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1751 components of the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS) with an  
 1752 integrated enterprise system that allows the state to organize,  
 1753 define, and standardize its financial management business  
 1754 processes and that complies with ss. 215.90-215.96, Florida  
 1755 Statutes. The department may not include in the replacement of  
 1756 FLAIR and CMS:

1757 (a) Functionality that duplicates any of the other  
 1758 information subsystems of the Florida Financial Management  
 1759 Information System; or

1760 (b) Agency business processes related to any of the  
 1761 functions included in the Personnel Information System, the  
 1762 Purchasing Subsystem, or the Legislative Appropriations  
 1763 System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem.

1764 (2) For purposes of replacing FLAIR and CMS, the  
 1765 Department of Financial Services shall:

1766 (a) Take into consideration the cost and implementation  
 1767 data identified for Option 3 as recommended in the March 31,  
 1768 2014, Florida Department of Financial Services FLAIR Study,  
 1769 version 031.

1770 (b) Ensure that all business requirements and technical  
 1771 specifications have been provided to all state agencies for  
 1772 their review and input and approved by the executive steering  
 1773 committee established in paragraph (c), including any updates to  
 1774 these documents.

1775 (c) Implement a project governance structure that includes

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- 1776 | an executive steering committee composed of:
- 1777 |     1. The Chief Financial Officer or the executive sponsor of
- 1778 | the project.
- 1779 |     2. A representative of the Division of Treasury of the
- 1780 | Department of Financial Services, appointed by the Chief
- 1781 | Financial Officer.
- 1782 |     3. The Chief Information Officers of the Department of
- 1783 | Financial Services and the Department of Environmental
- 1784 | Protection.
- 1785 |     4. Two employees from the Division of Accounting and
- 1786 | Auditing of the Department of Financial Services, appointed by
- 1787 | the Chief Financial Officer. Each employee must have experience
- 1788 | relating to at least one of the four main components that
- 1789 | compose FLAIR.
- 1790 |     5. Two employees from the Executive Office of the
- 1791 | Governor, appointed by the Governor. One employee must have
- 1792 | experience relating to the Legislative Appropriations
- 1793 | System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem.
- 1794 |     6. One employee from the Department of Revenue, appointed
- 1795 | by the executive director, who has experience using or
- 1796 | maintaining the department's finance and accounting systems.
- 1797 |     7. Two employees from the Department of Management
- 1798 | Services, appointed by the Secretary of Management Services. One
- 1799 | employee must have experience relating to the department's
- 1800 | personnel information subsystem and one employee must have



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1801 experience relating to the department's purchasing subsystem.

1802 8. A state agency administrative services director,  
 1803 appointed by the Governor.

1804 9. Two employees from the Agency for Health Care  
 1805 Administration. One employee shall be the executive sponsor of  
 1806 the Florida Health Care Connection (FX) System or his or her  
 1807 designee, appointed by the Secretary of Health Care  
 1808 Administration, and one employee shall be the Assistant Deputy  
 1809 Secretary for Finance or his or her designee.

1810 10. The State Chief Information Officer, or his or her  
 1811 designee, as a nonvoting member. The State Chief Information  
 1812 Officer, or his or her designee, shall provide monthly status  
 1813 reports to the executive steering committee pursuant to the  
 1814 oversight responsibilities in s. 282.0051, Florida Statutes.

1815 11. One employee from the Department of Business and  
 1816 Professional Regulation who has experience in finance and  
 1817 accounting and FLAIR, appointed by the Secretary of Business and  
 1818 Professional Regulation.

1819 12. One employee from the Florida Fish and Wildlife  
 1820 Conservation Commission who has experience using or maintaining  
 1821 the commission's finance and accounting systems, appointed by  
 1822 the Chair of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 1823 Commission.

1824 13. The budget director of the Department of Education, or  
 1825 his or her designee.

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1826       (3) (a) The Chief Financial Officer or the executive  
1827 sponsor of the project shall serve as chair of the executive  
1828 steering committee, and the committee shall take action by a  
1829 vote of at least eight affirmative votes with the Chief  
1830 Financial Officer or the executive sponsor of the project voting  
1831 on the prevailing side. A quorum of the executive steering  
1832 committee consists of at least 10 members.

1833       (b) No later than 14 days before a meeting of the  
1834 executive steering committee, the chair shall request input from  
1835 committee members on agenda items for the next scheduled  
1836 meeting.

1837       (c) The chair shall establish a working group consisting  
1838 of FLAIR users, state agency technical staff who maintain  
1839 applications that integrate with FLAIR, and no less than four  
1840 state agency finance and accounting or budget directors. The  
1841 working group shall meet at least monthly to review PALM  
1842 functionality, assess project impacts to state financial  
1843 business processes and agency staff, and develop recommendations  
1844 to the executive steering committee for improvements. The chair  
1845 shall request input from the working group on agenda items for  
1846 each scheduled meeting. The PALM project team shall dedicate a  
1847 staff member to the group and provide system demonstrations and  
1848 any project documentation, as needed, for the group to fulfill  
1849 its duties.

1850       (d) The chair shall request all agency project sponsors to

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1851 provide bimonthly status reports to the executive steering  
1852 committee. The form and format of the bimonthly status reports  
1853 shall be developed by the Florida PALM project and provided to  
1854 the executive steering committee meeting for approval. Such  
1855 agency status reports shall provide information to the executive  
1856 steering committee on the activities and ongoing work within the  
1857 agency to prepare their systems and impacted employees for the  
1858 deployment of the Florida PALM System. The first bimonthly  
1859 status report is due September 1, 2024, and bimonthly  
1860 thereafter.

1861 (4) The executive steering committee has the overall  
1862 responsibility for ensuring that the project to replace FLAIR  
1863 and CMS meets its primary business objectives and shall:

1864 (a) Identify and recommend to the Executive Office of the  
1865 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
1866 House of Representatives any statutory changes needed to  
1867 implement the replacement subsystem that will standardize, to  
1868 the fullest extent possible, the state's financial management  
1869 business processes.

1870 (b) Review and approve any changes to the project's scope,  
1871 schedule, and budget which do not conflict with the requirements  
1872 of subsection (1).

1873 (c) Ensure that adequate resources are provided throughout  
1874 all phases of the project.

1875 (d) Approve all major project deliverables and any cost

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1876 | changes to each deliverable over \$250,000.

1877 |       (e) Approve contract amendments and changes to all  
 1878 | contract-related documents associated with the replacement of  
 1879 | FLAIR and CMS.

1880 |       (f) Review, and approve as warranted, the format of the  
 1881 | bimonthly agency status reports to include meaningful  
 1882 | information on each agency's progress in planning for the  
 1883 | Florida PALM Major Implementation, covering the agency's people,  
 1884 | processes, technology, and data transformation activities.

1885 |       (g) Ensure compliance with ss. 216.181(16), 216.311,  
 1886 | 216.313, 282.318(4)(h), and 287.058, Florida Statutes.

1887 |       (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.

1888 |       Section 52. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 1889 | 2991 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 1890 | notwithstanding the expiration date in section 43 of chapter  
 1891 | 2023-240, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 282.709,  
 1892 | Florida Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

1893 |       282.709 State agency law enforcement radio system and  
 1894 | interoperability network.—

1895 |       (3) In recognition of the critical nature of the statewide  
 1896 | law enforcement radio communications system, the Legislature  
 1897 | finds that there is an immediate danger to the public health,  
 1898 | safety, and welfare, and that it is in the best interest of the  
 1899 | state to continue partnering with the system's current operator.  
 1900 | The Legislature finds that continuity of coverage is critical to

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1901 supporting law enforcement, first responders, and other public  
 1902 safety users. The potential for a loss in coverage or a lack of  
 1903 interoperability between users requires emergency action and is  
 1904 a serious concern for officers' safety and their ability to  
 1905 communicate and respond to various disasters and events.

1906 (a) The department, pursuant to s. 287.057(11) ~~s.~~  
 1907 ~~287.057(10)~~, shall enter into a 15-year contract with the entity  
 1908 that was operating the statewide radio communications system on  
 1909 January 1, 2021. The contract must include:

- 1910 1. The purchase of radios;
- 1911 2. The upgrade to the Project 25 communications standard;
- 1912 3. Increased system capacity and enhanced coverage for  
 1913 system users;
- 1914 4. Operations, maintenance, and support at a fixed annual  
 1915 rate;
- 1916 5. The conveyance of communications towers to the  
 1917 department; and
- 1918 6. The assignment of communications tower leases to the  
 1919 department.

1920 (b) The State Agency Law Enforcement Radio System Trust  
 1921 Fund is established in the department and funded from surcharges  
 1922 collected under ss. 318.18, 320.0802, and 328.72. Upon  
 1923 appropriation, moneys in the trust fund may be used by the  
 1924 department to acquire the equipment, software, and engineering,  
 1925 administrative, and maintenance services it needs to construct,

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1926 | operate, and maintain the statewide radio system. Moneys in the  
 1927 | trust fund from surcharges shall be used to help fund the costs  
 1928 | of the system. Upon completion of the system, moneys in the  
 1929 | trust fund may also be used by the department for payment of the  
 1930 | recurring maintenance costs of the system.

1931 |       Section 53. The text of s. 282.709(3), Florida Statutes,  
 1932 | as carried forward from chapter 2021-37, Laws of Florida, by  
 1933 | this act, expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that subsection  
 1934 | shall revert to that in existence on June 1, 2021, except that  
 1935 | any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall  
 1936 | be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such  
 1937 | amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which  
 1938 | expire pursuant to this section.

1939 |       Section 54. In order to implement appropriations relating  
 1940 | to the purchase of equipment and services related to the  
 1941 | Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS) as authorized in  
 1942 | the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s.  
 1943 | 287.057, Florida Statutes, state agencies and other eligible  
 1944 | users of the SLERS network may use the Department of Management  
 1945 | Services SLERS contract for purchase of equipment and services.  
 1946 | This section expires July 1, 2025.

1947 |       Section 55. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1948 | 2898 through 2909 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 1949 | and notwithstanding rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code,  
 1950 | the transaction fee as identified in s. 287.057(24)(c), Florida

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1951 Statutes, shall be collected for use of the online procurement  
 1952 system and is 0.7 percent for the 2024-2025 fiscal year only.  
 1953 This section expires July 1, 2025.

1954 Section 56. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1955 2813 through 2838 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 1956 and upon the expiration and reversion of the amendments made by  
 1957 section 47 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida, paragraph (i)  
 1958 of subsection (9) of section 24.105, Florida Statutes, is  
 1959 amended to read:

1960 24.105 Powers and duties of department.—The department  
 1961 shall:

1962 (9) Adopt rules governing the establishment and operation  
 1963 of the state lottery, including:

1964 (i) The manner and amount of compensation of retailers, and  
 1965 except for the 2024-2025 fiscal year only, effective July 1,  
 1966 2024, the commission for lottery ticket sales shall be 6 percent  
 1967 of the purchase price of each ticket sold or issued as a prize  
 1968 by a retailer. Any additional retailer compensation is limited  
 1969 to the Florida Lottery Retailer Bonus Commission program  
 1970 appropriated in Specific Appropriation 2834 of the 2024-2025  
 1971 General Appropriations Act.

1972 Section 57. The amendment to s. 24.105(9) (i), Florida  
 1973 Statutes, made by this act expires July 1, 2025, and the text of  
 1974 that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30,  
 1975 2023, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than

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1976 | by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the  
 1977 | extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions  
 1978 | of text which expire pursuant to this section.

1979 |         Section 58. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 1980 | 3027 through 3035 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 1981 | paragraph (11) of subsection (6) of section 627.351, Florida  
 1982 | Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

1983 |         627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans.—

1984 |         (6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION.—

1985 |         (11)1. In addition to any other method of alternative  
 1986 | dispute resolution authorized by state law, the corporation may  
 1987 | adopt policy forms that provide for the resolution of disputes  
 1988 | regarding its claim determinations, including disputes regarding  
 1989 | coverage for, or the scope and value of, a claim, in a  
 1990 | proceeding before the Division of Administrative Hearings. Any  
 1991 | such policies are not subject to s. 627.70154. All proceedings  
 1992 | in the Division of Administrative Hearings pursuant to such  
 1993 | policies are subject to ss. 57.105 and 768.79 as if filed in the  
 1994 | courts of this state and are not considered chapter 120  
 1995 | administrative proceedings. Rule 1.442, Florida Rules of Civil  
 1996 | Procedure, applies to any offer served pursuant to s. 768.79,  
 1997 | except that, notwithstanding any provision in Rule 1.442,  
 1998 | Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, to the contrary, an offer  
 1999 | shall not be served earlier than 10 days after filing the  
 2000 | request for hearing with the Division of Administrative Hearings



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2001 and shall not be served later than 10 days before the date set  
 2002 for the final hearing. The administrative law judge in such  
 2003 proceedings shall award attorney fees and other relief pursuant  
 2004 to ss. 57.105 and 768.79. The corporation may not seek, and the  
 2005 office may not approve, a maximum hourly rate for attorney fees.

2006 2. The corporation may contract with the division to  
 2007 conduct proceedings to resolve disputes regarding its claim  
 2008 determinations as may be provided for in the applicable policies  
 2009 of insurance. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2025.

2010 Section 59. Effective upon this act becoming law, and in  
 2011 order to implement Specific Appropriations 2955 through 2964 of  
 2012 the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 2013 notwithstanding the proviso language for Specific Appropriation  
 2014 2966 in chapter 2023-239, Laws of Florida, section 110.116,  
 2015 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2016 110.116 Personnel information system; payroll procedures.—

2017 (1) The Department of Management Services shall establish  
 2018 and maintain, in coordination with the payroll system of the  
 2019 Department of Financial Services, a complete personnel  
 2020 information system for all authorized and established positions  
 2021 in the state service, with the exception of employees of the  
 2022 Legislature, unless the Legislature chooses to participate. The  
 2023 department may contract with a vendor to provide the personnel  
 2024 information system. The specifications shall be developed in  
 2025 conjunction with the payroll system of the Department of

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2026 Financial Services and in coordination with the Auditor General.  
 2027 The Department of Financial Services shall determine that the  
 2028 position occupied by each employee has been authorized and  
 2029 established in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.251. The  
 2030 Department of Management Services shall develop and maintain a  
 2031 position numbering system that will identify each established  
 2032 position, and such information shall be a part of the payroll  
 2033 system of the Department of Financial Services. With the  
 2034 exception of employees of the Legislature, unless the  
 2035 Legislature chooses to participate, this system shall include  
 2036 all career service positions and those positions exempted from  
 2037 career service provisions, notwithstanding the funding source of  
 2038 the salary payments, and information regarding persons receiving  
 2039 payments from other sources. Necessary revisions shall be made  
 2040 in the personnel and payroll procedures of the state to avoid  
 2041 duplication insofar as is feasible. A list shall be organized by  
 2042 budget entity to show the employees or vacant positions within  
 2043 each budget entity. This list shall be available to the Speaker  
 2044 of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate  
 2045 upon request.

2046 (2) In recognition of the critical nature of the statewide  
 2047 personnel and payroll system commonly known as People First, the  
 2048 Legislature finds that it is in the best interest of the state  
 2049 to continue partnering with the current People First third-party  
 2050 operator. The People First System annually processes 500,000

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2051 employment applications, 455,000 personnel actions, and the  
 2052 state's \$9.5-billion payroll. The Legislature finds that the  
 2053 continuity of operations of the People First System and the  
 2054 critical functions it provides such as payroll, employee health  
 2055 insurance benefit records, and other critical services must not  
 2056 be interrupted. Presently, the Chief Financial Officer is  
 2057 undertaking the development of a new statewide accounting and  
 2058 financial management system, commonly known as the Planning,  
 2059 Accounting, and Ledger, Management System (PALM), scheduled to  
 2060 be operational in the year 2026. The procurement and  
 2061 implementation of an entire replacement of the People First  
 2062 System will impede the timeframe needed to successfully  
 2063 integrate the state's payroll system with the PALM System. In  
 2064 order to maintain continuity of operations and to ensure the  
 2065 successful completion of the PALM System, the Legislature  
 2066 directs that:

2067 (a) The department, pursuant to s. 287.057(11), shall  
 2068 enter into a 3-year contract extension with the entity operating  
 2069 the People First System on January 1, 2024. The contract  
 2070 extension must:

2071 1. Provide for the integration of the current People First  
 2072 System with PALM.

2073 2. Exclude major functionality updates or changes to the  
 2074 People First System prior to completion of the PALM System. This  
 2075 does not include:

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2076        a. Routine system maintenance such as code updates  
 2077 following open enrollment; or  
 2078        b. The technical remediation necessary to integrate the  
 2079 system with PALM within the PALM project's planned  
 2080 implementation schedule.  
 2081        3. Include project planning and analysis deliverables  
 2082 necessary to:  
 2083        a. Detail and document the state's functional  
 2084 requirements.  
 2085        b. Estimate the cost of transitioning the current People  
 2086 First System to a cloud computing infrastructure within the  
 2087 contract extension and after the successful integration with  
 2088 PALM. The project cost evaluation shall estimate the annual cost  
 2089 and capacity growth required to host the system in a cloud  
 2090 environment.  
 2091  
 2092 The department shall develop these system specifications in  
 2093 conjunction with the Department of Financial Services and the  
 2094 Auditor General.  
 2095        4. Include technical support for state agencies that may  
 2096 need assistance in remediating or integrating current financial  
 2097 shadow systems with People First in order to integrate with PALM  
 2098 or the cloud version of People First.  
 2099        5. Include organizational change management and training  
 2100 deliverables needed to support the implementation of PALM

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2101 payroll functionality and the People First System cloud upgrade.  
 2102 Responsibilities of the operator and the department shall be  
 2103 outlined in a project role and responsibility assignment chart  
 2104 within the contract.

2105 6. Include an option to renew the contract for one  
 2106 additional year.

2107 (b) The department shall submit, no later than June 30,  
 2108 2026, its project planning and detailed cost estimate to upgrade  
 2109 the current People First System to the chair of the Senate  
 2110 Committee on Appropriations, the chair of the House of  
 2111 Representatives Appropriations Committee, and the Executive  
 2112 Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget, for  
 2113 preliminary review and consideration of funding the department's  
 2114 Fiscal Year 2026-2027 legislative budget request to update the  
 2115 system.

2116 (c) This subsection expires July 1, 2025.

2117 Section 60. In order to implement the appropriation of  
 2118 funds in the appropriation category "Northwest Regional Data  
 2119 Center" in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 2120 pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s.  
 2121 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor  
 2122 may transfer funds appropriated in that category between  
 2123 departments in order to align the budget authority granted based  
 2124 on the estimated costs for data processing services for the  
 2125 2024-2025 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2025.

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2126           Section 61. In order to implement appropriations  
 2127 authorized in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for state  
 2128 data center services, auxiliary assessments charged to state  
 2129 agencies related to contract management services provided to  
 2130 Northwest Regional Data Center shall not exceed 3 percent. This  
 2131 section expires July 1, 2025.

2132           Section 62. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2133 2506A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, section  
 2134 284.51, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

2135           284.51 Electroencephalogram combined transcranial magnetic  
 2136 stimulation treatment pilot program.-

2137           (1) As used in this section, the term:

2138           (a) "Division" means the Division of Risk Management at  
 2139 the Department of Financial Services.

2140           (b) "Electroencephalogram combined Transcranial Magnetic  
 2141 Stimulation" or "eTMS" means treatment in which transcranial  
 2142 magnetic stimulation frequency pulses are tuned to the patient's  
 2143 physiology and biometric data.

2144           (c) "First Responder" has the same meaning as provided in  
 2145 s. 112.1815(1).

2146           (d) "Veteran" means:

2147           1. A veteran as defined in 38 U.S.C. s. 101(2);

2148           2. A person who served in a reserve component as defined  
 2149 in 38 U.S.C. s. 101(27); or

2150           3. A person who served in the National Guard of any state.

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2151           (2) The division shall select a provider to establish a  
 2152 statewide pilot program to make eTMS available for veterans,  
 2153 first responders, and immediate family members of veterans and  
 2154 first responders with:

2155           (a) Substance use disorders.

2156           (b) Mental illness.

2157           (c) Sleep disorders.

2158           (d) Traumatic brain injuries.

2159           (e) Sexual trauma.

2160           (f) Post-traumatic stress disorder and accompanying  
 2161 comorbidities.

2162           (g) Concussions.

2163           (h) Other brain trauma.

2164           (i) Quality of life issues affecting human performance,  
 2165 including issues related to or resulting from problems with  
 2166 cognition and problems maintaining attention, concentration, or  
 2167 focus.

2168           (3) The provider must display a history of serving veteran  
 2169 and first responder populations at a statewide level. The  
 2170 provider shall establish a network for in person and offsite  
 2171 care with the goal of providing statewide access. Consideration  
 2172 shall be provided to locations with a large population of first  
 2173 responders and veterans. In addition to traditional eTMS  
 2174 devices, the provider may utilize non-medical Portable Magnetic  
 2175 Stimulation devices to improve access to underserved populations

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2176 in remote areas or to be used to serve as a pre-post treatment  
2177 or a stand-alone device. The provider shall be required to  
2178 establish and operate a clinical practice and to evaluate  
2179 outcomes of such clinical practice.

2180 (4) The pilot program shall include:

2181 (a) The establishment of a peer-to-peer support network by  
2182 the provider made available to all individuals receiving  
2183 treatment under the program.

2184 (b) The requirement that each individual who receives  
2185 treatment under the program also must receive neurophysiological  
2186 monitoring, monitoring for symptoms of substance use and other  
2187 mental health disorders, and access to counseling and wellness  
2188 programming. Each individual who receives treatment must also  
2189 participate in the peer-to-peer support network established by  
2190 the provider.

2191 (c) The establishment of protocols which include the use  
2192 of adopted stimulation frequency and intensity modulation based  
2193 on EEGs done on days 0, 10, and 20 and motor threshold testing,  
2194 as well as clinical symptoms, signs, and biometrics.

2195 (d) The requirement that protocols and outcomes of any  
2196 treatment provided by the clinical practice shall be collected  
2197 and reported by the provider quarterly to the division, the  
2198 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
2199 Representatives. Such report shall include the bio-data metrics  
2200 and all expenditures and accounting of the use of funds received



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2201 from the department.

2202 (e) The requirement that protocols and outcomes of any  
 2203 treatment provided by the clinical practice shall be collected  
 2204 and reported to the University of South Florida and may be  
 2205 provided by the provider to any relevant Food and Drug  
 2206 Administration studies or trials.

2207 (5) The division may adopt rules to implement this  
 2208 section.

2209 (6) This section expires July 1, 2025.

2210 Section 63. In order to implement specific appropriations  
 2211 from the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of  
 2212 Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of  
 2213 Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the Fish  
 2214 and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which are contained in the  
 2215 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section  
 2216 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2217 215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

2218 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and only with respect  
 2219 to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of  
 2220 Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of  
 2221 Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish  
 2222 and Wildlife Conservation Commission, whenever there is a  
 2223 deficiency in a land acquisition trust fund which would render  
 2224 that trust fund temporarily insufficient to meet its just  
 2225 requirements, including the timely payment of appropriations

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2226 | from that trust fund, and other trust funds in the State  
 2227 | Treasury have moneys that are for the time being or otherwise in  
 2228 | excess of the amounts necessary to meet the just requirements,  
 2229 | including appropriated obligations, of those other trust funds,  
 2230 | the Governor may order a temporary transfer of moneys from one  
 2231 | or more of the other trust funds to a land acquisition trust  
 2232 | fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the  
 2233 | Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State,  
 2234 | or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Any action  
 2235 | proposed pursuant to this subsection is subject to the notice,  
 2236 | review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, and the Governor  
 2237 | shall provide notice of such action at least 7 days before the  
 2238 | effective date of the transfer of trust funds, except that  
 2239 | during July 2024 ~~2023~~, notice of such action shall be provided  
 2240 | at least 3 days before the effective date of a transfer unless  
 2241 | such 3-day notice is waived by the chair and vice chair of the  
 2242 | Legislative Budget Commission. Any transfer of trust funds to a  
 2243 | land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and  
 2244 | Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection,  
 2245 | the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 2246 | Commission must be repaid to the trust funds from which the  
 2247 | moneys were loaned by the end of the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal  
 2248 | year. The Legislature has determined that the repayment of the  
 2249 | other trust fund moneys temporarily loaned to a land acquisition  
 2250 | trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer

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2251 Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the  
 2252 Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 2253 Commission pursuant to this subsection is an allowable use of  
 2254 the moneys in a land acquisition trust fund because the moneys  
 2255 from other trust funds temporarily loaned to a land acquisition  
 2256 trust fund shall be expended solely and exclusively in  
 2257 accordance with s. 28, Art. X of the State Constitution. This  
 2258 subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2259       Section 64. (1) In order to implement specific  
 2260 appropriations from the land acquisition trust funds within the  
 2261 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department  
 2262 of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the  
 2263 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission which are contained in  
 2264 the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Department of  
 2265 Environmental Protection shall transfer revenues from the Land  
 2266 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department to the land  
 2267 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and  
 2268 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and  
 2269 Wildlife Conservation Commission as provided in this section. As  
 2270 used in this section, the term "department" means the Department  
 2271 of Environmental Protection.

2272       (2) After subtracting any required debt service payments,  
 2273 the proportionate share of revenues to be transferred to each  
 2274 land acquisition trust fund shall be calculated by dividing the  
 2275 appropriations from each of the land acquisition trust funds for

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2276 the fiscal year by the total appropriations from the Land  
 2277 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department and the land  
 2278 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and  
 2279 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and  
 2280 Wildlife Conservation Commission for the fiscal year. The  
 2281 department shall transfer the proportionate share of the  
 2282 revenues in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the  
 2283 department on a monthly basis to the appropriate land  
 2284 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and  
 2285 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and  
 2286 Wildlife Conservation Commission and shall retain its  
 2287 proportionate share of the revenues in the Land Acquisition  
 2288 Trust Fund within the department. Total distributions to a land  
 2289 acquisition trust fund within the Department of Agriculture and  
 2290 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and  
 2291 Wildlife Conservation Commission may not exceed the total  
 2292 appropriations from such trust fund for the fiscal year.

2293 (3) In addition, the department shall transfer from the  
 2294 Land Acquisition Trust Fund to land acquisition trust funds  
 2295 within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the  
 2296 Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 2297 Commission amounts equal to the difference between the amounts  
 2298 appropriated in chapter 2023-239, Laws of Florida, to the  
 2299 department's Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the other land  
 2300 acquisition trust funds, and the amounts actually transferred

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2301 between those trust funds during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

2302 (4) The department may advance funds from the beginning  
 2303 unobligated fund balance in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to  
 2304 the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife  
 2305 Conservation Commission needed for cash flow purposes based on a  
 2306 detailed expenditure plan. The department shall prorate amounts  
 2307 transferred quarterly to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
 2308 Commission to recoup the amount of funds advanced by June 30,  
 2309 2025.

2310 (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.

2311 Section 65. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2312 1804 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 2313 notwithstanding the expiration date in section 58 of chapter  
 2314 2023-240, Laws of Florida, paragraph (g) of subsection (15) of  
 2315 section 376.3071, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2316 376.3071 Inland Protection Trust Fund; creation; purposes;  
 2317 funding.—

2318 (15) ETHANOL OR BIODIESEL DAMAGE; PREVENTIVE MEASURES.—The  
 2319 department shall pay, pursuant to this subsection, up to \$10  
 2320 million each fiscal year from the fund for the costs of labor  
 2321 and equipment to repair or replace petroleum storage systems  
 2322 that may have been damaged due to the storage of fuels blended  
 2323 with ethanol or biodiesel, or for preventive measures to reduce  
 2324 the potential for such damage.

2325 (g) Payments may not be made for the following:

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- 2326           1. Proposal costs or costs related to preparation of the  
 2327 application and required documentation;  
 2328           2. Certified public accountant costs;  
 2329           3. Except as provided in paragraph (j), any costs in  
 2330 excess of the amount approved by the department under paragraph  
 2331 (b) or which are not in substantial compliance with the purchase  
 2332 order;  
 2333           4. Costs associated with storage tanks, piping, or  
 2334 ancillary equipment that has previously been repaired or  
 2335 replaced for which costs have been paid under this section;  
 2336           5. Facilities that are not in compliance with department  
 2337 storage tank rules, until the noncompliance issues have been  
 2338 resolved; or  
 2339           6. Costs associated with damage to petroleum storage  
 2340 systems caused in whole or in part by causes other than the  
 2341 storage of fuels blended with ethanol or biodiesel.

2342           Section 66. The text of s. 376.3071(15) (g), Florida  
 2343 Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2020-114, Laws of  
 2344 Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that  
 2345 paragraph shall revert to that in existence on July 1, 2020, but  
 2346 not including any amendments made by this act or chapter 2020-  
 2347 114, Laws of Florida, and any amendments to such text enacted  
 2348 other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to  
 2349 operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent  
 2350 upon the portion of text which expires pursuant to this section.

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2351           Section 67. In order to implement specific appropriations  
 2352 from the Florida Forever Trust Fund within the Department of  
 2353 Environmental Protection, which are contained in the 2024-2025  
 2354 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (m) of subsection (3) of  
 2355 section 259.105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2356           259.105 The Florida Forever Act.—

2357           (3) Less the costs of issuing and the costs of funding  
 2358 reserve accounts and other costs associated with bonds, the  
 2359 proceeds of cash payments or bonds issued pursuant to this  
 2360 section shall be deposited into the Florida Forever Trust Fund  
 2361 created by s. 259.1051. The proceeds shall be distributed by the  
 2362 Department of Environmental Protection in the following manner:

2363           (m) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a)-(j) and for the 2024-  
 2364 2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, the proceeds shall be distributed as  
 2365 provided in the General Appropriations Act. This paragraph  
 2366 expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2367           Section 68. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2368 2274A of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 2369 notwithstanding chapter 287, Florida Statutes, the Department of  
 2370 Citrus shall enter into agreements for the purpose of increasing  
 2371 production of trees that show tolerance or resistance to citrus  
 2372 greening and to commercialize technologies that produce  
 2373 tolerance or resistance to citrus greening in trees. The  
 2374 department shall enter into these agreements no later than  
 2375 January 1, 2025, and shall file with the department's Inspector

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2376 General a certification of conditions and circumstances  
 2377 justifying each agreement entered into without competitive  
 2378 solicitation. This section expires July 1, 2025.

2379 Section 69. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2380 1740B of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Local  
 2381 Government Water Supply Pilot Grant Program is created within  
 2382 the Department of Environmental Protection. In recognition of  
 2383 the area's unique water source constraints, including the  
 2384 protection of the Coastal Floridan aquifer, the Department of  
 2385 Environmental Protection shall implement the pilot program to  
 2386 provide funds to local governments for water supply  
 2387 infrastructure, including distribution and transmission  
 2388 facilities. To be eligible for the pilot program, a water supply  
 2389 infrastructure project must be located within Region I or Region  
 2390 II of the Northwest Florida Regional Water Supply Plan. If a  
 2391 developer is involved in the project, the Department of  
 2392 Environmental Protection shall require match funding equal to  
 2393 the amount of the grant request from local, federal, or private  
 2394 funds. The Department of Environmental Protection shall  
 2395 expeditiously develop an application process and may adopt rules  
 2396 to implement this pilot program. This section expires July 1,  
 2397 2025.

2398 Section 70. In order to implement section 169 of the 2024-  
 2399 2025 General Appropriations Act, section 380.5105, Florida  
 2400 Statutes, is amended to read:



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2401           380.5105 The Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts; Florida  
2402 Forever program.—

2403           (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,  
2404 it is the intent of the Legislature that the trust shall  
2405 administer the working waterfronts land acquisition program as  
2406 set forth in this section.

2407           (a)~~(2)~~ The trust and the Department of Agriculture and  
2408 Consumer Services shall jointly develop rules specifically  
2409 establishing an application process and a process for the  
2410 evaluation, scoring and ranking of working waterfront  
2411 ~~acquisition~~ projects. The proposed rules jointly developed  
2412 pursuant to this paragraph ~~subsection~~ shall be promulgated by  
2413 the trust. Such rules shall establish a system of weighted  
2414 criteria to give increased priority to projects:

2415           1.~~(a)~~ Within a municipality with a population less than  
2416 30,000;

2417           2.~~(b)~~ Within a municipality or area under intense growth  
2418 and development pressures, as evidenced by a number of factors,  
2419 including a determination that the municipality's growth rate  
2420 exceeds the average growth rate for the state;

2421           3.~~(c)~~ Within the boundary of a community redevelopment  
2422 agency established pursuant to s. 163.356;

2423           4.~~(d)~~ Adjacent to state-owned submerged lands designated  
2424 as an aquatic preserve identified in s. 258.39; or

2425           5.~~(e)~~ That provide a demonstrable benefit to the local

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2426 economy.

2427 (b)~~(3)~~ For projects that will require more than the grant  
 2428 amount awarded for completion, the applicant must identify in  
 2429 their project application funding sources that will provide the  
 2430 difference between the grant award and the estimated project  
 2431 completion cost. Such rules may be incorporated into those  
 2432 developed pursuant to s. 380.507(11).

2433 (c)~~(4)~~ The trust shall develop a ranking list based on  
 2434 criteria identified in paragraph (a) ~~subsection (2)~~ for proposed  
 2435 fee simple and less-than-fee simple acquisition projects  
 2436 developed pursuant to this section. The trust shall, by the  
 2437 first Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund  
 2438 meeting in February, present the ranking list pursuant to this  
 2439 section to the board of trustees for final approval of projects  
 2440 for funding. The board of trustees may remove projects from the  
 2441 ranking list but may not add projects.

2442 (d)~~(5)~~ Grant awards, acquisition approvals, and terms of  
 2443 less-than-fee acquisitions shall be approved by the trust.  
 2444 Waterfront communities that receive grant awards must submit  
 2445 annual progress reports to the trust identifying project  
 2446 activities which are complete, and the progress achieved in  
 2447 meeting the goals outlined in the project application. The trust  
 2448 must implement a process to monitor and evaluate the performance  
 2449 of grant recipients in completing projects that are funded  
 2450 through the working waterfronts program.

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2451 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,  
2452 it is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of  
2453 Environmental Protection shall administer the working  
2454 waterfronts capital outlay grant program as set forth in this  
2455 section to support the commercial fishing industry, including  
2456 the infrastructure for receiving or unloading seafood for the  
2457 purpose of supporting the seafood economy.

2458 (a) The working waterfronts capital outlay grant program  
2459 is created to provide funding to assist commercial saltwater  
2460 products or commercial saltwater wholesale dealer or retailer  
2461 license holders and seafood houses in maintaining their  
2462 operations.

2463 (b) Eligible costs and expenditures include fixed capital  
2464 outlay and operating capital outlay, including, but not limited  
2465 to, the repair and maintenance or replacement of equipment, the  
2466 repair and maintenance or replacement of water-adjacent  
2467 facilities or infrastructure, and the construction or renovation  
2468 of shore-side facilities.

2469 (c) The applicant must demonstrate a benefit to the local  
2470 economy.

2471 (d) Grant recipients must submit annual progress reports  
2472 to the department identifying project activities that are  
2473 complete and the progress achieved in meeting the goals outlined  
2474 in the project application.

2475 (e) The department shall implement a process to monitor

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2476 and evaluate the performance of grant recipients in completing  
 2477 projects funded through the program.

2478 Section 71. The amendments to s. 380.5105, Florida  
 2479 Statutes, made by this act expire July 1, 2025, and the text of  
 2480 that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2024,  
 2481 except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by  
 2482 this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the  
 2483 extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions  
 2484 of text which expire pursuant to this section.

2485 Section 72. In order to implement section 163 of the 2024-  
 2486 2025 General Appropriations Act, section 10 of chapter 2022-272,  
 2487 Laws of Florida, as amended by section 61 of chapter 2023-240,  
 2488 Laws of Florida is amended to read:

2489 Section 10. Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement Grant  
 2490 Program.—

2491 (1) There is hereby created within the Department of  
 2492 Environmental Protection the Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement  
 2493 Grant Program for the purpose of providing financial assistance  
 2494 to mitigate coastal beach erosion for coastal homeowners whose  
 2495 property was significantly impacted by Hurricane Ian or  
 2496 Hurricane Nicole in 2022. The department is authorized to  
 2497 provide financial assistance grants to eligible recipients  
 2498 located in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Duval, Flagler,  
 2499 Indian River, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Nassau, Palm Beach, Saint  
 2500 Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota, and Volusia Counties.

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2501 (2) The department may provide grants to property owners  
 2502 to mitigate for coastal beach erosion caused by Hurricane Ian or  
 2503 Hurricane Nicole during 2022. Grant funding may only be used to  
 2504 reimburse a property owner for construction costs:

2505 (a) Related to sand placement and temporary or permanent  
 2506 coastal armoring construction projects to mitigate coastal beach  
 2507 erosion and may not be used for the repair of residential  
 2508 structures.

2509 (b) Incurred as a result of preparation for or damage  
 2510 sustained from Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole in 2022.

2511 (c) Incurred after September 23, 2022.

2512 (d) Related to a project that has been permitted, is  
 2513 exempt from permitting requirements, or is otherwise authorized  
 2514 by law.

2515 (3) Financial assistance grants may only be provided to  
 2516 mitigate damage to property located in Brevard, Broward,  
 2517 Charlotte, Collier, Duval, Flagler, Indian River, Lee, Manatee,  
 2518 Martin, Nassau, Palm Beach, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota,  
 2519 and Volusia Counties that is a:

2520 (a) Residential property that meets the following  
 2521 requirements:

2522 1. The parcel must be a single-family, site-built,  
 2523 residential property or a multi-family, site-built, residential  
 2524 property not to exceed four units; and

2525 2. The homeowner must have been granted a homestead

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2526 exemption on the home under chapter 196, Florida Statutes;  
 2527 (b) Residential condominium, as defined in chapter 718,  
 2528 Florida Statutes; or  
 2529 (c) Cooperative, as defined in chapter 719, Florida  
 2530 Statutes.  
 2531 (4)(a) The department shall reimburse 100 percent of the  
 2532 cost of eligible sand placement projects. For armoring projects  
 2533 on residential properties eligible under paragraph (3)(a), the  
 2534 department shall cost-share with \$1 provided by the property  
 2535 owner for every \$1 provided by the state with a maximum of  
 2536 \$300,000 in state funding toward the actual cost of an eligible  
 2537 project. For armoring projects on properties eligible under  
 2538 paragraphs (3)(b) and (c), the department shall cost-share with  
 2539 \$1 provided by the property owner for every \$1 provided by the  
 2540 state with a maximum of \$600,000 in state funding toward the  
 2541 actual cost of an eligible project. The department shall  
 2542 prioritize applicants who are low-income or moderate-income  
 2543 persons, as defined in s. 420.0004, Florida Statutes. Grants  
 2544 will be awarded to property owners for eligible projects  
 2545 following the receipt of a completed application on a first-  
 2546 come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted.  
 2547 1. Applications may be submitted beginning February 1,  
 2548 2023.  
 2549 2. Applicants must include evidence that the project meets  
 2550 the criteria in subsections (2) and (3).

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2551 (b) If the department determines that an application meets  
 2552 the requirements of this section, the department shall enter  
 2553 into a cost-share grant agreement with the applicant consistent  
 2554 with this section.

2555 (c) The department shall disburse grant funds on a  
 2556 reimbursement basis. In order to receive reimbursement, property  
 2557 owners must submit, at a minimum:

2558 1. If applicable, the permit issued under chapter 161,  
 2559 Florida Statutes, or applicable statute, and evidence that the  
 2560 project complies with all permitting requirements.

2561 2. All invoices and payment receipts for eligible  
 2562 projects.

2563 3. If applicable, documentation that the eligible project  
 2564 was completed by a licensed professional or contractor.

2565 (5) Beginning July 1, 2024, local governments and  
 2566 municipalities may apply for program funds to implement large  
 2567 scale sand placement projects located in a county listed in  
 2568 subsection (1). Impacted counties and municipalities may request  
 2569 funding for such projects that protect upland structures and  
 2570 provide benefits to property owners at large. Funding will be  
 2571 distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Up to 100  
 2572 percent of costs are eligible. Projects must be able to be  
 2573 completed by July 1, 2025. No more than 50 percent of remaining  
 2574 funds will be used for this purpose.

2575 (6)-(5) No later than January 31, 2023, the department

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2576 shall adopt emergency rules prescribing the procedures,  
 2577 administration, and criteria for approving the applications for  
 2578 the Hurricane Restoration Reimbursement Grant Program. The  
 2579 department is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to  
 2580 adopt emergency rules under ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54(4),  
 2581 Florida Statutes, to implement this section. The Legislature  
 2582 finds that such emergency rulemaking authority is necessary to  
 2583 address critical shoreline erosion which may result in the loss  
 2584 of property by homeowners in those areas of the state that  
 2585 sustained damage due to Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole during  
 2586 2022. Such rules shall remain effective until the funding in the  
 2587 grant program is exhausted or this section expires for 6 months  
 2588 after the date of adoption.

2589 ~~(7)(6)~~ This section expires July 1, 2025 2024.

2590 Section 73. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2591 1919 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act and  
 2592 notwithstanding s. 823.11(4)(c), Florida Statutes, the Fish and  
 2593 Wildlife Conservation Commission may use funds appropriated for  
 2594 the derelict vessel removal program for grants to local  
 2595 governments or to remove, store, destroy, and dispose of, or to  
 2596 pay private contractors to remove, store, destroy, and dispose  
 2597 of, derelict vessels or vessels declared a public nuisance  
 2598 pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), Florida Statutes. This section  
 2599 expires July 1, 2025.

2600 Section 74. In order to implement Specific Appropriation



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2601 1864 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, a county or  
 2602 municipal government may not amend or adopt an ordinance that  
 2603 restricts or prohibits the operation of a leaf blower that is  
 2604 powered by an internal combustion engine or motor. This section  
 2605 expires July 1, 2025.

2606 Section 75. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2607 1741 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (8)  
 2608 is added to section 403.0673, Florida Statutes to read:

2609 (8) For the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year, and notwithstanding the  
 2610 requirements of subsection (4), (5), and (6), the department  
 2611 shall dedicate at least \$25 million of the revenues transferred  
 2612 from s. 201.15(4)(h), for priority projects to improve water  
 2613 quality in the Indian River Lagoon. This subsection expires July  
 2614 1, 2025.

2615 Section 76. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2616 1612 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 2617 notwithstanding chapter 287, Florida Statutes, the Department of  
 2618 Agriculture and Consumer Services shall enter into agreements  
 2619 for the purpose of advancing technologies leading to the  
 2620 creation of a genetically engineered self-limiting strain of an  
 2621 Asian Citrus Psyllid for population suppression. The department  
 2622 shall enter into these agreements no later than January 1, 2025,  
 2623 and shall file with the department's Inspector General a  
 2624 certification of conditions and circumstances justifying each  
 2625 agreement entered into without competitive solicitation. This

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2626 | section expires July 1, 2025.

2627 |       Section 77. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
2628 | 2736 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b)  
2629 | of subsection (3) and subsection (5) of section 321.04, Florida  
2630 | Statutes, are amended to read:

2631 |       321.04 Personnel of the highway patrol; rank  
2632 | classifications; probationary status of new patrol officers;  
2633 | subsistence; special assignments.—

2634 |       (3)

2635 |       (b) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, upon the  
2636 | request of the Governor, the Department of Highway Safety and  
2637 | Motor Vehicles shall assign one or more patrol officers to the  
2638 | office of the Lieutenant Governor for security services. This  
2639 | paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2640 |       (5) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, the  
2641 | assignment of a patrol officer by the department shall include a  
2642 | Cabinet member specified in s. 4, Art. IV of the State  
2643 | Constitution if deemed appropriate by the department or in  
2644 | response to a threat and upon written request of such Cabinet  
2645 | member. This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2646 |       Section 78. In order to implement section 212 of the 2024-  
2647 | 2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section  
2648 | 288.80125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2649 |       288.80125 Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund.—

2650 |       (3) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, funds shall

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2651 | be used for the Rebuild Florida Revolving Loan Fund program to  
 2652 | provide assistance to businesses impacted by Hurricane Michael  
 2653 | as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This subsection  
 2654 | expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2655 |         Section 79. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 2656 | 2284 through 2291 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 2657 | and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 65 of chapter  
 2658 | 2023-240, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 288.8013,  
 2659 | Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2660 |             288.8013 Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.; creation; funding;  
 2661 | investment.-

2662 |         (3) Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., shall establish a trust  
 2663 | account at a federally insured financial institution to hold  
 2664 | funds received from the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund and make  
 2665 | deposits and payments. Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., may invest  
 2666 | surplus funds in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund,  
 2667 | pursuant to s. 218.407. Earnings generated by investments and  
 2668 | interest of the fund may be retained and used to make awards  
 2669 | pursuant to this act or, notwithstanding paragraph (2)(d), for  
 2670 | administrative costs, including costs in excess of the cap.  
 2671 | Administrative costs may include payment of travel and per diem  
 2672 | expenses of board members, audits, salary or other costs for  
 2673 | employed or contracted staff, including required staff under s.  
 2674 | 288.8014(9), and other allowable costs. The annual salary for  
 2675 | any employee or contracted staff may not exceed \$130,000, and

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2676 associated benefits may not exceed 35 percent of salary.

2677 Section 80. The text of s. 288.8013(3), Florida Statutes,  
 2678 as carried forward from chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida, by  
 2679 this act expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that subsection  
 2680 shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023, except that  
 2681 any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall  
 2682 be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such  
 2683 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which  
 2684 expire pursuant to this section.

2685 Section 81. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 2686 2024 through 2037, 2037F, 2037G, 2049 through 2055, 2058 through  
 2687 2062, 2064 through 2072, and 2104 through 2116 of the 2024-2025  
 2688 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (h) of subsection (7) of  
 2689 section 339.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2690 339.135 Work program; legislative budget request;  
 2691 definitions; preparation, adoption, execution, and amendment.—

2692 (7) AMENDMENT OF THE ADOPTED WORK PROGRAM.—

2693 (h)1. Any work program amendment that also adds a new  
 2694 project, or phase thereof, to the adopted work program in excess  
 2695 of \$3 million is subject to approval by the Legislative Budget  
 2696 Commission. Any work program amendment submitted under this  
 2697 paragraph must include, as supplemental information, a list of  
 2698 projects, or phases thereof, in the current 5-year adopted work  
 2699 program which are eligible for the funds within the  
 2700 appropriation category being used for the proposed amendment.

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2701 The department shall provide a narrative with the rationale for  
 2702 not advancing an existing project, or phase thereof, in lieu of  
 2703 the proposed amendment.

2704 2. If the department submits an amendment to the  
 2705 Legislative Budget Commission and the commission does not meet  
 2706 or consider the amendment within 30 days after its submittal,  
 2707 the chair and vice chair of the commission may authorize the  
 2708 amendment to be approved pursuant to s. 216.177. This  
 2709 subparagraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2710 Section 82. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2711 3056 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, section  
 2712 250.245, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2713 250.245 Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment  
 2714 Enhancement Program.—

2715 (1) The Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment  
 2716 Enhancement Program (JEEP) is established within the Department  
 2717 of Military Affairs. The purpose of the program is to motivate  
 2718 soldiers, airmen, and retirees of the Florida National Guard to  
 2719 bolster recruitment efforts and increase the force structure of  
 2720 the Florida National Guard.

2721 (2) As used in this section, the term "recruiting  
 2722 assistant" means a member of the Florida National Guard or a  
 2723 retiree of the Florida National Guard who assists in the  
 2724 recruitment of a new member and who provides motivation,  
 2725 encouragement, and moral support until the enlistment of such

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2726 new member.

2727 (3) A current member in pay grade E-1 to O-3 or a retiree  
 2728 in any pay grade is eligible for participation in JEEP as a  
 2729 recruiting assistant.

2730 (4) The Adjutant General shall provide compensation to  
 2731 recruiting assistants participating in JEEP. A recruiting  
 2732 assistant shall receive \$1,000 for each new member referred by  
 2733 them to the Florida National Guard upon the enlistment of such  
 2734 referred member.

2735 (5) The Department of Military Affairs, in cooperation  
 2736 with the Florida National Guard, shall adopt rules to administer  
 2737 the program.

2738 (6) This section expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2739 Section 83. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2740 2348 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (6)  
 2741 of section 288.0655, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2742 288.0655 Rural Infrastructure Fund.—

2743 (6) For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, the funds  
 2744 appropriated for the grant program for Florida Panhandle  
 2745 counties shall be distributed pursuant to and for the purposes  
 2746 described in the proviso language associated with Specific  
 2747 Appropriation 2348 ~~2342~~ of the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ General  
 2748 Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2749 Section 84. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
 2750 2705 through 2714 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,

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2751 and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes,  
 2752 the Division of Emergency Management may submit budget  
 2753 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection  
 2754 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget  
 2755 authority for projected expenditures due to reimbursements from  
 2756 federally declared disasters. This section expires July 1, 2025.

2757 Section 85. Effective July 1, 2024, and in order to  
 2758 implement Specific Appropriation 2693A of the 2024-2025 General  
 2759 Appropriations act, subsection (2) of section 282.201, Florida  
 2760 Statutes, is amended to read:

2761 282.201 State data center.—The state data center is  
 2762 established within the department. The provision of data center  
 2763 services must comply with applicable state and federal laws,  
 2764 regulations, and policies, including all applicable security,  
 2765 privacy, and auditing requirements. The department shall appoint  
 2766 a director of the state data center who has experience in  
 2767 leading data center facilities and has expertise in cloud-  
 2768 computing management.

2769 (2) USE OF THE STATE DATA CENTER.—

2770 (a) The following are exempt from the use of the state  
 2771 data center: the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department  
 2772 of the Lottery's Gaming System, Systems Design and Development  
 2773 in the Office of Policy and Budget, the regional traffic  
 2774 management centers as described in s. 335.14(2) and the Office  
 2775 of Toll Operations of the Department of Transportation, the

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2776 State Board of Administration, state attorneys, public  
 2777 defenders, criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, capital  
 2778 collateral regional counsel, and the Florida Housing Finance  
 2779 Corporation.

2780 (b) The Division of Emergency Management is exempt from  
 2781 the use of the state data center. This paragraph expires July 1,  
 2782 2025.

2783 Section 86. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2784 2784 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4)  
 2785 is added to section 320.08053, Florida Statutes, to read:

2786 320.08053 Establishment of specialty license plates.—

2787 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the  
 2788 department shall extend the presale period for the Florida State  
 2789 Beekeepers Association by an additional 12 months. This  
 2790 subsection expires July 1, 2025.

2791 Section 87. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 2792 2671 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d)  
 2793 of subsection (4) of section 112.061, Florida Statutes, is  
 2794 amended to read:

2795 112.061 Per diem and travel expenses of public officers,  
 2796 employees, and authorized persons; statewide travel management  
 2797 system.—

2798 (4) OFFICIAL HEADQUARTERS.—The official headquarters of an  
 2799 officer or employee assigned to an office shall be the city or  
 2800 town in which the office is located except that:



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2801 (d) A Lieutenant Governor who permanently resides outside  
 2802 of Leon County, may, if he or she so requests, have an  
 2803 appropriate facility in his or her county designated as his or  
 2804 her official headquarters for purposes of this section. This  
 2805 official headquarters may only serve as the Lieutenant  
 2806 Governor's personal office. The Lieutenant Governor may not use  
 2807 state funds to lease space in any facility for his or her  
 2808 official headquarters.

2809 1. A Lieutenant Governor for whom an official headquarters  
 2810 is established in his or her county of residence pursuant to  
 2811 this paragraph is eligible for subsistence at a rate to be  
 2812 established by the Governor for each day or partial day that the  
 2813 Lieutenant Governor is at the State Capitol to conduct official  
 2814 state business. In addition to the subsistence allowance, a  
 2815 Lieutenant Governor is eligible for reimbursement for  
 2816 transportation expenses as provided in subsection (7) for travel  
 2817 between the Lieutenant Governor's official headquarters and the  
 2818 State Capitol to conduct state business.

2819 2. Payment of subsistence and reimbursement for  
 2820 transportation between a Lieutenant Governor's official  
 2821 headquarters and the State Capitol shall be made to the extent  
 2822 appropriated funds are available, as determined by the Governor.

2823 3. This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

2824 Section 88. (1) In order to implement section 8 of the  
 2825 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, beginning July 1, 2024,

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2826 and on the first day of each month thereafter, the Department of  
 2827 Management Services shall assess an administrative health  
 2828 insurance assessment to each state agency equal to the  
 2829 employer's cost of individual employee health care coverage for  
 2830 each vacant position within such agency eligible for coverage  
 2831 through the Division of State Group Insurance. As used in this  
 2832 section, the term "state agency" means an agency within the  
 2833 State Personnel System, the Department of the Lottery, the  
 2834 Justice Administrative Commission and all entities  
 2835 administratively housed in the Justice Administrative  
 2836 Commission, and the state courts system.

2837 (2) Each state agency shall remit the assessed  
 2838 administrative health insurance assessment under subsection (1)  
 2839 to the State Employees Health Insurance Trust Fund, for the  
 2840 State Group Insurance Program, as provided in ss. 110.123 and  
 2841 110.1239, Florida Statutes, from currently allocated monies for  
 2842 salaries and benefits, within 30 days after receipt of the  
 2843 assessment from the Department of Management Services. Should  
 2844 any state agency become more than 60 days delinquent in payment  
 2845 of this obligation, the Department of Management Services shall  
 2846 certify to the Chief Financial Officer the amount due and the  
 2847 Chief Financial Officer shall transfer the amount due to the  
 2848 Department of Management Services.

2849 (3) The administrative health insurance assessment shall  
 2850 apply to all vacant positions funded with state funds whether

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2851 fully or partially funded with state funds. Vacant positions  
 2852 partially funded with state funds shall pay a percentage of the  
 2853 assessment imposed in subsection (1) equal to the percentage  
 2854 share of state funds provided for such vacant positions. No  
 2855 assessment shall apply to vacant positions fully funded with  
 2856 federal funds. Each state agency shall provide the Department of  
 2857 Management Services with a complete list of position numbers  
 2858 that are funded, or partially funded, with federal funding, and  
 2859 include the percentage of federal funding for each position no  
 2860 later than July 31, 2024, and shall update the list on the last  
 2861 day of each month thereafter. For federally funded vacant  
 2862 positions, or partially funded vacant positions, each state  
 2863 agency shall immediately take steps to include the  
 2864 administrative health insurance assessment in its indirect cost  
 2865 plan for the 2025-2026 fiscal year and each fiscal year  
 2866 thereafter. A state agency shall notify the Department of  
 2867 Management Services, the Executive Office of the Governor, and  
 2868 the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriation and the chair  
 2869 of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, upon  
 2870 approval of the updated indirect cost plan. If the state agency  
 2871 is not able to obtain approval from its federal awarding agency,  
 2872 the state agency must notify the Department of Management  
 2873 Services, the Executive Office of the Governor, and the  
 2874 appropriation chairs no later than January 15, 2025.  
 2875 (4) Pursuant to the notice, review, and objection

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2876 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office  
2877 of the Governor may transfer budget authority appropriated in  
2878 the Salaries and Benefits appropriation category between  
2879 agencies in order to align the appropriations granted with the  
2880 assessments that must be paid by each agency to the Department  
2881 of Management Services for the administrative health insurance  
2882 assessment.

2883 (5) This section expires July 1, 2025.

2884 Section 89. In order to implement Specific Appropriations  
2885 2800 and 2801 of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
2886 notwithstanding s. 11.13(1), Florida Statutes, the authorized  
2887 salaries for members of the Legislature for the 2024-2025 fiscal  
2888 year shall be set at the same level in effect on July 1, 2010.  
2889 This section expires July 1, 2025.

2890 Section 90. In order to implement the transfer of funds  
2891 from the General Revenue Fund from trust funds for the 2024-2025  
2892 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration  
2893 date in section 76 of chapter 2023-240, Laws of Florida,  
2894 paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 215.32, Florida  
2895 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2896 215.32 State funds; segregation.—

2897 (2) The source and use of each of these funds shall be as  
2898 follows:

2899 (b)1. The trust funds shall consist of moneys received by  
2900 the state which under law or under trust agreement are

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2901 segregated for a purpose authorized by law. The state agency or  
 2902 branch of state government receiving or collecting such moneys  
 2903 is responsible for their proper expenditure as provided by law.  
 2904 Upon the request of the state agency or branch of state  
 2905 government responsible for the administration of the trust fund,  
 2906 the Chief Financial Officer may establish accounts within the  
 2907 trust fund at a level considered necessary for proper  
 2908 accountability. Once an account is established, the Chief  
 2909 Financial Officer may authorize payment from that account only  
 2910 upon determining that there is sufficient cash and releases at  
 2911 the level of the account.

2912 2. In addition to other trust funds created by law, to the  
 2913 extent possible, each agency shall use the following trust funds  
 2914 as described in this subparagraph for day-to-day operations:

2915 a. Operations or operating trust fund, for use as a  
 2916 depository for funds to be used for program operations funded by  
 2917 program revenues, with the exception of administrative  
 2918 activities when the operations or operating trust fund is a  
 2919 proprietary fund.

2920 b. Operations and maintenance trust fund, for use as a  
 2921 depository for client services funded by third-party payors.

2922 c. Administrative trust fund, for use as a depository for  
 2923 funds to be used for management activities that are departmental  
 2924 in nature and funded by indirect cost earnings and assessments  
 2925 against trust funds. Proprietary funds are excluded from the

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2926 requirement of using an administrative trust fund.  
 2927       d. Grants and donations trust fund, for use as a  
 2928 depository for funds to be used for allowable grant or donor  
 2929 agreement activities funded by restricted contractual revenue  
 2930 from private and public nonfederal sources.  
 2931       e. Agency working capital trust fund, for use as a  
 2932 depository for funds to be used pursuant to s. 216.272.  
 2933       f. Clearing funds trust fund, for use as a depository for  
 2934 funds to account for collections pending distribution to lawful  
 2935 recipients.  
 2936       g. Federal grant trust fund, for use as a depository for  
 2937 funds to be used for allowable grant activities funded by  
 2938 restricted program revenues from federal sources.  
 2939  
 2940 To the extent possible, each agency must adjust its internal  
 2941 accounting to use existing trust funds consistent with the  
 2942 requirements of this subparagraph. If an agency does not have  
 2943 trust funds listed in this subparagraph and cannot make such  
 2944 adjustment, the agency must recommend the creation of the  
 2945 necessary trust funds to the Legislature no later than the next  
 2946 scheduled review of the agency's trust funds pursuant to s.  
 2947 215.3206.  
 2948       3. All such moneys are hereby appropriated to be expended  
 2949 in accordance with the law or trust agreement under which they  
 2950 were received, subject always to the provisions of chapter 216

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2951 relating to the appropriation of funds and to the applicable  
 2952 laws relating to the deposit or expenditure of moneys in the  
 2953 State Treasury.

2954 4.a. Notwithstanding any provision of law restricting the  
 2955 use of trust funds to specific purposes, unappropriated cash  
 2956 balances from selected trust funds may be authorized by the  
 2957 Legislature for transfer to the Budget Stabilization Fund and  
 2958 General Revenue Fund in the General Appropriations Act.

2959 b. This subparagraph does not apply to trust funds  
 2960 required by federal programs or mandates; trust funds  
 2961 established for bond covenants, indentures, or resolutions whose  
 2962 revenues are legally pledged by the state or public body to meet  
 2963 debt service or other financial requirements of any debt  
 2964 obligations of the state or any public body; the Division of  
 2965 Licensing Trust Fund in the Department of Agriculture and  
 2966 Consumer Services; the State Transportation Trust Fund; the  
 2967 trust fund containing the net annual proceeds from the Florida  
 2968 Education Lotteries; the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund;  
 2969 trust funds under the management of the State Board of Education  
 2970 or the Board of Governors of the State University System, where  
 2971 such trust funds are for auxiliary enterprises, self-insurance,  
 2972 and contracts, grants, and donations, as those terms are defined  
 2973 by general law; trust funds that serve as clearing funds or  
 2974 accounts for the Chief Financial Officer or state agencies;  
 2975 trust funds that account for assets held by the state in a

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2976 trustee capacity as an agent or fiduciary for individuals,  
 2977 private organizations, or other governmental units; and other  
 2978 trust funds authorized by the State Constitution.

2979 Section 91. The text of s. 215.32(2)(b), Florida Statutes,  
 2980 as carried forward from chapter 2011-47, Laws of Florida, by  
 2981 this act, expires July 1, 2025, and the text of that paragraph  
 2982 shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2011, except that  
 2983 any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall  
 2984 be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such  
 2985 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which  
 2986 expire pursuant to this section.

2987 Section 92. In order to implement appropriations in the  
 2988 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel,  
 2989 the funds appropriated to each state agency which may be used  
 2990 for travel by state employees are limited during the 2024-2025  
 2991 fiscal year to travel for activities that are critical to each  
 2992 state agency's mission. Funds may not be used for travel by  
 2993 state employees to foreign countries, other states, conferences,  
 2994 staff training activities, or other administrative functions  
 2995 unless the agency head has approved, in writing, that such  
 2996 activities are critical to the agency's mission. The agency head  
 2997 shall consider using teleconferencing and other forms of  
 2998 electronic communication to meet the needs of the proposed  
 2999 activity before approving mission-critical travel. This section  
 3000 does not apply to travel for law enforcement purposes, military



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3001 purposes, emergency management activities, or public health  
 3002 activities. This section expires July 1, 2025.

3003       Section 93. In order to implement appropriations in the  
 3004 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel  
 3005 and notwithstanding s. 112.061, Florida Statutes, costs for  
 3006 lodging associated with a meeting, conference, or convention  
 3007 organized or sponsored in whole or in part by a state agency or  
 3008 the judicial branch may not exceed \$225 per day. An employee may  
 3009 expend his or her own funds for any lodging expenses in excess  
 3010 of \$225 per day. For purposes of this section, a meeting does  
 3011 not include travel activities for conducting an audit,  
 3012 examination, inspection, or investigation or travel activities  
 3013 related to a litigation or emergency response. This section  
 3014 expires July 1, 2025.

3015       Section 94. In order to implement the appropriations and  
 3016 reappropriations authorized in the 2024-2025 General  
 3017 Appropriations Act, paragraph (d) of subsection (11) of section  
 3018 216.181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

3019       216.181 Approved budgets for operations and fixed capital  
 3020 outlay.—

3021       (11)

3022       (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) and paragraph (2)(b),  
 3023 and for the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year only, the  
 3024 Legislative Budget Commission may approve budget amendments for  
 3025 new fixed capital outlay projects or increase the amounts

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3026 appropriated to state agencies for fixed capital outlay  
 3027 projects. This paragraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

3028  
 3029 The provisions of this subsection are subject to the notice and  
 3030 objection procedures set forth in s. 216.177.

3031 Section 95. In order to implement the salaries and  
 3032 benefits, expenses, other personal services, contracted  
 3033 services, special categories, and operating capital outlay  
 3034 categories of the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 3035 paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 216.292, Florida  
 3036 Statutes, is amended to read:

3037 216.292 Appropriations nontransferable; exceptions.—

3038 (2) The following transfers are authorized to be made by  
 3039 the head of each department or the Chief Justice of the Supreme  
 3040 Court whenever it is deemed necessary by reason of changed  
 3041 conditions:

3042 (a) The transfer of appropriations funded from identical  
 3043 funding sources, except appropriations for fixed capital outlay,  
 3044 and the transfer of amounts included within the total original  
 3045 approved budget and plans of releases of appropriations as  
 3046 furnished pursuant to ss. 216.181 and 216.192, as follows:

3047 1. Between categories of appropriations within a budget  
 3048 entity, if no category of appropriation is increased or  
 3049 decreased by more than 5 percent of the original approved budget  
 3050 or \$250,000, whichever is greater, by all action taken under

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3051 | this subsection.

3052 |         2. Between budget entities within identical categories of  
 3053 | appropriations, if no category of appropriation is increased or  
 3054 | decreased by more than 5 percent of the original approved budget  
 3055 | or \$250,000, whichever is greater, by all action taken under  
 3056 | this subsection.

3057 |         3. Any agency exceeding salary rate established pursuant  
 3058 | to s. 216.181(8) on June 30th of any fiscal year shall not be  
 3059 | authorized to make transfers pursuant to subparagraphs 1. and 2.  
 3060 | in the subsequent fiscal year.

3061 |         4. Notice of proposed transfers under subparagraphs 1. and  
 3062 | 2. shall be provided to the Executive Office of the Governor and  
 3063 | the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees at least  
 3064 | 3 days prior to agency implementation in order to provide an  
 3065 | opportunity for review. The review shall be limited to ensuring  
 3066 | that the transfer is in compliance with the requirements of this  
 3067 | paragraph.

3068 |         5. For the 2024-2025 ~~2023-2024~~ fiscal year, the review  
 3069 | shall ensure that transfers proposed pursuant to this paragraph  
 3070 | comply with this chapter, maximize the use of available and  
 3071 | appropriate trust funds, and are not contrary to legislative  
 3072 | policy and intent. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

3073 |         Section 96. In order to implement appropriations in the  
 3074 | 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act for the acquisitions of  
 3075 | motor vehicles, and notwithstanding chapter 287, Florida

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3076 Statutes, relating to the purchase of motor vehicles from a  
 3077 state term contract, state agencies may purchase vehicles from  
 3078 nonstate term contract vendors without prior approval from the  
 3079 Department of Management Services, provided the cost of the  
 3080 motor vehicle is equal to or less than the cost of a similar  
 3081 class of vehicle found on a state term contract and provided the  
 3082 funds for the purchase have been specifically appropriated. This  
 3083 section expires July 1, 2025.

3084 Section 97. In order to implement Specific Appropriation  
 3085 2880 in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and  
 3086 notwithstanding s. 255.25(3)(a), Florida Statutes, the  
 3087 Department of Management Services, the Executive Office of the  
 3088 Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief Financial  
 3089 Officer, and the Attorney General are authorized to enter into a  
 3090 lease as a lessee not to exceed 24 months for the use of space  
 3091 in a privately owned building, even if such space is 5,000  
 3092 square feet or more, without having to advertise or receive  
 3093 competitive solicitations. This section expires July 1, 2025.

3094 Section 98. In order to implement section 171 of the 2024-  
 3095 2025 General Appropriations Act:

3096 (1) The Department of Environmental Protection shall  
 3097 negotiate and, upon a mutual agreement with any willing seller,  
 3098 purchase lands or interests in lands, subject to appraisals and  
 3099 pursuant to chapter 253, Florida Statutes, within the following  
 3100 land areas:

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3101 (a) The Caloosahatchee Big Cypress Corridor, which  
 3102 consists of approximately 75,000 acres in Hendry and Collier  
 3103 Counties connecting the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge  
 3104 and the Big Cypress National Preserve to the Dinner Island  
 3105 Wildlife Management Area, the Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest,  
 3106 and the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed Wildlife and  
 3107 Environmental Area; and

3108 (b) The Ocala-to-Osceola Wildlife Corridor, which consists  
 3109 of approximately 1.6 million acres in Alachua, Baker, Bradford,  
 3110 Clay, Columbia, Duval, Hamilton, Lake, Marion, Putnam, Union,  
 3111 and Volusia Counties connecting the Osceola National Forest to  
 3112 the Ocala National Forest.

3113 (2) To reduce the state's land management costs, the  
 3114 Department of Environmental Protection shall offer, at the  
 3115 selling property owner's option, negotiated terms for each  
 3116 property owner within the Caloosahatchee Big Cypress Corridor to  
 3117 lease all or a portion of the property for fair market value for  
 3118 agricultural purposes for 10-year terms.

3119 (a) Each lease must include, at the option of the lessee,  
 3120 at least two 5-year extensions, so long as the lessee is in  
 3121 compliance with the lease terms.

3122 (b) Any agricultural uses authorized may not be more  
 3123 intensive than historical or existing uses and must be  
 3124 authorized by any applicable agricultural land use designations.  
 3125 All agricultural practices must be conducted in compliance with

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3126 the applicable best management practices adopted by the  
 3127 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

3128 (3) This section expires July 1, 2025.

3129 Section 99. In order to implement sections 271 and 272 of  
 3130 the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding  
 3131 ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office  
 3132 of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget may submit a  
 3133 budget amendment to the Legislative Budget Commission pursuant  
 3134 to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, to realign funding, within and  
 3135 between agencies, in appropriation categories specifically  
 3136 authorized for the implementation of the state's award from the  
 3137 federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (Public Law 117-  
 3138 2). The funding realignment shall address projected surpluses  
 3139 and deficits in existing programs and maximize the state's  
 3140 utilization of federal funds, which must be fully obligated by  
 3141 December 31, 2024. The Executive Office of the Governor shall  
 3142 submit a budget amendment to realign federal funds no later than  
 3143 December 31, 2024. This section expires July 1, 2025.

3144 Section 100. In order to implement specific appropriations  
 3145 containing salary rate in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations  
 3146 Act, and notwithstanding s. 216.181(8)(b), Florida Statutes, the  
 3147 annual salary rate for the Department of Corrections and the  
 3148 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall be  
 3149 controlled at the budget entity level. This section expires July  
 3150 1, 2025.

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3151 Section 101. Effective upon this act becoming a law, and  
 3152 in order to implement sections 255 and 281 of the 2024-2025  
 3153 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 339.08,  
 3154 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

3155 339.08 Use of moneys in State Transportation Trust Fund.—

3156 (4) Notwithstanding any other law, and for the 2023-2024  
 3157 and 2024-2025 fiscal years ~~year~~ only, funds are appropriated to  
 3158 the State Transportation Trust Fund from the General Revenue  
 3159 Fund and the Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund as  
 3160 provided in the General Appropriations Act. The department is  
 3161 not required to deplete the resources transferred from the  
 3162 General Revenue Fund for the fiscal year as required in s.  
 3163 339.135(3)(b), and the funds may not be used in calculating the  
 3164 required quarterly cash balance of the trust fund as required in  
 3165 s. 339.135(6)(b). The department shall track and account for  
 3166 appropriated funds from the General Revenue Fund as a separate  
 3167 funding source for eligible projects on the State Highway System  
 3168 and from the Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund for  
 3169 eligible projects pursuant to the General Appropriations Act.  
 3170 This subsection expires July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

3171 Section 102. Effective upon this act becoming a law, and  
 3172 in order to implement section 284 of the 2024-2025 General  
 3173 Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s. 212.20, Florida  
 3174 Statutes, the Department of Revenue shall retain interest  
 3175 earnings associated with the funds held in the separate account

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3176 for Hillsborough County established within the Discretionary  
 3177 Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund pursuant to section 155 of  
 3178 chapter 2022-156, Laws of Florida. Such funds shall be used to  
 3179 implement the temporary suspension of surtaxes authorized in s.  
 3180 212.054(9)(b), Florida Statutes. This section expires July 1,  
 3181 2025.

3182 Section 103. In order to implement section 255 of the  
 3183 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding  
 3184 section 215 of chapter 2023-239, Laws of Florida, the Department  
 3185 of Transportation is authorized to retain the interest earnings  
 3186 on funds appropriated to implement the Moving Florida Forward  
 3187 Plan. The interest earnings must be used by the department to  
 3188 implement the plan. This section expires July 1, 2025.

3189 Section 104. In order to implement appropriations for  
 3190 state agencies in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act,  
 3191 section 11.52, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

3192 11.52 Implementation of enacted legislation.—Each state  
 3193 agency shall provide the Legislature and the Executive Office of  
 3194 the Governor with information about the status of implementation  
 3195 of recently enacted legislation. The implementation status must  
 3196 be provided 90 days following the effective date of the  
 3197 legislation and updated each August 1 thereafter until all  
 3198 provisions of the legislation have been fully implemented. The  
 3199 implementation status report must include, at a minimum, for  
 3200 each enacted legislation the actions or steps taken to implement



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3201 the legislation and planned actions or steps for implementation,  
 3202 such as any rules proposed for implementation, any procurements  
 3203 required, any contract executed to assist the agency in the  
 3204 implementation, any contracts executed to implement or  
 3205 administer the legislation, programs started, or federal waivers  
 3206 requested; any expenditures made directly related to the  
 3207 implementation; and any impediments or delays in implementation.  
 3208 No later than 14 days prior to the next regular legislative  
 3209 session, the state agency shall provide an update of any changes  
 3210 to the implementation status, notify the legislature of any  
 3211 protests of rulemaking or other communications regarding the  
 3212 implementation of the legislation, and identify any policy  
 3213 issues that need to be resolved by the legislature to ensure  
 3214 timely and effective implementation of the legislation. This  
 3215 section expires July 1, 2025.

3216       Section 105. In order to implement appropriations for  
 3217 state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2024-2025 General  
 3218 Appropriations Act, each state agency and the judicial branch  
 3219 shall review all reports required of the agency or the judicial  
 3220 branch by statute, prepare a list of such reports that the  
 3221 agency would recommend to modify or repeal in a template  
 3222 provided by the Executive Office of the Governor, and shall  
 3223 submit such list to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of  
 3224 the House of Representatives, and the Executive Office of the  
 3225 Governor no later than October 15, 2024. At a minimum, the list

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3226 must include the report name; the statutory authority for the  
 3227 report; the first year that the report was required; a  
 3228 descriptive rationale that supports the recommended modification  
 3229 or repeal, which may include any information or recommendation  
 3230 for alternative availability of the information required by the  
 3231 report such as a current online source; and proposed statutory  
 3232 language to effectuate any recommended modification. This  
 3233 section expires July 1, 2025.

3234 Section 106. In order to implement appropriations for  
 3235 state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2024-2025 General  
 3236 Appropriations Act, subsection (7) is added to section 216.013,  
 3237 Florida Statutes, to read:

3238 216.013 Long-range program plan.—State agencies and the  
 3239 judicial branch shall develop long-range program plans to  
 3240 achieve state goals using an interagency planning process that  
 3241 includes the development of integrated agency program service  
 3242 outcomes. The plans shall be policy based, priority driven,  
 3243 accountable, and developed through careful examination and  
 3244 justification of all agency and judicial branch programs.

3245 (7) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, each  
 3246 state executive agency and the judicial branch is not required  
 3247 to develop or post a long-range program plan by September 30,  
 3248 2024, for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, except in circumstances  
 3249 outlined in any updated written instructions prepared by the  
 3250 Executive Office of the Governor in consultation with the chairs

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3251 of the legislative appropriations committees. This subsection  
 3252 expires July 1, 2025.

3253 Section 107. In order to implement appropriations for  
 3254 state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2024-2025 General  
 3255 Appropriations Act, subsections (7) through (10) of section  
 3256 216.023, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (8)  
 3257 through (11), respectively, and a new subsection (7) is added to  
 3258 that section, to read:

3259 216.023 Legislative budget requests to be furnished to  
 3260 Legislature by agencies.—

3261 (7) As part of the legislative budget request, each state  
 3262 agency and the judicial branch shall include an inventory of all  
 3263 ongoing technology-related projects that have a cumulative  
 3264 estimated or realized cost of more than \$1 million. The  
 3265 inventory must, at a minimum, contain all of the following  
 3266 information:

3267 (a) The name of the technology system.

3268 (b) A brief description of the purpose and function of the  
 3269 system.

3270 (c) A brief description of the goals of the project.

3271 (d) The initiation date of the project.

3272 (e) The key performance indicators for the project.

3273 (f) Any other metrics for the project evaluating the  
 3274 health and status of the project.

3275 (g) The original and current baseline estimated end dates

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3276 of the project.

3277 (h) The original and current estimated costs of the  
 3278 project.

3279 (i) Total funds appropriated or allocated to the project  
 3280 and the current realized cost for the project by fiscal year.

3281  
 3282 For purposes of this subsection, an ongoing technology-related  
 3283 project is one which has been funded or has had or is expected  
 3284 to have expenditures in more than one fiscal year. An ongoing  
 3285 technology-related project does not include the continuance of  
 3286 existing hardware and software maintenance agreements, renewal  
 3287 of existing software licensing agreements, or the replacement of  
 3288 desktop units with new technology that is substantially similar  
 3289 to the technology being replaced. This subsection expires July  
 3290 1, 2025.

3291 Section 108. (1) In order to implement section 285 in the  
 3292 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act, the Florida Turnpike  
 3293 Enterprise shall establish a toll relief program effective April  
 3294 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025, for all Florida toll facilities  
 3295 or Florida toll facility entities that use a Florida-issued  
 3296 transponder or are interoperable with the Department of  
 3297 Transportation's prepaid electronic transponder toll system.

3298 (a) As used in this subsection, the term:

3299 1. "Qualifying account" means a private prepaid SunPass  
 3300 account or another Florida-based electronic prepaid toll program

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3301 account in good standing.

3302 2. "Qualifying transaction" means a paid transponder-based  
 3303 toll transaction incurred by a two-axle vehicle for travel on a  
 3304 Florida toll facility using a Florida issued transponder linked  
 3305 to a qualifying account.

3306 (b) A qualifying account that records 35 or more  
 3307 qualifying transactions per transponder per calendar month is  
 3308 eligible for an account credit equal to 50 percent of the amount  
 3309 paid in that calendar month for the qualifying transactions per  
 3310 transponder. The account credit shall be posted to the  
 3311 qualifying account the month after the credit is earned.

3312 (c) A SunPass or other transponder issued by a Florida  
 3313 toll entity must be linked to a qualifying account.

3314 (2) From the funds appropriated in the General  
 3315 Appropriations Act, the Department of Transportation shall  
 3316 reimburse the department, the Florida Turnpike Enterprise, and  
 3317 other Florida toll facilities or Florida toll facility entities  
 3318 for account credits issued for promotional purposes as  
 3319 authorized in s. 338.161(1), Florida Statutes, and under the  
 3320 toll relief program created by this section. The department  
 3321 shall provide reimbursements to support compliance with  
 3322 covenants made with the bondholders of the department, the  
 3323 Florida Turnpike Enterprise, or other Florida toll facility  
 3324 entities which are in the trust indentures or resolutions  
 3325 adopted in connection with the issuance of such bonds. The

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3326 department may not use appropriated funds for administration,  
 3327 contracted services, or expenses of the department, the Florida  
 3328 Turnpike Enterprise, a Florida toll facility or Florida toll  
 3329 facility entity, or any contractor or vendor thereof.

3330 (3) The department may reimburse each Florida toll  
 3331 facility or Florida toll facility entities, as applicable, from  
 3332 appropriated funds for the amount of actual account credits  
 3333 issued, based upon auditable reports prepared by the Florida  
 3334 toll facility or Florida toll facility entities which aggregate  
 3335 the account credits issued. The reports must include any  
 3336 documentation required by the department to provide the  
 3337 department with sufficient information for reimbursement of  
 3338 account credits issued.

3339 (4) Any unexpended balance of funds as of May 30, 2025,  
 3340 shall immediately revert to the General Revenue Fund.

3341 (5) The department shall submit quarterly reports to the  
 3342 Executive Office of the Governor and the chairs of the  
 3343 legislative appropriations committees documenting reimbursements  
 3344 issued under this program to the department, the Florida  
 3345 Turnpike Enterprise, and other Florida toll facilities and  
 3346 Florida toll facility entities. The department's report must  
 3347 include supporting documentation with auditable data to support  
 3348 the account credits issued.

3349 (6) By the end of the month following each quarter, the  
 3350 department shall reconcile all disbursements and transfers for

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3351 reimbursement, transfer to the General Revenue Fund all interest  
 3352 earnings from the appropriated funds, and provide a report of  
 3353 reconciliation to the Executive Office of the Governor and the  
 3354 chairs of the legislative appropriations committees.

3355 (7) This section expires May 30, 2025.

3356 Section 109. Any section of this act which implements a  
 3357 specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso  
 3358 language in the 2024-2025 General Appropriations Act is void if  
 3359 the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso  
 3360 language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements  
 3361 more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of  
 3362 specifically identified proviso language in the 2024-2025  
 3363 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific  
 3364 appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso  
 3365 language are vetoed.

3366 Section 110. If any other act passed during the 2024  
 3367 Regular Session of the Legislature contains a provision that is  
 3368 substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that  
 3369 removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied  
 3370 to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the  
 3371 provision in the other act takes precedence and continues to  
 3372 operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

3373 Section 111. If any provision of this act or its  
 3374 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
 3375 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of

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3376 | the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision  
3377 | or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are  
3378 | severable.

3379 |       Section 112. Except as otherwise expressly provided in  
3380 | this act and except for this section, which shall take effect  
3381 | upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,  
3382 | 2024, or, if this act fails to become a law until after that  
3383 | date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate  
3384 | retroactively to July 1, 2024.