By the Committee on Appropriations

A bill to be entitled
An act implementing the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent; incorporating by reference certain calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program; providing that funds for instructional materials must be released and expended as required in specified proviso language; amending s. 1008.46, F.S.; revising the date by which the Board of Governors must submit its annual accountability report for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising the minimum amount of funding for the Florida Digital Classrooms Allocation for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; authorizing a school district to use a portion of its allocation towards specified expenses if certain conditions are met; amending s. 1004.345, F.S.; extending the date by which the Florida Polytechnic University must meet certain criteria established by the Board of Governors; reenacting s. 1009.986(4)(b), F.S., relating to the Florida ABLE program; extending by 1 fiscal year provisions regarding the participation agreement for the program; providing for the future expiration and reversion of specified statutory text; providing an exception from cost per student station limitations for the Dixie County Middle/High School special facility project; incorporating by reference certain calculations of the Medicaid Low-Income Pool, Disproportionate Share Hospital, and Hospital Reimbursement programs; authorizing the Agency for
Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Department of Health, to submit a budget amendment to realign funding for a component of the Children’s Medical Services program based upon a specified model, methodology, and framework; specifying requirements for such realignment; authorizing the agency to request nonoperating budget authority for transferring certain federal funds to the Department of Health; specifying criteria to be used by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities in the event that an allocation algorithm and methodology for the iBudget system is no longer in effect; amending s. 393.0662, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to contract for an independent consultant to study and make recommendations on certain aspects of the home and community-based services Medicaid waiver program; requiring the agency to submit the independent consultant’s recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to contract with an independent consultant to conduct a study of transportation disadvantaged services; creating the Task Force on Transportation Disadvantaged Services; specifying the purpose of the task force; providing for the composition and duties of the task force; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for termination of the task force; amending s. 296.37, F.S.; extending for 1
fiscal year the requirement that certain residents of
a veterans’ nursing home contribute to their
maintenance and support; amending s. 409.911, F.S.;
extending for 1 fiscal year the requirement that the
Agency for Health Care Administration distribute
moneys to hospitals that provide a disproportionate
share of Medicaid or charity care services as set
forth in the General Appropriations Act; amending s.
409.9113, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the
requirement that the Agency for Health Care
Administration make disproportionate share payments to
teaching hospitals as set forth in the General
Appropriations Act; amending s. 409.9119, F.S.;
extending for 1 fiscal year the requirement that the
Agency for Health Care Administration make
disproportionate share payments to specialty hospitals
for children as set forth in the General
Appropriations Act; amending s. 893.055, F.S.;
extending for 1 fiscal year the authority of the
Department of Health to use certain funds for the
administration of the prescription drug monitoring
program; prohibiting the use of funds received from a
settlement agreement to administer the program;
amending s. 216.262, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year
the authority of the Department of Corrections to
submit a budget amendment for additional positions and
appropriations under certain circumstances;
authorizing the Department of Legal Affairs to expend
certain appropriated funds on programs that were
funded by the department from specific appropriations in general appropriations acts in previous years; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority for a municipality to expend funds from its special law enforcement trust fund to reimburse its general fund for certain moneys advanced from the general fund; amending s. 215.18, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority and related repayment requirements for temporary trust fund loans to the state court system which are sufficient to meet the system’s appropriation; authorizing the Department of Corrections to submit certain budget amendments to transfer funds into the Inmate Health Services category; providing that such transfers are subject to notice, review, and objection procedures; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to review county juvenile detention payments to determine whether the county has met specified financial responsibilities; requiring amounts owed by the county for such financial responsibilities to be deducted from certain county funds; requiring the Department of Revenue to transfer withheld funds to a specified trust fund; requiring the Department of Revenue to ensure that such reductions in amounts distributed do not reduce distributions below amounts necessary for certain payments due on bonds and comply with bond covenants; requiring the Department of Revenue to notify the Department of Juvenile Justice if bond payment requirements require a reduction in deductions for
amounts owed by a county; prohibiting the Department of Juvenile Justice from providing to certain nonfiscally constrained counties reimbursements or credits against identified juvenile detention center costs under specified circumstances; prohibiting a nonfiscally constrained county from applying, deducting, or receiving such reimbursements or credits; amending s. 27.5304, F.S.; establishing certain limitations on compensation for private court-appointed counsel for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; requiring the Justice Administrative Commission to provide funds to the clerks of the circuit court for specified uses related to juries; providing procedures for clerks of the circuit court to receive such funds; providing an apportionment methodology if funds are estimated to be insufficient to pay all amounts requested; requiring the clerks of the circuit court to pay amounts in excess of appropriated amounts; creating the Florida Criminal Justice Reform Task Force; specifying the purpose of the task force; providing for the composition and duties of the task force; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the Department of Management Services to use tenant broker services to renegotiate or reprocure certain private lease agreements for office or storage space; requiring the Department of Management Services to provide a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 282.709, F.S.; revising
the composition of the Joint Task Force on State
Agency Law Enforcement Communications; specifying the
amount of the transaction fee to be collected for use
of the online procurement system; prohibiting an
agency from transferring funds from a data processing
category to another category that is not a data
processing category; authorizing the Executive Office
of the Governor to transfer funds appropriated for
data processing services between departments for a
specified purpose; authorizing the Executive Office of
the Governor to transfer certain funds between
agencies in order to allocate a reduction relating to
SUNCOM Network services; authorizing the Executive
Office of the Governor to transfer funds between
departments for purposes of aligning amounts paid for
risk management insurance and for human resource
management services; requiring the Department of
Financial Services to replace specified components of
the Florida Accounting Information Resource Subsystem
(FLAIR) and the Cash Management Subsystem (CMS);
specifying certain actions to be taken by the
Department of Financial Services regarding FLAIR and
CMS replacement; providing for the composition of an
executive steering committee to oversee FLAIR and CMS
replacement; prescribing duties and responsibilities
of the executive steering committee; amending s.
259.105, F.S.; revising provisions governing the
distribution of certain proceeds from cash payments or
bonds issued pursuant to the Florida Forever Act;
amending s. 216.181, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority for the Legislative Budget Commission to increase amounts appropriated to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or the Department of Environmental Protection for certain fixed capital outlay projects from specified sources; amending s. 206.9935, F.S.; exempting specified revenues from the calculation of the unobligated balance of the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; amending s. 403.7095, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year a requirement that the Department of Environmental Protection award a certain sum of grant funds for specified solid waste management programs to counties that meet certain criteria; amending s. 215.18, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority of the Governor, if there is a specified deficiency in a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, to transfer funds from other trust funds in the State Treasury as a temporary loan to such trust fund; providing procedures for the repayment of a temporary loan; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to transfer designated proportions of the revenues deposited in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the department to land acquisition trust funds in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of
State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission according to specified parameters and calculations; defining the term “department”; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to retain a proportionate share of revenues; specifying a limit on distributions; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to contract with a specified corporation to manufacture current or newly redesigned license plates; requiring that the price for such contract be the same as in the previous fiscal year; creating a law enforcement workgroup within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; specifying the composition of the workgroup; authorizing reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; prescribing duties of the workgroup; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide administrative support and contract with the University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research; requiring the workgroup chair to submit recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for termination of the workgroup; creating s. 316.0898, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to develop the Florida Smart City Challenge grant program; specifying requirements for applicants to the grant program; establishing goals for the grant program; requiring the Department of Transportation to develop specified
criteria for project grants and a plan for promotion
of the grant program; requiring the Department of
Transportation to submit certain information regarding
the grant program to the Governor and the Legislature
by a specified date; amending s. 341.302, F.S.;
specifying duties and responsibilities for the
Department of Transportation in its administration of
the rail program for the 2017-2018 fiscal year;
amending s. 420.9072, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal
year provisions authorizing each county and eligible
municipality to use its portion of the local housing
distribution under the State Housing Initiatives
Partnership Program for certain purposes; amending s.
420.5087, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year certain
provisions specifying the reservation of funds for the
tenant groups within each notice of fund availability
with respect to the State Apartment Incentive Loan
Program; revising the funding amount for loans to
construct workforce housing as issued in a notice of
funds availability by the Florida Housing Finance
Corporation; creating a workgroup on affordable
housing assigned to the Florida Housing Finance
Corporation; specifying the composition of the
workgroup; requiring the Florida Housing Finance
Corporation to provide administrative and staff
support; authorizing reimbursement for per diem and
travel expenses for workgroup members; requiring the
workgroup to develop recommendations regarding the
state’s affordable housing needs; requiring submission
of a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for termination of the workgroup; amending s. 427.013, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year a requirement that the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged allocate and award appropriated funds for specified purposes; amending s. 321.04, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to assign the patrol officer assigned to the Office of the Governor to the Lieutenant Governor for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; requiring the department to assign a patrol officer to a Cabinet member under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of State to direct the State Library Council, the Florida Historical Commission, and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture to sort applications received from counties for ranking and funding purposes for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; prescribing procedures; amending s. 288.1201, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to retain state funds for specified programs in the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund until certain conditions are met; requiring the department to return to the State Treasury unexpended funds from the Quick Action Closing Fund which are held by certain entities; requiring the department to comply by a certain date; requiring the department to provide notification of compliance to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; amending s. 311.07, F.S.; waiving certain requirements regarding matching
funds and project eligibility for projects funded through the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Program; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; providing legislative intent regarding the Department of Transportation’s work program; requiring the Department of Transportation to submit certain documents to the Legislative Budget Commission with its work program amendment; amending s. 216.292, F.S.; specifying that the required review of certain transfers of appropriations ensure compliance with ch. 216, F.S., and are not contrary to legislative policy and intent; amending s. 112.24, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authorization, subject to specified requirements, for the assignment of an employee of a state agency under an employee interchange agreement; providing that the annual salaries of the members of the Legislature shall be maintained at a specified level; reenacting s. 215.32(2)(b), F.S., relating to the source and use of certain trust funds; providing for the future expiration and reversion of statutory text; providing a legislative declaration that the issuance of new debt is in the best interest of the state; limiting the use of travel funds to activities that are critical to an agency’s mission; providing exceptions; placing a monetary cap on lodging expenses for state employee travel to certain meetings organized or sponsored by a state agency or the judicial branch; authorizing employees to expend their own funds for lodging expenses in excess of the
monetary caps; amending s. 110.12315, F.S.; revising copayment and coinsurance amounts for the State Group Health Insurance Standard Plan and the State Group Health Insurance High Deductible Plan under the state employees’ prescription drug program; providing for the future expiration and reversion of statutory text; prohibiting state agencies from entering into contracts containing certain nondisclosure agreements; providing conditions under which the veto of certain appropriations or proviso language in the General Appropriations Act voids language that implements such appropriation; providing for the continued operation of certain provisions notwithstanding a future repeal or expiration provided by the act; providing severability; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that the implementing and administering provisions of this act apply to the General Appropriations Act for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

Section 2. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 7, 8, 9, 91, and 92 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program for the 2017-2018 fiscal year included in the document titled “Public School Funding: The Florida Education Finance Program,” dated March 30, 2017, and filed with the Secretary of the Senate, are incorporated by reference for the purpose of displaying the calculations used by the Legislature, consistent
with the requirements of state law, in making appropriations for 
the Florida Education Finance Program. This section expires July 
1, 2018.

Section 3. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 7 
and 91 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and 
notwithstanding ss. 1002.20, 1003.02, 1006.28-1006.42, 
1011.62(6)(b)5., and 1011.67, Florida Statutes, relating to the 
expenditure of funds provided for instructional materials, for 
the 2017-2018 fiscal year, funds provided for instructional 
materials shall be released and expended as required in the 
proviso language for Specific Appropriation 91 of the 2017-2018 
General Appropriations Act. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 154 
of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration 
and reversion of the amendment to section 1008.46, Florida 
Statutes, pursuant to section 11 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of 
Florida, subsection (1) of section 1008.46, Florida Statutes, is 
amended to read:

1008.46 State university accountability process.—It is the 
intent of the Legislature that an accountability process be 
implemented that provides for the systematic, ongoing evaluation 
of quality and effectiveness of state universities. It is 
further the intent of the Legislature that this accountability 
process monitor performance at the system level in each of the 
major areas of instruction, research, and public service, while 
recognizing the differing missions of each of the state 
universities. The accountability process shall provide for the 
adoptions of systemwide performance standards and performance 
goals for each standard identified through a collaborative
effort involving state universities, the Board of Governors, the Legislature, and the Governor’s Office, consistent with requirements specified in s. 1001.706. These standards and goals shall be consistent with s. 216.011(1) to maintain congruity with the performance-based budgeting process. This process requires that university accountability reports reflect measures defined through performance-based budgeting. The performance-based budgeting measures must also reflect the elements of teaching, research, and service inherent in the missions of the state universities.

(1) (a) By December 31 of each year, the Board of Governors shall submit an annual accountability report providing information on the implementation of performance standards, actions taken to improve university achievement of performance goals, the achievement of performance goals during the prior year, and initiatives to be undertaken during the next year. The accountability reports shall be designed in consultation with the Governor’s Office, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and the Legislature.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the Board of Governors shall submit the annual accountability report by March 15, 2018.

Section 5. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 7 and 91 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (g) of subsection (12) of section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each district for operation of schools is not determined in the
annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing
the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as
follows:

(12) FLORIDA DIGITAL CLASSROOMS ALLOCATION.—

(g)1. For the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year,
notwithstanding paragraph (c), each school district shall be
provided a minimum of $400,000 $500,000, with the remaining
balance of the allocation to be distributed based on each
district’s proportion of the total K-12 full-time equivalent
enrollment.

2. Notwithstanding paragraph (a) and for the 2017-2018
fiscal year, if a district school superintendent certifies to
the Commissioner of Education that the requirements of the
school district’s 2017-2018 digital classrooms plan have been
met, the school district may expend from the remaining balance
of the current allocation, including any carry-forward funds, up
to $250,000 or 25 percent of the allocation, whichever amount is
greater, for the purposes identified in s. 1011.71(2) Each
district’s digital classrooms allocation plan must give
preference to funding the number of devices that comply with the
requirements of s. 1001.20(4)(a)1.b. and that are needed to
allow each school to administer the Florida Standards
Assessments to an entire grade at the same time. If the
district’s digital classrooms allocation plan does not include
the purchase of devices, the district must certify in the plan
that the district currently has sufficient devices to allow each
school to administer the Florida Standards Assessments in the
manner described in this paragraph.

3. This paragraph expires July 1, 2018 2017.
Section 6. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 141 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration and reversion of the amendment to section 1004.345, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 36 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, subsection (1) of section 1004.345, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.345 The Florida Polytechnic University.—

(1) By December 31, 2017, the Florida Polytechnic University shall meet the following criteria as established by the Board of Governors:

(a) Achieve accreditation from the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools;

(b) Initiate the development of the new programs in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics;

(c) Seek discipline-specific accreditation for programs;

(d) Attain a minimum FTE of 1,244, with a minimum 50 percent of that FTE in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and 20 percent in programs related to those fields;

(e) Complete facilities and infrastructure, including the Science and Technology Building, Phase I of the Wellness Center, and a residence hall or halls containing no fewer than 190 beds; and

(f) Have the ability to provide, either directly or where feasible through a shared services model, administration of financial aid, admissions, student support, information technology, and finance and accounting with an internal audit function.

Section 7. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 69
of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding
the expiration date in section 36 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of
Florida, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 1009.986,
Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1009.986 Florida ABLE program.—

(4) FLORIDA ABLE PROGRAM.—

(b) The participation agreement must include provisions
specifying:

1. The participation agreement is only a debt or obligation
of the Florida ABLE program and the Florida ABLE Program Trust
Fund and, as provided under paragraph (f), is not a debt or
obligation of the Florida Prepaid College Board or the state.

2. Participation in the Florida ABLE program does not

 guarantee that sufficient funds will be available to cover all
qualified disability expenses for any designated beneficiary and
does not guarantee the receipt or continuation of any product or
service for the designated beneficiary.

3. Whether the Florida ABLE program requires a designated
beneficiary to be a resident of this state or a resident of a
contracting state at the time the ABLE account is established.
In determining whether to require residency, the Florida Prepaid
College Board shall consider, among other factors:

 a. Market research; and

 b. Estimated operating revenues and costs.

4. The establishment of an ABLE account in violation of

federal law is prohibited.

5. Contributions in excess of the limitations set forth in
s. 529A of the Internal Revenue Code are prohibited.

6. The state is a creditor of ABLE accounts as, and to the
extent, set forth in s. 529A of the Internal Revenue Code.

7. Material misrepresentations by a party to the participation agreement, other than Florida ABLE, Inc., in the application for the participation agreement or in any communication with Florida ABLE, Inc., regarding the Florida ABLE program may result in the involuntary liquidation of the ABLE account. If an account is involuntarily liquidated, the designated beneficiary is entitled to a refund, subject to any fees or penalties provided by the participation agreement and the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 8. The text of s. 1009.986(4)(b), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, in this act, expires July 1, 2018, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2016, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 9. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 22 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, for the 2017-2018 fiscal year only and notwithstanding s. 1013.64(2)(a)6., Florida Statutes, the Dixie County Middle/High School special facility project may exceed the cost per student station.

Section 10. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 198, 199, 200, 203, and 207 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the calculations for the Medicaid Low-Income Pool, Disproportionate Share Hospital, and Hospital Reimbursement programs for the 2017-2018 fiscal year contained in the document titled “Medicaid Hospital Funding Programs,”
dated March 30, 2017, and filed with the Secretary of the
Senate, are incorporated by reference for the purpose of
displaying the calculations used by the Legislature, consistent
with the requirements of state law, in making appropriations for
the Medicaid Low-Income Pool, Disproportionate Share Hospital,
and Hospital Reimbursement programs. This section expires July
1, 2018.

Section 11. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
190 through 212A and 522 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations
Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida
Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration, in
consultation with the Department of Health, may submit a budget
amendment, subject to the notice, review, and objection
procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
within and between agencies based on implementation of the
Managed Medical Assistance component of the Statewide Medicaid
Managed Care program for the Children’s Medical Services program
of the Department of Health. The funding realignment shall
reflect the actual enrollment changes due to the transfer of
beneficiaries from fee-for-service to the capitated Children’s
Medical Services Network. The Agency for Health Care
Administration may submit a request for nonoperating budget
authority to transfer the federal funds to the Department of
Health pursuant to s. 216.181(12), Florida Statutes. This
section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 12. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
241 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act:
(1) If during the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the Agency for
Persons with Disabilities ceases to have an allocation algorithm
and methodology adopted by valid rule pursuant to s. 393.0662, Florida Statutes, the agency shall use the following until it adopts a new allocation algorithm and methodology:

(a) Each client’s iBudget in effect as of the date the agency ceases to have an allocation algorithm and methodology adopted by valid rule pursuant to s. 393.0662, Florida Statutes, shall remain at that funding level.

(b) The Agency for Persons with Disabilities shall determine the iBudget for a client newly enrolled in the home and community-based services waiver program using the same allocation algorithm and methodology used for the iBudgets determined between January 1, 2017, and June 30, 2017.

(2) After a new allocation algorithm and methodology is adopted by final rule, a client’s new iBudget shall be determined based on the new allocation algorithm and methodology and shall take effect as of the client’s next support plan update.

(3) Funding allocated under subsections (1) and (2) may be increased pursuant to s. 393.0662(1)(b), Florida Statutes, or as necessary to comply with federal regulations.

(4) This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 13. Effective upon this act becoming a law and in order to implement Specific Appropriation 249 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (8) is added to section 393.0662, Florida Statutes, to read:

393.0662 Individual budgets for delivery of home and community-based services; iBudget system established.—The Legislature finds that improved financial management of the existing home and community-based Medicaid waiver program is
necessary to avoid deficits that impede the provision of services to individuals who are on the waiting list for enrollment in the program. The Legislature further finds that clients and their families should have greater flexibility to choose the services that best allow them to live in their community within the limits of an established budget. Therefore, the Legislature intends that the agency, in consultation with the Agency for Health Care Administration, shall manage the service delivery system using individual budgets as the basis for allocating the funds appropriated for the home and community-based services Medicaid waiver program among eligible enrolled clients. The service delivery system that uses individual budgets shall be called the iBudget system.

(8) The agency shall contract for an independent consultant who shall:

(a) Conduct reviews of significant additional need requests and support coordinator workload and referral processes;

(b) Evaluate trends in waiver service requests and denials, regional trends, provider specific trends, and any other indicators that are identified with increased requests; and

(c) Review significant additional needs requests approved by the agency which meet the following criteria:

1. Significant additional need requests that have been submitted by a support coordinator for more than 20 percent of his or her caseload in any of the past three fiscal years.

2. Regions with the highest growth in submitted significant additional need requests in any of the past three fiscal years.

3. Increases in the intensity of behavioral services and residential habilitation behavioral services.
(d) The independent consultant shall make recommendations to the agency which focus on improving the iBudget process or the significant additional need submission and approval process, including, but not limited to, process improvement, utilization review, best practices, and training for support coordinators or agency staff. The agency shall submit the independent consultant’s recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 15, 2017.

(e) This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 14. Effective upon this act becoming a law and in order to implement Specific Appropriation 249 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act:

(1) The Agency for Persons with Disabilities shall contract with an independent consultant to examine the state’s transportation disadvantaged services, how such services are provided in urban and nonurbanized areas and how to assist in the development and use of different provider models.

(2) There is created the Task Force on Transportation Disadvantaged Services, a task force as defined in s. 20.03, Florida Statutes. The task force is assigned to the Agency for Persons with Disabilities; however, the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged shall also assist the task force in carrying out its duties and responsibilities. The purpose of the task force is to examine the design and use of transportation disadvantaged services, considering at least the following:

   (a) The use of regional fare payment systems;

   (b) The improvement of transportation disadvantaged services in both urban and nonurbanized areas;
(c) The use of intercity and intercounty bus transportation; and
(d) The use of private providers or transportation network companies.

(3) The task force is composed of the following members:
(a) The director of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities or his or her designee.
(b) The executive director of the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged or his or her designee.
(c) The community transportation coordinators for Alachua, Jackson, Miami-Dade, and Pinellas Counties.
(d) Two individuals who currently use transportation disadvantaged services, one appointed by the agency director and the other appointed by the executive director of the commission.
(e) A representative of the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council.
(f) A representative of Family Care Council Florida.

(4) At a minimum, the task force shall consider:
(a) Routing improvement to minimize passenger transfers or wait times;
(b) The ability to provide transportation disadvantaged services between specific origins and destinations selected by the individual user at a time that is agreed upon by the user and the provider of the service; and
(c) The provision of transportation disadvantaged services to individual users to allow them to access health care, places of employment, education, and other life-sustaining activities in a cost-effective and efficient manner, while reducing fragmentation and duplication of services.
(5) The task force shall submit a report that, at a minimum, includes its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 15, 2017, at which time the task force shall terminate.

Section 15. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 551 through 562 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 296.37, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

296.37 Residents; contribution to support.—
(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1), each resident of the home who receives a pension, compensation, or gratuity from the United States Government, or income from any other source, of more than $105 per month shall contribute to his or her maintenance and support while a resident of the home in accordance with a payment schedule determined by the administrator and approved by the director. The total amount of such contributions shall be to the fullest extent possible, but, in no case, shall exceed the actual cost of operating and maintaining the home. This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 16. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 199 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (10) of section 409.911, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.911 Disproportionate share program.—Subject to specific allocations established within the General Appropriations Act and any limitations established pursuant to chapter 216, the agency shall distribute, pursuant to this section, moneys to hospitals providing a disproportionate share of Medicaid or charity care services by making quarterly Medicaid payments as
required. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 409.915, counties are exempt from contributing toward the cost of this special reimbursement for hospitals serving a disproportionate share of low-income patients. 

(10) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 state fiscal year, the agency shall distribute moneys to hospitals providing a disproportionate share of Medicaid or charity care services as provided in the 2017-2018 2016-2017 General Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2018 2017.

Section 17. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 199 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 409.9113, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.9113 Disproportionate share program for teaching hospitals.—In addition to the payments made under s. 409.911, the agency shall make disproportionate share payments to teaching hospitals, as defined in s. 408.07, for their increased costs associated with medical education programs and for tertiary health care services provided to the indigent. This system of payments must conform to federal requirements and distribute funds in each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made by making quarterly Medicaid payments. Notwithstanding s. 409.915, counties are exempt from contributing toward the cost of this special reimbursement for hospitals serving a disproportionate share of low-income patients. The agency shall distribute the moneys provided in the General Appropriations Act to statutorily defined teaching hospitals and family practice teaching hospitals, as defined in s. 395.805, pursuant to this section. The funds provided for statutorily defined teaching hospitals.
hospitals shall be distributed as provided in the General Appropriations Act. The funds provided for family practice teaching hospitals shall be distributed equally among family practice teaching hospitals.

(3) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 state fiscal year, the agency shall make disproportionate share payments to teaching hospitals, as defined in s. 408.07, as provided in the 2017-2018 2016-2017 General Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2018 2017.

Section 18. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 199 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 409.9119, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.9119 Disproportionate share program for specialty hospitals for children.—In addition to the payments made under s. 409.911, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall develop and implement a system under which disproportionate share payments are made to those hospitals that are licensed by the state as specialty hospitals for children and were licensed on January 1, 2000, as specialty hospitals for children. This system of payments must conform to federal requirements and must distribute funds in each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made by making quarterly Medicaid payments. Notwithstanding s. 409.915, counties are exempt from contributing toward the cost of this special reimbursement for hospitals that serve a disproportionate share of low-income patients. The agency may make disproportionate share payments to specialty hospitals for children as provided for in the General Appropriations Act.

(4) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the
contrary, for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 state fiscal year, for hospitals achieving full compliance under subsection (3), the agency shall make disproportionate share payments to specialty hospitals for children as provided in the 2017-2018 2016-2017 General Appropriations Act. This subsection expires July 1, 2018 2017.

Section 19. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 494 through 517 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (17) of section 893.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

893.055 Prescription drug monitoring program.—
(17) Notwithstanding subsection (10), and for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year only, the department may use state funds appropriated in the 2017-2018 2016-2017 General Appropriations Act to administer the prescription drug monitoring program. Neither the Attorney General nor the department may use funds received as part of a settlement agreement to administer the prescription drug monitoring program. This subsection expires July 1, 2018 2017.

Section 20. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 582 through 708 and 722 through 756 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 216.262, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.262 Authorized positions.—
(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter relating to increasing the number of authorized positions, and for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year only, if the actual inmate population of the Department of Corrections exceeds the inmate population projections of the February 23, 2017 December 17,
2015, Criminal Justice Estimating Conference by 1 percent for 2
consecutive months or 2 percent for any month, the Executive
Office of the Governor, with the approval of the Legislative
Budget Commission, shall immediately notify the Criminal Justice
Estimating Conference, which shall convene as soon as possible
to revise the estimates. The Department of Corrections may then
submit a budget amendment requesting the establishment of
positions in excess of the number authorized by the Legislature
and additional appropriations from unallocated general revenue
sufficient to provide for essential staff, fixed capital
improvements, and other resources to provide classification,
security, food services, health services, and other variable
expenses within the institutions to accommodate the estimated
increase in the inmate population. All actions taken pursuant to
this subsection are subject to review and approval by the
Legislative Budget Commission. This subsection expires July 1,
2018.

Section 21. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1292 and 1293 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the
Department of Legal Affairs may expend appropriated funds in
those specific appropriations on the same programs that were
funded by the department pursuant to specific appropriations
made in general appropriations acts in previous years. This
section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 22. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1228 and 1234 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act,
paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section 932.7055, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

932.7055 Disposition of liens and forfeited property.—
The proceeds from the sale of forfeited property shall be disbursed in the following priority:

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, and for the 2017-2018 fiscal year only, the funds in a special law enforcement trust fund established by the governing body of a municipality may be expended to reimburse the general fund of the municipality for moneys advanced from the general fund of the municipality for the special law enforcement trust fund before October 1, 2017.

Section 23. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 3145 through 3212 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (2) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation. —
(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may receive one or more trust fund loans to ensure that the state court system has funds sufficient to meet its appropriations in the 2017-2018 fiscal year. This paragraph expires July 1, 2018.
subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 24. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 727, and notwithstanding s. 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Corrections is authorized to submit budget amendments to transfer funds from categories within the department other than fixed capital outlay categories into the Inmate Health Services category in order to continue the current level of care in the provision of health services. Such transfers are subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 25. (1) In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1104 through 1116A of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the Department of Juvenile Justice is required to review county juvenile detention payments to ensure that counties fulfill their financial responsibilities required in s. 985.686, Florida Statutes. If the Department of Juvenile Justice determines that a county has not met its obligations, the department shall direct the Department of Revenue to deduct the amount owed to the Department of Juvenile Justice from the funds provided to the county under s. 218.23, Florida Statutes. The Department of Revenue shall transfer the funds withheld to the Shared County/State Juvenile Detention Trust Fund.

(2) As an assurance to holders of bonds issued by counties before July 1, 2016, for which distributions made pursuant to s. 218.23, Florida Statutes, are pledged, or bonds issued to refund such bonds which mature no later than the bonds they refunded and which result in a reduction of debt service payable in each fiscal year, the amount available for distribution to a county
shall remain as provided by law and continue to be subject to any lien or claim on behalf of the bondholders. The Department of Revenue must ensure, based on information provided by an affected county, that any reduction in amounts distributed pursuant to subsection (1) does not reduce the amount of distribution to a county below the amount necessary for the timely payment of principal and interest when due on the bonds and the amount necessary to comply with any covenant under the bond resolution or other documents relating to the issuance of the bonds. If a reduction to a county’s monthly distribution must be decreased in order to comply with this subsection, the Department of Revenue must notify the Department of Juvenile Justice of the amount of the decrease, and the Department of Juvenile Justice must send a bill for payment of such amount to the affected county.

(3) This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 26. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1104 through 1116A of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the Department of Juvenile Justice may not provide, make, pay, or deduct, and a nonfiscally constrained county may not apply, deduct, or receive any reimbursement or any credit for any previous overpayment of juvenile detention care costs related to or for any previous state fiscal year, against the juvenile detention care costs due from the nonfiscally constrained county in the 2017-2018 fiscal year pursuant to s. 985.686, Florida Statutes, or any other law. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 27. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 782 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (13) is added to section 27.5304, Florida Statutes, to read:
27.5304 Private court-appointed counsel; compensation; notice.—

(13) Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in subsection (5) and for the 2017-2018 fiscal year only, the compensation for representation in a criminal proceeding may not exceed the following:

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

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

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

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

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

(f) This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 28. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 774 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 28.35 and 40.24, Florida Statutes, the Justice Administrative Commission shall provide funds to the clerks of the circuit court to pay compensation to jurors, for meals or lodging provided to jurors, and for jury-related personnel costs as provided in this section. Each clerk of the circuit court shall forward to the Justice Administrative Commission a quarterly estimate of funds necessary to pay compensation to jurors and for meals or lodging provided to jurors. The Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation shall
forward to the Justice Administrative Commission a quarterly
estimate of jury-related personnel costs necessary to pay each
clerk of the circuit court personnel costs related to jury
management. Upon receipt of such estimates, the Justice
Administrative Commission shall endorse the amount deemed
necessary for payment to the clerks of the circuit court during
the quarter and shall submit a request for payment to the Chief
Financial Officer. If the Justice Administrative Commission
believes that the amount appropriated by the Legislature is
insufficient to meet such costs during the remaining part of the
state fiscal year, the commission may apportion the funds
appropriated in the General Appropriations Act for those
purposes among the several counties, basing the apportionment
upon the amount expended for such purposes in each county during
the prior fiscal year. In that case, the Chief Financial Officer
shall only issue the appropriate apportioned amount by warrant
to each county. The clerks of the circuit court are responsible
for any costs of compensation to jurors, for meals or lodging
provided to jurors, and for jury-related personnel costs that
exceed the funding provided in the General Appropriations Act
for these purposes. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 29. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1986B in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act:

(1) There is created the Florida Criminal Justice Reform
Task Force within the Legislature. The task force is created for
the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of the state’s
criminal justice system, court system, and corrections system.

(2) The task force is composed of the following members:

(a) Two members of the Senate, appointed by the President
of the Senate.

(b) Two members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

circuit judges, one of whom must have presided over a mental health court or drug court, appointed by the chair of the Conference of Circuit Judges of Florida.

d) Two county court judges, appointed by the chair of the Conference of County Court Judges of Florida.

e) A justice of the Supreme Court or judge of a district court of appeal, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

(f) A representative of the Florida State University Project on Accountable Justice, appointed by the chair of the project's executive board.

g) A representative of a victim’s advocacy group, appointed by the Governor from a list of three nominees recommended by the chairs of the committees in the Senate and House of Representatives with jurisdiction over criminal justice matters.

(h) Two county commissioners, appointed by the Florida Association of Counties.

(i) A formerly incarcerated individual who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to rehabilitation and community improvement, appointed by the Governor from a list of three nominees jointly recommended by the chairs of the committees in the Senate and the House of Representatives with jurisdiction over criminal justice matters.

(j) Two representatives of the faith community, either clergy or employees of faith-based policy organizations,
appointed by the Governor from a list of three nominees jointly
recommended by the chairs of the committees in the Senate and
the House of Representatives with jurisdiction over criminal
justice matters.

(k) The chairs of the committees of the Senate and the
House of Representatives with jurisdiction over criminal justice
matters or their designees.

(l) Two designees of the Executive Office of the Governor
with demonstrated knowledge in the criminal justice field.

(m) The Attorney General or his or her designee.

(n) The Secretary of Corrections or his or her designee.

(o) The Secretary of Juvenile Justice or his or her
designee.

(p) The president of the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys
Association or his or her designee.

(q) The president of the Florida Public Defenders
Association or his or her designee.

(r) The president of the Florida Association of Criminal
Defense Lawyers or his or her designee.

(s) The president of the Florida Sheriffs Association or
his or her designee.

(t) The president of the Florida Police Chiefs Association
or his or her designee.

(3) The task force shall use a data-driven approach to
study, evaluate, analyze, and undertake a comprehensive review
of the state’s adult criminal justice system and develop
sentencing and corrections policy recommendations for proposed
legislation to carry out the goals of reducing correctional
populations and associated correctional spending by focusing
prison capacity on serious offenses and violent criminals, holding offenders accountable more efficiently by implementing or expanding research-based supervision and sentencing practices, and reinvesting savings into strategies shown to decrease recidivism, including reentry outcomes.

(4) The task force shall submit a report of its findings, conclusions, and recommendations for proposed legislation to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by the date of convening of the 2018 Regular Session of the Legislature.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 30. In order to implement appropriations used to pay existing lease contracts for private lease space in excess of 2,000 square feet in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the Department of Management Services, with the cooperation of the agencies having the existing lease contracts for office or storage space, shall use tenant broker services to renegotiate or reprocure all private lease agreements for office or storage space expiring between July 1, 2017, and June 30, 2020, in order to reduce costs in future years. The department shall incorporate this initiative into its 2017 master leasing report required under s. 255.249(7), Florida Statutes, and may use tenant broker services to explore the possibilities of collocating office or storage space, to review the space needs of each agency, and to review the length and terms of potential renewals or renegotiations. The department shall provide a report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 1, 2017, which lists each lease contract for private
office or storage space, the status of renegotiations, and the savings achieved. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 31. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2864 through 2876A of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration and reversion of the amendment to section 282.709, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 72 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 282.709, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(2) The Joint Task Force on State Agency Law Enforcement Communications is created adjunct to the department to advise the department of member-agency needs relating to the planning, designing, and establishment of the statewide communication system.

(a) The Joint Task Force on State Agency Law Enforcement Communications shall consist of the following members:

1. A representative of the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation who shall be appointed by the secretary of the department.

2. A representative of the Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles who shall be appointed by the executive director of the department.

3. A representative of the Department of Law Enforcement who shall be appointed by the executive director of the department.

4. A representative of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
Commission who shall be appointed by the executive director of the commission.

5. A representative of the Department of Corrections who shall be appointed by the secretary of the department.

6. A representative of the Division of Investigative and Forensic Services of the Department of Financial Services who shall be appointed by the Chief Financial Officer.

7. A representative of the Department of Transportation who shall be appointed by the secretary of the department.

8. A representative of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services who shall be appointed by the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Section 32. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2768 through 2780A of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code, the transaction fee collected for use of the online procurement system, authorized in ss. 287.042(1)(h)1. and 287.057(22)(c), Florida Statutes, is seven-tenths of 1 percent for the 2017-2018 fiscal year only. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 33. In order to implement appropriations authorized in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act for data center services, and notwithstanding s. 216.292(2)(a), Florida Statutes, an agency may not transfer funds from a data processing category to a category other than another data processing category. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 34. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category “Data Processing Assessment-Agency for State Technology” in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and
objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in that category between departments in order to align the budget authority granted based on the estimated billing cycle and methodology used by the Agency for State Technology for data processing services provided. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 35. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2856 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in the appropriation category “Expenses” of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act between agencies in order to allocate a reduction relating to SUNCOM Network services. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 36. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category “Special Categories-Risk Management Insurance” in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated in that category between departments in order to align the budget authority granted with the premiums paid by each department for risk management insurance. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 37. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category “Special Categories-Transfer to Department of Management Services-Human Resources Services Purchased per Statewide Contract” in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated...
in that category between departments in order to align the
budget authority granted with the assessments that must be paid
by each agency to the Department of Management Services for
human resource management services. This section expires July 1,
2018.

Section 38. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2334 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act:

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

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

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

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

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

(b) Ensure that all business requirements and technical specifications have been provided to all state agencies for their review and input and approved by the executive steering committee established in paragraph (c).

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

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

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

3. A representative of the Division of Information Systems of the Department of Financial Services, appointed by the Chief Financial Officer.

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

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

6. One employee from the Department of Revenue, appointed by the executive director, who has experience relating to the department’s SUNTAX system.

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

8. Three state agency administrative services directors, appointed by the Governor. One director must represent a regulatory and licensing state agency and one director must represent a health care-related state agency.

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

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

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

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

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

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(d) Approve all major project deliverables.

(e) Approve all solicitation-related documents associated with the replacement of FLAIR and CMS.

This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 39. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1552 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (m) of subsection (3) of section 259.105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

259.105 The Florida Forever Act.—

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

(m) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a)-(j), and for the 2017-2018 fiscal year only:

1. The amount of $10,156,206 to only the Division of State Lands within the Department of Environmental Protection for the Board of Trustees Florida Forever Priority List land acquisition projects.

2. Five billion dollars shall be spent on land acquisition within the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern as authorized pursuant to s. 259.045 to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the acquisition of agricultural lands through perpetual conservation easements and other perpetual less-than-fee techniques, which will achieve the objectives of Florida Forever and s. 570.71.

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3.a. Notwithstanding any allocation required pursuant to paragraph (c), $10 million shall be allocated to the Florida Communities Trust for projects acquiring conservation or recreation lands to enhance recreational opportunities for individuals with unique abilities.

b. The Department of Environmental Protection may waive the local government matching fund requirement of paragraph (c) for projects acquiring conservation or recreation lands to enhance recreational opportunities for individuals with unique abilities.

c. Notwithstanding sub-subparagraphs a. and b., any funds required to be used to acquire conservation or recreation lands to enhance recreational opportunities for individuals with unique abilities which have not been awarded for those purposes by May 1, 2017, may be awarded to redevelop or renew outdoor recreational facilities on public lands, including recreational trails, parks, and urban open spaces, together with improvements required to enhance recreational enjoyment and public access to public lands, if such redevelopment and renewal is primarily geared toward enhancing recreational opportunities for individuals with unique abilities. The department may waive the local matching requirement of paragraph (c) for such redevelopment and renewal projects.

This paragraph expires July 1, 2018 2017.

Section 40. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1603B, 1603C, and 1604 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d) of subsection (11) of section 216.181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
216.181 Approved budgets for operations and fixed capital outlay.—

(11) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) and paragraph (2)(b), and for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year only, the Legislative Budget Commission may increase the amounts appropriated to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or the Department of Environmental Protection for fixed capital outlay projects, including additional fixed capital outlay projects, using funds provided to the state from the Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; funds provided to the state from the Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund related to the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast Act of 2012 (RESTORE Act); or funds provided by the British Petroleum Corporation (BP) for natural resource damage assessment restoration projects. Concurrent with submission of an amendment to the Legislative Budget Commission pursuant to this paragraph, any project that carries a continuing commitment for future appropriations by the Legislature must be specifically identified, together with the projected amount of the future commitment associated with the project and the fiscal years in which the commitment is expected to commence. This paragraph expires July 1, 2018 2017.

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

Section 41. In order to implement specific appropriations from the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund within the
Department of Environmental Protection contained in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration and reversion of the amendment to section 206.9935, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 87 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 206.9935, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

206.9935 Taxes imposed.—

(2) TAX FOR WATER QUALITY.—

(b) The excise tax shall be the applicable rate as specified in subparagraph 1. per barrel or per unit of pollutant, or equivalent measure as established by the department, produced in or imported into the state. If the unobligated balance of the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund is or falls below $3 million, the tax shall be increased to the applicable rates specified in subparagraph 2. and shall remain at said rates until the unobligated balance in the fund exceeds $5 million, at which time the tax shall be imposed at the rates specified in subparagraph 1. If the unobligated balance of the fund exceeds $12 million, the levy of the tax shall be discontinued until the unobligated balance of the fund falls below $5 million, at which time the tax shall be imposed at the rates specified in subparagraph 1. Changes in the tax rates pursuant to this paragraph shall take effect on the first day of the month after 30 days’ notification to the Department of Revenue when the unobligated balance of the fund falls below or exceeds a limit set pursuant to this paragraph. The unobligated balance of the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund as it relates to determination of the applicable excise tax rate shall exclude the unobligated balances of funds of the Dry Cleaning, Operator
Certification, and nonagricultural nonpoint source programs, and
other required reservations of fund balance. The unobligated
balance in the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund is based upon
the current unreserved fund balance, projected revenues,
authorized legislative appropriations, and funding for the
department’s base budget for the subsequent fiscal year. For the
2017-2018 fiscal year only, revenues for penalties collected
pursuant to s. 403.121(11) and all moneys recovered under s.
373.430(7) are exempt from the calculation of the unobligated
balance of the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund. Determination
of the unobligated balance of the Water Quality Assurance Trust
Fund shall be performed annually subsequent to the annual
legislative appropriations becoming law.

1. As provided in this paragraph, the tax shall be 2.36
cents per gallon of solvents, 1 cent per gallon of motor oil or
other lubricants, and 2 cents per barrel of petroleum products,
pesticides, ammonia, and chlorine.

2. As provided in this paragraph, the tax shall be 5.9
cents per gallon of solvents, 2.5 cents per gallon of motor oil
or other lubricants, 2 cents per barrel of ammonia, and 5 cents
per barrel of petroleum products, pesticides, and chlorine.

Section 42. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1676 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3)
of section 403.7095, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
403.7095 Solid waste management grant program.—

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,
and for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year only, the Department
of Environmental Protection shall award the sum of $3 million in
grants in the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year equally to
counties having populations of fewer than 110,000 for waste tire and litter prevention, recycling education, and general solid waste programs. This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 43. In order to implement specific appropriations from the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which are contained in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and only with respect to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, whenever there is a deficiency in a land acquisition trust fund which would render that trust fund temporarily insufficient to meet its just requirements, including the timely payment of appropriations from that trust fund, and other trust funds in the State Treasury have moneys that are for the time being or otherwise in excess of the amounts necessary to meet the just requirements, including appropriated obligations, of those other trust funds, the Governor may order a temporary transfer of moneys from one or more of the other trust funds to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Any action proposed pursuant to this subsection is subject to the notice,
review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, and the Governor shall provide notice of such action at least 7 days before the effective date of the transfer of trust funds, except that during July 2017, notice of such action shall be provided at least 3 days before the effective date of a transfer unless such 3-day notice is waived by the chair and vice-chair of the Legislative Budget Commission. Any transfer of trust funds to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission must be repaid to the trust funds from which the moneys were loaned by the end of the 2017-2018 fiscal year. The Legislature has determined that the repayment of the other trust fund moneys temporarily loaned to a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission pursuant to this subsection is an allowable use of the moneys in a land acquisition trust fund because the moneys from other trust funds temporarily loaned to a land acquisition trust fund shall be expended solely and exclusively in accordance with s. 28, Art. X of the State Constitution. This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 44. (1) In order to implement specific appropriations from the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which are contained in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the Department of
Environmental Protection shall transfer revenues from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the department to the land acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, as provided in this section. As used in this section, the term “department” means the Department of Environmental Protection.

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

(3) This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 45. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall contract with the corporation organized pursuant to part II of chapter 946, Florida Statutes, to manufacture the current or newly redesigned license plates, with such contract being in the same manner and for the same price as that paid by the department during the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Section 46. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2612 and 2616 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act:

(1) There is created a law enforcement workgroup assigned to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

(2) The workgroup shall convene no later than September 1, 2017, and shall be composed of the following members:

(a) A representative of the University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research, who shall serve as the chair of the workgroup.

(b) Three representatives of the Florida Sheriffs Association, appointed by the association’s executive director.

(c) Three representatives of the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), appointed by the Director Colonel of the FHP.

(d) Three representatives of the Florida Police Chiefs Association, appointed by the president of the association’s executive board.

(e) The executive director of the Florida Association of Counties, or his or her designee.

(f) The director of the Division of Emergency Management, or his or her designee.

(g) The president of the Florida Police Benevolent Association, or his or her designee.
(h) A representative of the Office of the Attorney General, appointed by the Attorney General.

(3) Members of the workgroup shall serve without compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, Florida Statutes. Per diem and travel expenses incurred by a member of the workgroup shall be paid from funds budgeted to the state agency or entity that the member represents.

(4) The workgroup shall review the FHP’s response to calls for service, including current resource allocation. The workgroup shall also compare FHP resources to those of local law enforcement entities and other state highway patrol agencies to determine whether additional resources are necessary to improve the response time to calls for service and to perform other duties outlined in chapter 321, Florida Statutes. In addition, the workgroup shall identify potential partnerships with local law enforcement entities and consider optional funding sources for those agencies to address needs associated with traffic crash investigations.

(5) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall provide administrative support to the workgroup and shall contract with the University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research to perform the duties of the independent third-party chair.

(6) The chair of the workgroup shall provide the workgroup’s consensus recommendations in a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2018, at which time the workgroup shall terminate.
Section 47. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 316.0898 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, section 316.0898, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

316.0898 Florida Smart City Challenge grant program.—

(1) The Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, shall develop the Florida Smart City Challenge grant program and shall establish grant award requirements for municipalities or regions for the purpose of receiving grant awards. Grant applicants must demonstrate and document the adoption of emerging technologies and their impact on the transportation system and must address at least the following focus areas:

(a) Autonomous vehicles.
(b) Connected vehicles.
(c) Sensor-based infrastructure.
(d) Collecting and using data.
(e) Addressing urban delivery.
(f) Developing strategic models and partnerships.
(g) Advancing the adoption and use of smart grid technology, roadway electrification, and electric vehicles.
(h) Connecting citizens.

(2) The goals of the grant program include, but are not limited to:

(a) Identifying transportation challenges and identifying how emerging technologies can address those challenges.
(b) Determining the emerging technologies and strategies that have the potential to provide the most significant impacts.
(c) Encouraging municipalities to take significant steps to integrate emerging technologies into their day-to-day
Identifying the barriers to implementing the grant program and communicating those barriers to the Legislature and appropriate agencies and organizations.

(e) Leveraging the initial grant to attract additional public and private investments.

(f) Increasing the state’s competitiveness in the pursuit of grants from the United States Department of Transportation, the United States Department of Energy, and other federal agencies.

(g) Committing to the continued operation of programs implemented in connection with the grant.

(h) Serving as a model for municipalities nationwide.

(i) Documenting the costs and impacts of the grant program and lessons learned during implementation.

(3) The Department of Transportation shall develop eligibility, application, and selection criteria for the program grants and a plan for the promotion of the grant program to municipalities or regions of this state as an opportunity to compete for grant funding.

(4) On or before January 1, 2018, the Department of Transportation shall submit the grant program guidelines and plans for promotion of the grant program to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2018.
Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 100 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, subsection (10) of section 341.302, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

341.302 Rail program; duties and responsibilities of the department.—The department, in conjunction with other governmental entities, including the rail enterprise and the private sector, shall develop and implement a rail program of statewide application designed to ensure the proper maintenance, safety, revitalization, and expansion of the rail system to assure its continued and increased availability to respond to statewide mobility needs. Within the resources provided pursuant to chapter 216, and as authorized under federal law, the department shall:

(10) (a) Administer rail operating and construction programs, which programs shall include the regulation of maximum train operating speeds, the opening and closing of public grade crossings, the construction and rehabilitation of public grade crossings, and the installation of traffic control devices at public grade crossings, and administration of the programs by the department, including participating in the cost of the programs.

(b) For the 2017-2018 fiscal year only:
   1. Approve and implement quiet zones, including participating in the cost of the programs.
   2. Provide grant funding to assist with the implementation of quiet zones that have been approved by the department. Such funding may not exceed 50 percent of the nonfederal and nonprivate share of the total costs of any quiet zone capital improvement project.
3. Coordinate and work closely with local, state, and federal agencies to provide technical support to local agencies for the development of quiet zone plans.

4. Monitor crossing incidents at approved quiet zone locations and suspend the operation of a quiet zone at any time the department determines that a significant deterioration has resulted from quiet zone implementation.

Section 49. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2225 and 2226 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (10) of section 420.9072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

420.9072 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program.—The State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program is created for the purpose of providing funds to counties and eligible municipalities as an incentive for the creation of local housing partnerships, to expand production of and preserve affordable housing, to further the housing element of the local government comprehensive plan specific to affordable housing, and to increase housing-related employment.

(10) Notwithstanding ss. 420.9071(26) and 420.9075(5) and subsection (7), for the 2017-2018 2016-2017 fiscal year:

(a) The term “rent subsidies” means ongoing monthly rental assistance.

(b) Up to 25 percent of the funds made available in each county and each eligible municipality from the local housing distribution may be used for rental assistance and rent subsidies as provided in paragraph (c).

(c) A county or an eligible municipality may expend its portion of the local housing distribution to provide the
following types of rental assistance and rent subsidies:

1. Security and utility deposit assistance.

2. Eviction prevention subsidies not to exceed 6 months’ rent.

3. Rent subsidies for very-low-income households with at least one adult who is a person with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004 or a person who is homeless as defined in s. 420.621 when the person initially qualified for a rent subsidy. The period of rental subsidy may not exceed 12 months for any eligible household or person.

(d) This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 50. In order to implement Specific Appropriation of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (10) of section 420.5087, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

420.5087 State Apartment Incentive Loan Program.—There is hereby created the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program for the purpose of providing first, second, or other subordinated mortgage loans or loan guarantees to sponsors, including for-profit, nonprofit, and public entities, to provide housing affordable to very-low-income persons.

(10)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (3), for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the reservation of funds for the tenant groups within each notice of fund availability shall be:

1. Not less than 10 percent of the funds available at that time for the following tenant groups:
   a. Families;
   b. Persons who are homeless;
   c. Persons with special needs; and
   d. Elderly persons.
2. Not less than 5 percent of the funds available at that time for the commercial fishing workers and farmworkers tenant group.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the corporation shall issue a notice of funds availability of $40 million for loans to construct workforce housing to serve primarily low-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004, and, in the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern, to serve households with incomes not to exceed 140 percent of area median income when strategies are included in the local housing assistance plan to serve these households.

(c) This subsection expires July 1, 2017.

Section 51. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2225 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act:

(1) There is created a workgroup on affordable housing. The workgroup is assigned to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for administrative purposes only.

(2) The workgroup shall convene no later than September 1, 2017, and shall be composed of the following members:

(a) The executive director of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, who shall serve as chair of the workgroup.

(b) The executive director of the Department of Economic Opportunity or his or her designee.

(c) Five members appointed by the Governor. Of the five members, one must be an advocate for the homeless, one must be an advocate of the needs of individuals with disabling conditions and persons with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004, Florida Statutes, one must represent the building or
development community, and one must be a realtor licensed in this state.

(d) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate.

(e) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(f) The executive director of the Florida Association of Counties or his or her designee.

(g) The executive director of the Florida League of Cities or his or her designee.

(3)(a) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation shall provide administrative and staff support services to the workgroup which relate to its functions.

(b) Members of the workgroup shall serve without compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, Florida Statutes. Per diem and travel expenses incurred by a member of the workgroup shall be paid from funds budgeted to the state agency or entity that the member represents.

(4)(a) The workgroup shall develop recommendations for addressing the state’s affordable housing needs. The recommendations shall be presented to and approved by the board of directors of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. The recommendations shall include, but need not be limited to:

1. A review of market rate developments.


3. A review of land use for affordable housing developments.

5. A review of the state’s implementation of the low-income housing tax credit.

6. A review of private and public sector development and construction industries.

7. A review of the rental market for assisted rental housing.

8. The development of strategies and pathways for low-income housing.

(b) The workgroup shall submit a report including its recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2018, at which time the workgroup shall terminate.

Section 52. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1868 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (30) of section 427.013, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

427.013 The Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged; purpose and responsibilities.—The purpose of the commission is to accomplish the coordination of transportation services provided to the transportation disadvantaged. The goal of this coordination is to assure the cost-effective provision of transportation by qualified community transportation coordinators or transportation operators for the transportation disadvantaged without any bias or presumption in favor of multioperator systems or not-for-profit transportation operators over single operator systems or for-profit transportation operators. In carrying out this purpose, the commission shall:

(30) For the 2017-2018 fiscal year and notwithstanding any other provision of this section:

(a) Allocate, from funds provided in the General
Appropriations Act, to community transportation coordinators who do not receive Urbanized Area Formula funds pursuant to 49 U.S.C. s. 5307 to provide transportation services for persons with disabilities, older adults, and low-income persons so they may access health care, employment, education, and other life-sustaining activities. Funds allocated for this purpose shall be distributed among community transportation coordinators based upon the Transportation Disadvantaged Trip and Equipment allocation methodology established by the commission.

(b) Award, from funds provided in the General Appropriations Act, competitive grants to community transportation coordinators to support transportation projects to:

1. Enhance access to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation;
2. Assist in the development, improvement, and use of transportation systems in nonurbanized areas;
3. Promote the efficient coordination of services;
4. Support inner-city bus transportation; and
5. Encourage private transportation providers to participate.

(c) This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 53. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2610 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration and reversion of the amendment to section 321.04, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 110 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, subsection (3) of section 321.04, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:
Personnel of the highway patrol; rank classifications; probationary status of new patrol officers; subsistence; special assignments.—

(3)(a) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall assign one patrol officer to the office of the Governor; said patrol officer so assigned shall be selected by the Governor and shall have rank and pay not less than that of a lieutenant of the Florida Highway Patrol, and said patrol officer so assigned shall be paid by said department from the appropriation made to said department; said patrol officer shall have and receive all other benefits provided for in this chapter or any other statute now in existence or hereinafter enacted.

(b) For the 2017-2018 fiscal year only, the patrol officer shall be assigned to the Lieutenant Governor.

(4) For the 2017-2018 fiscal year only, the assignment of a patrol officer by the department shall include a Cabinet member specified in s. 4, Art. IV of the State Constitution if deemed appropriate by the department or in response to a threat and upon written request of such Cabinet member.

Section 54. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 3107, 3112A, 3133A, 3138A, 3139, and 3144A of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 257.191, 265.286, and 267.0617, Florida Statutes, the Department of State shall direct the State Library Council, the Florida Historical Commission, and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture to sort the applications received by each entity into two groups for ranking and funding purposes, those received from counties that are rural areas of opportunity as defined in s. 288.0656(2)(d), Florida Statutes, and those received from all other counties.
The two groups of applications shall be ranked separately, but otherwise in the same manner, and submitted for approval by the Secretary of State. This section applies only to applications received during the 2017-2018 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 55. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2226H of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, subsection (4) is added to section 288.1201, Florida Statutes, to read:

288.1201 State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund.—

(4)(a) Beginning July 1, 2017, the department shall retain in the trust fund any state funds appropriated for any program created under this chapter which is funded in the General Appropriations Act until the performance requirements established under contract or by law for such incentives are submitted to and verified by the department.

(b) The department shall return to the State Treasury all funds held by any entity pursuant to a contract executed for the Quick Action Closing Fund which are unexpended as of June 30, 2017. Such unexpended funds shall be deposited into the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund. The department shall take all steps necessary to comply with this paragraph by September 1, 2017. The department shall notify the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the status of compliance with this paragraph by October 1, 2017.

(c) This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 56. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1875 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d)
is added to subsection (3) of section 311.07, Florida Statutes, to read:

311.07 Florida seaport transportation and economic development funding.—

(3)

(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), and for the 2017-2018 fiscal year only, projects that are funded through a specific appropriation in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act are not required to match state funds in accordance with paragraph (a) or to meet project eligibility requirements specified in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c). This paragraph expires July 1, 2018.

Section 57. In order to implement Specific Appropriations through 1925, and 1964 through 1976 of the General Appropriations Act, paragraphs (d) and (e) are added to subsection (5) of section 339.135, Florida Statutes, to read:

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

(5) ADOPTION OF THE WORK PROGRAM.—

(d) It is the intent of the Legislature that the department maintain fiscal solvency and make prudent use of all available fiscal resources to minimize any project, or a phase thereof, from being deferred within the work program. It is further the intent of the Legislature that the department, to the maximum extent feasible, reduce financial projects not programmed for contract letting as identified with a work program contract class code 8 and the box code RV to add projects to the 2017-2018 work program which are identified by a specific
appropriation in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act. This paragraph expires July 1, 2018.

(e) The department shall provide to the Legislative Budget Commission the documents specified in subparagraphs 1.-8. when submitting the department’s work program amendment to request approval to realign the work program appropriation categories to the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act pursuant to subsection (7). In addition, any subsequent work program amendment submitted to the Legislative Budget Commission which results in a reduced project commitment level for the 2017-2018 fiscal year due to a reduction in state revenues must include the following documents:

1. A proposed finance plan, as balanced to the requested work program amendment to realign the work program categories to the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, or any other amendments that reduce work program commitments;

2. A proposed cash forecast as balanced to the requested work program amendment to realign the work program categories to the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, or any other amendments that reduce work program commitments;

3. An adopted finance plan, as of July 1, 2017;

4. An adopted cash forecast, as of July 1, 2017;

5. A complete list of projects, or phases thereof, deferred or deleted from the impact of the projects identified by a specific appropriation in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act for the 2017-2018 through 2021-2022 work program;

6. The department’s methodology for identifying projects, or phases thereof, for deferral or deletion for the 2017-2018 through 2021-2022 work program;
7. A letter of concurrence or nonconcurrence from the affected metropolitan planning organization or, for nonmetropolitan areas, the board of county commissioners with impacted project selections; and

8. A complete list of financial projects not programmed for contract letting as identified with a work program contract class code 8 and the box code RV included in fiscal years 2017-2018 through 2021-2022, as of July 1, 2017.

This paragraph expires July 1, 2018.

Section 58. In order to implement the salaries and benefits, expenses, other personal services, contracted services, special categories, and operating capital outlay categories of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration and reversion of the amendment to section 216.292, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 112 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 216.292, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.292 Appropriations nontransferable; exceptions.—

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

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

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

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

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

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

5. For the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the review shall ensure
that transfers proposed pursuant to this paragraph comply with
this chapter and are not contrary to legislative policy and
intent. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2018.

Section 59. In order to implement appropriations for
salaries and benefits in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations
Act, subsection (6) of section 112.24, Florida Statutes, is
amended to read:

112.24 Intergovernmental interchange of public employees.—
To encourage economical and effective utilization of public employees in this state, the temporary assignment of employees among agencies of government, both state and local, and including school districts and public institutions of higher education is authorized under terms and conditions set forth in this section. State agencies, municipalities, and political subdivisions are authorized to enter into employee interchange agreements with other state agencies, the Federal Government, another state, a municipality, or a political subdivision including a school district, or with a public institution of higher education. State agencies are also authorized to enter into employee interchange agreements with private institutions of higher education and other nonprofit organizations under the terms and conditions provided in this section. In addition, the Governor or the Governor and Cabinet may enter into employee interchange agreements with a state agency, the Federal Government, another state, a municipality, or a political subdivision including a school district, or with a public institution of higher learning to fill, subject to the requirements of chapter 20, appointive offices which are within the executive branch of government and which are filled by appointment by the Governor or the Governor and Cabinet. Under no circumstances shall employee interchange agreements be utilized for the purpose of assigning individuals to participate in political campaigns. Duties and responsibilities of interchange employees shall be limited to the mission and goals of the agencies of government.

(6) For the 2017-2018 fiscal year only, the assignment of an employee of a state agency as provided in this...
section may be made if recommended by the Governor or Chief Justice, as appropriate, and approved by the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees. Such actions shall be deemed approved if neither chair provides written notice of objection within 14 days after receiving notice of the action pursuant to s. 216.177. This subsection expires July 1, 2018.

Section 60. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2681 and 2682 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s. 11.13(1), Florida Statutes, the authorized salaries for members of the Legislature for the 2017-2018 fiscal year shall be set at the same level in effect on July 1, 2010. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 61. In order to implement the transfer of funds to the General Revenue Fund from trust funds for the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date contained in section 117 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 215.32, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

215.32 State funds; segregation.—
(2) The source and use of each of these funds shall be as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

   f. Clearing funds trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to account for collections pending distribution to lawful
g. Federal grant trust fund, for use as a depository for funds to be used for allowable grant activities funded by restricted program revenues from federal sources.

To the extent possible, each agency must adjust its internal accounting to use existing trust funds consistent with the requirements of this subparagraph. If an agency does not have trust funds listed in this subparagraph and cannot make such adjustment, the agency must recommend the creation of the necessary trust funds to the Legislature no later than the next scheduled review of the agency’s trust funds pursuant to s. 215.3206.

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

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

b. This subparagraph does not apply to trust funds required by federal programs or mandates; trust funds established for bond covenants, indentures, or resolutions whose revenues are legally pledged by the state or public body to meet debt service or other financial requirements of any debt obligations of the
state or any public body; the Division of Licensing Trust Fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; the State Transportation Trust Fund; the trust fund containing the net annual proceeds from the Florida Education Lotteries; the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund; trust funds under the management of the State Board of Education or the Board of Governors of the State University System, where such trust funds are for auxiliary enterprises, self-insurance, and contracts, grants, and donations, as those terms are defined by general law; trust funds that serve as clearing funds or accounts for the Chief Financial Officer or state agencies; trust funds that account for assets held by the state in a trustee capacity as an agent or fiduciary for individuals, private organizations, or other governmental units; and other trust funds authorized by the State Constitution.

Section 62. The amendment to s. 215.32(2)(b), Florida Statutes, as carried forward by this act from chapter 2011-47, Laws of Florida, expires July 1, 2018, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2011, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 63. In order to implement the issuance of new debt authorized in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, and pursuant to s. 215.98, Florida Statutes, the Legislature determines that the authorization and issuance of debt for the 2017-2018 fiscal year should be implemented and is in the best interest of the state. This section expires July 1, 2018.
Section 64. In order to implement appropriations in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel, the funds appropriated to each state agency which may be used for travel by state employees are limited during the 2017-2018 fiscal year to travel for activities that are critical to each state agency’s mission. Funds may not be used for travel by state employees to foreign countries, other states, conferences, staff training activities, or other administrative functions unless the agency head has approved, in writing, that such activities are critical to the agency’s mission. The agency head shall consider using teleconferencing and other forms of electronic communication to meet the needs of the proposed activity before approving mission-critical travel. This section does not apply to travel for law enforcement purposes, military purposes, emergency management activities, or public health activities. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 65. In order to implement appropriations in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel and notwithstanding s. 112.061, Florida Statutes, costs for lodging associated with a meeting, conference, or convention organized or sponsored in whole or in part by a state agency or the judicial branch may not exceed $150 per day. An employee may expend his or her own funds for any lodging expenses in excess of $150 per day. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 66. In order to implement section 8 of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, upon the expiration and reversion of the amendments made to section 110.12315, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 123 of chapter 2016-62, Laws of Florida, subsection (7) of section 110.12315, Florida Statutes,
is amended to read:

110.12315 Prescription drug program.—The state employees’ prescription drug program is established. This program shall be administered by the Department of Management Services, according to the terms and conditions of the plan as established by the relevant provisions of the annual General Appropriations Act and implementing legislation, subject to the following conditions:

(7) Under the state employees’ prescription drug program copayments must be made as follows:

(a) Effective July 1, 2017 January 1, 2006, for the State Group Health Insurance Standard Plan, copayments must be made as follows:

1. For a supply for up to 30 days from a retail pharmacy:
   a. For generic drug with card..............................$7 $10.
   b. For preferred brand name drug with card.........$30 $25.
   c. For nonpreferred brand name drug with card....$50 $40.

2. For a supply for up to 90 days from a mail order pharmacy or a retail pharmacy participating in a 90-day supply network:
   a. For generic mail order drug............................$14 $20.
   b. For preferred brand name mail order drug........$60 $50.
   c. For nonpreferred brand name mail order drug...$100 $80.

(b) Effective July 1, 2017 January 1, 2006, for the State Group Health Insurance High Deductible Plan, coinsurance must be paid as follows:

1. For a supply for up to 30 days from a retail pharmacy:
   a. Retail coinsurance For generic drug with card........30%.
   b. Retail coinsurance For preferred brand name drug with card..................................................30%.
c. Retail coinsurance For nonpreferred brand name drug with card. .................................50%.

2. For a supply for up to 90 days from a mail order pharmacy or a retail pharmacy participating in a 90-day supply network:
   a. Mail order coinsurance For generic drug ..........30%.
   b. Mail order coinsurance For preferred brand name drug. .........................................................30%.
   c. Mail order coinsurance For nonpreferred brand name drug. .........................................................50%.

Section 67. The amendment made by this act to s. 110.12315(7), Florida Statutes, shall expire July 1, 2018, and the text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2017, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 68. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the special categories, contracted services, and expenses categories of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, a state agency may not enter into a contract containing a nondisclosure clause that prohibits the contractor from disclosing information relevant to the performance of the contract to members or staff of the Senate or the House of Representatives. This section expires July 1, 2018.

Section 69. Any section of this act which implements a specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act is void if the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso
language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of specifically identified proviso language in the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso language are vetoed.

Section 70. If any other act passed during the 2017 Regular Session of the Legislature contains a provision that is substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the provision in the other act takes precedence and continues to operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

Section 71. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 72. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2017; or, if this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2017.