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2 A bill to be entitled
3 An act relating to implementing the 2026-2027 General
4 Appropriations Act; providing legislative intent;
5 incorporating by reference certain calculations of the
6 Florida Education Finance Program; and providing an
7 effective date; incorporating by reference the School
8 Readiness Program Reimbursement Rates; and providing an
9 effective date; amending s. 1011.45, F.S.; requiring a
10 carry forward spending plan to commit certain excess
11 reserve balances to specified projects in a specified
12 manner; providing for the future expiration and reversion
13 of specified statutory text; authorizing the Agency for
14 Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments to
15 realign Medicaid funding for specified purposes, subject to
16 certain limitations; authorizing the Agency for Health Care
17 Administration to submit budget amendments to realign
18 Kidcare funding for specified purposes, subject to certain
19 limitations; authorizing the Agency for Health Care
20 Administration to submit budget amendments to implement the
21 Directed Payment Program, the Indirect Medical Education
22 Program, and a nursing workforce expansion and education
23 program; authorizing the Agency for Health Care
24 Administration to submit budget amendments to implement a
25 directed payment program and fee-for-service supplemental
26 payments for cancer hospitals; authorizing the Agency for
27 Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments to
28 implement the Low Income Pool; authorizing the Agency for
29 Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments to

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30 implement fee-for-service supplemental payments and a
31 directed payment program for physicians and subordinate
32 licensed health care practitioners; authorizing the Agency
33 for Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments
34 to implement a certified expenditure program for emergency
35 medical transportation services; authorizing the Agency for
36 Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments to
37 implement the Disproportionate Share Hospital Program;
38 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to
39 submit budget amendments to implement fee-for-service
40 inpatient and outpatient supplemental payments for certain
41 specialty hospitals; authorizing the Agency for Health Care
42 Administration to submit budget amendments to support the
43 Florida School-Based Services program; authorizing the
44 Department of Children and Families, Department of Health,
45 and Agency for Health Care Administration to submit budget
46 amendments for federal Refugee Programs; requiring the
47 Agency for Health Care Administration to replace the
48 Florida Medicaid Management Information System (FMMIS) and
49 fiscal agent operations with a specified new system;
50 specifying items that may not be included in the new
51 system; providing directives to the Agency for Health Care
52 Administration related to the new system, the Florida
53 Health Care Connection (FX) system; requiring the Agency
54 for Health Care Administration to meet certain requirements
55 in replacing FMMIS and the current Medicaid fiscal agent;
56 requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to
57 implement a specified program governance structure that
58 includes an executive steering committee; providing

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59 procedures for use by the executive steering committee;
60 providing responsibilities of the executive steering
61 committee requiring the establishment of a state agency
62 stakeholder working group; providing composition and
63 requirements for such group; authorizing the Agency for
64 Health Care Administration and the Agency for Persons with
65 Disabilities to submit budget amendments to implement the
66 home community-based services Medicaid waiver program under
67 the Agency for Persons with Disabilities; requiring the
68 Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with
69 the Department of Health, the Agency for Persons with
70 Disabilities, the Department of Children and Families, and
71 the Department of Corrections, to competitively procure a
72 contract with a vendor to negotiate prices for certain
73 prescribed drugs and biological products; providing
74 specifications for such contract; authorizing the Agency
75 for Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments
76 for the Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program;
77 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to
78 submit budget amendments for the Institution for Mental
79 Disease (IMD) Waiver; authorizing the Agency for Health
80 Care Administration to submit budget amendments to support
81 adults and children with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) or
82 Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED); authorizing the Agency
83 for Health Care Administration to submit budget amendments
84 to increase the number of positions to implement the Rural
85 Transformation Health Grant Program; amending s. 409.915,
86 F.S.; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration
87 to submit a budget amendment to increase, decrease, or

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88 realign trust fund budget authority within the Medicaid
89 Services appropriation categories; amending s. 409.909,
90 F.S. requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to
91 utilize a certain formula to calculate an allocation
92 fraction for the Slots for Doctors Program; requiring the
93 Agency for Health Care Administration to amend the Florida
94 Medicaid Developmental Disabilities Individual Budgeting
95 Waiver Services Provider Rate Table for a specified
96 purpose; requiring providers to be reimbursed at the
97 existing hourly rate for certain recipients; requiring the
98 agency to develop a methodology to monitor and evaluate the
99 fiscal impact of the revised reimbursement methodology and
100 submit quarterly reports to the Legislature and the
101 Executive Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and
102 Budget; providing for the future expiration and reversion
103 of specified statutory text; authorizing the Agency for
104 Persons with Disabilities to transfer funding from Salaries
105 and Benefits to other categories to support additional
106 staff augmentation at Developmental Disability Centers;
107 authorizing the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to
108 submit budget amendments to address deficits or funding
109 shortfalls; authorizing the Department of Children and
110 Families to use a tiered funding model for the Community-
111 Based Care lead agencies and requiring specified criteria;
112 authorizing the Department of Children and Families to
113 submit budget amendments for certain federal grant
114 programs; extending the current exemption allowing medical
115 marijuana rules to bypass certain rulemaking requirements
116 until July 1, 2027; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; extending

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for one fiscal year the exemption of certain rules pertaining to the medical use of marijuana from certain rulemaking requirements; reenacting and amending s. 14, chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida; exempting certain rules pertaining to medical marijuana adopted to replace emergency rules from specified rulemaking requirements; providing for the future expiration and reversion of specified law; requiring the emergency rule making authority to expire July 1, 2027; authorizing the Department of Health to submit budget amendments to increase budget authority for the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and the Child Care Food Program if certain conditions are met; authorizing the Department of Health to submit budget amendments to increase budget authority for the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment Program if a certain condition is met; authorizing the Department of Health to submit budget amendments to increase budget authority for the department if additional federal revenues specific to COVID-19 relief funds become available; authorizing the Department of Elder Affairs to submit budget amendments for the Adult Food Program; authorizing the Department of Elder Affairs to submit budget amendments for the Older Americans Act; authorizing the Department of Veteran's Affairs to submit budget amendments, with Legislative Budget Commission approval, to increase the number of positions in the state's veterans nursing homes; authorizing the Department of Veterans Affairs to submit budget amendments for additional budget authority for construction of a new State

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Veterans Nursing Home, subject to certain requirements; 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; 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; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to review county juvenile detention payments to determine whether a county has met specified financial responsibilities; requiring that amounts owed by a certain county for such financial responsibilities 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 to comply with bond covenants; requiring the Department of Revenue to notify the Department of Juvenile Justice if bond payment requirements mandate a reduction in deductions for amounts owed by a county; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to take certain actions; reenacting s.27.40(1), (2)(a), (3)(a), (5), (6), and (7), F.S., relating to court-appointed counsel; extending for 1 fiscal year provisions governing the appointment of court-appointed counsel; providing for the future expiration and reversion of specified statutory text; reenacting and amending

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s.27.5304, F.S., relating to the extension for 1 fiscal year limitations on compensation for representation in criminal proceedings; revising the maximum compensation for certain proceedings; providing for the future expiration and reversion of specified statutory text; amending s. 908.1033, F.S.; authorizing local law enforcement agencies to apply to the State Board of Immigration Enforcement to provide bonus payments for certain certified correctional officers; amending s. 215.18, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year certain authority to transfer funds from other trust funds in the State Treasury to other trust funds in certain circumstances; 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 make transfers to land acquisition trust funds monthly; specifying the method of determining transfer amounts; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to advance funds from its land acquisition trust fund to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's land acquisition trust fund for specified purposes; amending ss. 376.3071 and 376.3072, F.S.; prohibiting certain deductibles and copays; prohibiting enforcement of certain monetary caps; requiring that certain costs be absorbed at the expense of the Inland

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204 Protection Trust Fund; providing exceptions; reenacting s.
205 376.3071(15)(g), F.S., relating to the Inland Protection
206 Trust Fund; providing for the future expiration and
207 reversion of specified statutory text; amending s. 259.105,
208 F.S.; providing that proceeds from a specified trust fund
209 shall be distributed as provided in the General
210 Appropriations Act; reenacting and amending s. 380.5105,
211 F.S., relating to the Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts;
212 revising the intent of the program; providing for the
213 future expiration and reversion of specified statutory
214 text; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
215 Commission to use specified funds to provide grants for a
216 specified purpose; authorizing the Department of
217 Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Department of
218 Environmental Protection to submit budget amendments
219 seeking additional spending authority; amending s.
220 403.0673, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental
221 Protection to dedicate certain funds for specified
222 projects; amending s. 373.475 and s. 403.890, F.S.,
223 authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to
224 use funds for Harmful Algal Bloom Management; amending
225 s.380.0555, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental
226 Protection to enter into Financial Assistance Agreements
227 with Franklin County or the City of Apalachicola for up to
228 certain amounts and projects within the Apalachicola Bay
229 Area of Critical State Concern; authorizing nonoperating
230 budget authority in the Department of Environmental
231 Protection to implement specific appropriations; amending
232 s. 112.061, F.S.; extending for one fiscal year the

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233 authorization for the Lieutenant Governor to designate an
234 alternative official headquarters under certain conditions;
235 specifying restrictions, limitations, eligibility for the
236 subsistence allowance, reimbursement of transportation
237 expenses, and payment thereof; exempts the Division of
238 Emergency Management from the use of the state data center;
239 providing an expiration date; authorizing the Division of
240 Emergency Management and the Department of Commerce to
241 submit budget amendments providing budget authority to
242 address disaster recovery expenditure needs; amending s.
243 288.80125, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year a requirement
244 that funds in the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund be related
245 to Hurricane Michael recovery; providing for the future
246 expiration and reversion of specified statutory text in s.
247 288.8013, related to the Triumph Gulf Coast trust account;
248 authorizing the Department of Commerce to submit budget
249 amendments providing budget authority to address disaster
250 recovery expenditure needs; authorizing the Department of
251 Commerce to submit budget amendments for an increase in
252 appropriation to address expenditure needs related to
253 community assistance for low-income Floridians; authorizing
254 the Department of Commerce to submit budget amendments for
255 an increase in appropriation to support broadband internet
256 development programs; authorizes Florida Housing Finance
257 Corporation to repurpose Hurricane Housing Recovery funds;
258 extending for 1 fiscal year a requirement that certain
259 appropriated funds relating to the Rural Infrastructure
260 Fund be distributed in a specified manner; authorizes the
261 Department of Commerce to submit budget amendments

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262 providing budget authority to address disaster recovery
263 needs in Fiscal Year 2025-2026; authorizes Space Florida to
264 use no less than \$5 million for certain projects;
265 authorizes the Department of Commerce to submit budget
266 amendments to address expenditure needs for the State Small
267 Business Credit Initiative; s. 321.04, F.S.; extending for
268 one fiscal year the requirement that the Department of
269 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles assign one or more patrol
270 officers to the office of Lieutenant Governor for security
271 purposes, upon request of the Governor; extending for 1
272 fiscal year the requirement that the Department of Highway
273 Safety and Motor Vehicles assign a patrol officer to a
274 Cabinet member under certain circumstances; authorizes pay
275 adjustments for certain class codes in the Division of
276 Motorist Services; authorizes pay adjustments for certain
277 class codes in the Division of Florida Highway Patrol;
278 authorizes pay adjustments for certain class codes in the
279 Office of General Counsel and Bureau of Administrative
280 Review; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal
281 year the authority for the chair and vice chair of the
282 Legislative Budget Commission to approve certain work
283 program amendments under specified circumstances;
284 authorizing the Department of Transportation to submit
285 budget amendments providing budget authority to address
286 expenditure needs related to transit development projects;
287 extending for 1 fiscal year the authority of the Department
288 of Transportation to retain the interest earnings on funds
289 appropriated to implement the Moving Florida Forward Plan;
290 specifies that funds are provided for Keep Florida Litter

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Free in place of the Keep America Beautiful Statewide Affiliate, requires the Department of Transportation to coordinate with the Department of Environmental Protection on the campaign; authorizing the Department of Management Services to use certain facility disposition funds from the Architects Incidental Trust Fund to pay for certain relocation expenses; authorizing the Department of Management Services to submit budget amendments for certain purposes related to the relocation; authorizing the Department of Management Services, the Executive Office of the Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Attorney General to enter into specified leases as a lessee without having to advertise or receive competitive solicitations; providing a monetary cap on lodging costs 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 that exceed the monetary caps; authorizing state agencies and other eligible users of the Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System to use the Department of Management Services contract to purchase equipment and services; requiring a specified transaction fee percentage for use of the online procurement system; specifying the type of travel which may be used with state employee travel funds; authorizing the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation to adopt certain policy forms; authorizing the corporation to contract with the Division of Administrative Hearings to conduct certain proceedings and resolve specified disputes; authorizing state agencies

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320 to purchase vehicles from nonstate term contract vendors
321 without prior approval from the Department of Management
322 Services under certain circumstances; requiring the
323 Department of Management Services to assess an
324 administrative health insurance assessment on each state
325 agency; providing the rate of such assessment; defining the
326 term "state agency"; providing how a state agency shall
327 remit certain funds; requiring the Department of Management
328 Services to take certain actions in case of delinquencies;
329 requiring the Chief Financial Officer to transfer funds
330 under specified circumstances; providing an exception;
331 requiring state agencies to provide a list of positions
332 that qualify for such exception by a specified date and to
333 update the list monthly thereafter; requiring state
334 agencies to include the administrative health insurance
335 assessment in their indirect cost plan; requiring agencies
336 to notify the Department of Management Services regarding
337 the approval of their updated indirect cost plans;
338 authorizing the Department of Military Affairs to implement
339 the Florida National Guard Healthcare Insurance
340 Reimbursement Program; authorizing the Department of
341 Military Affairs to implement the Joint Enlistment and
342 Enhancement Program; authorizing the Department of
343 Management Services to submit budget amendments to
344 implement the Centrex and SUNCOM program; modifying
345 eligibility for the My Safe Florida Home Program;
346 authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to
347 transfer funds between departments for purposes of aligning
348 amounts paid for risk management premiums; for human

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resource management services purchased per statewide contract; relating to the source and use of certain trust funds in order to implement the transfer of moneys into the General Revenue Fund from trust funds in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act; prohibiting an agency from transferring funds from a data processing category to another category that is not a data processing or cloud computing categories; authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to transfer funds between departments for purposes of aligning data processing services; authorizing state data center auxiliary assessments charged to state agencies related to contract management services provided to Northwest Regional Data Center at a specified percent; amending s. 216.023, F.S.; requiring certain entities to include a specified inventory in their legislative budget request, requiring such inventory include specified information; providing application; providing an expiration date; authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to transfer budget authority between agencies in specified circumstances; providing that certain entities are not required to develop specified plans; amending s. 216.181, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the authority of the Legislative Budget Commission to approve budget amendments for certain fixed capital outlay projects; amending s. 216.292, F.S.; extending for 1 fiscal year the requirements for certain transfers; amending s. 216.013, F.S., specifying that state agencies and the judicial branch are not required to develop or post the long-range program plan for the 2027-2028 fiscal year; amending s. 216.023, F.S.,

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specifying that state agencies and the judicial branch are not required to develop or post the agency-level unit cost summary for the 2027-2028 fiscal year; 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 for contingent retroactivity; 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 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Section 2. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 5, 6, 88, and 89 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, the calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program for the 2026-2027 fiscal year in the document entitled "Public School Funding-The Florida Education Finance Program," dated December 10, 2025 and filed with the Executive Office of the Governor are incorporated by reference for the purpose of displaying the calculations used in making appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 3. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 80 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, the school

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readiness reimbursement rates for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 included in the document titled "School Readiness Program Reimbursement Rates Fiscal Year 2026-2027," dated December 10, 2025, and filed with the Executive Office of the Governor, are incorporated by reference, consistent with the requirements of state law, in making appropriations for the school readiness program allocation. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 4. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 152 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, present subsection (5) of section 1011.45, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (6), a new subsection (5) is added to that section, and subsection (3) of that section is amended, to read:

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

(3) A university's carry forward spending plan must include the estimated cost per planned expenditure and a timeline for completion of the expenditure. A carry forward spending plan may include retention of the carry forward balance as a reserve fund to be used for authorized expenses in subsequent years. For any annual reserve balance in excess of the 7 percent minimum carry forward balance pursuant to subsection (1), the authorized expenditures in a carry forward spending plan must include a commitment of 12 percent of the university's 2026-2027 fiscal year state operating fund carry forward balance to fund a public

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education capital outlay project for which an appropriation has
previously been provided which requires additional funds for
completion and which is included in the list required by s.
1001.706(12) (d) or for deferred building maintenance expenses.

The carry forward spending plan must identify the specific
public education capital outlay project and the amount the
university will contribute toward the fixed capital outlay
project pursuant to s. 1001.706(12) (d) or specific deferred
maintenance project. Authorized expenditures in a carry forward
spending plan may include:

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

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

(c) Completion of a remodeling or infrastructure project,
including a project for a developmental research school, if such
project is survey recommended pursuant to s. 1013.31;

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

(e) Operating expenditures that support the university's
mission;

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

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(g) A commitment of funds to a contingency reserve for expenses incurred as a result of a state of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to s. 252.36; and

(h) Deferred building maintenance expenses for the maintenance, repair, and renovation of projects to improve the health and safety of such facilities.

(5) A university's carry forward spending plan pursuant to subsection (1) must provide detailed documentation of expenditures that the university applied toward the prior year carry forward spending plan.

Section 5. The amendments to s. 1011.45, Florida Statutes, made by this act expire July 1, 2027, and the text of that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2025, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 6. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 209 through 237 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding within the Medicaid program appropriation categories to address projected surpluses and deficits within the program and to maximize the use of state trust funds. This section expires July 1, 2027.

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495 Section 7. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
496 190 through 195 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and
497 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
498 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget
499 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
500 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to realign funding
501 within the Florida Kidcare program appropriation categories, to
502 address projected surpluses and deficits within the program or
503 to maximize the use of state trust funds. This section expires
504 July 1, 2027.

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506 Section 8. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
507 216, 217, 219, and 223 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations
508 Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida
509 Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit
510 budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
511 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting
512 additional spending authority to implement the federally
513 approved Directed Payment Program for hospitals statewide
514 providing inpatient and outpatient services to Medicaid managed
515 care enrollees, the Indirect Medical Education (IME) Program,
516 and a nursing workforce expansion and education program for
517 certain institutions participating in a graduate medical
518 education or nursing education program. For institutions
519 participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education
520 program, the budget amendment must identify the educational
521 institutions partnering with the teaching hospital. Institutions
522 participating in the nursing workforce expansion and education

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523 program shall provide quarterly reports to the agency detailing
524 the number of nurses participating in the program. This section
525 expires July 1, 2027.

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527 Section 9. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
528 217, 219, and 223 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act,
529 and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes,
530 the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget
531 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
532 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting
533 additional spending authority to implement the federally
534 approved Directed Payment Program and fee-for-service
535 supplemental payments for cancer hospitals that meet the
536 criteria in 42 U.S.C. s. 1395ww(d) (1) (B) (v). This section
537 expires July 1, 2027.

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539 Section 10. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
540 209 through 237 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and
541 notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
542 Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget
543 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
544 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting
545 additional spending authority to implement the Low Income Pool
546 component of the Florida Managed Medical Assistance
547 Demonstration up to the total computable funds authorized by the
548 federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The budget
549 amendment must include the final terms and conditions of the Low
550 Income Pool, a proposed distribution model by entity, and a
551 listing of entities contributing intergovernmental transfers to

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support the state match required. In addition, for each entity included in the distribution model, a signed attestation must be provided that includes the charity care cost upon which the Low Income Pool payment is based and an acknowledgment that should the distribution result in an overpayment based on the Low Income Pool cost limit audit, the entity is responsible for returning that overpayment to the agency for return to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 11. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 222 and 223 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement fee-for-service supplemental payments and a directed payment program for physicians and subordinate licensed health care practitioners employed by or under contract with a Florida medical or dental school, or a public hospital. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 12. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 220, 223, and 235 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement a certified

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expenditure program for emergency medical transportation services. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 13. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 209 through 237 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement the Disproportionate Share Hospital Program. The budget amendment must include a proposed distribution model by entity and a listing of entities contributing intergovernmental transfers and certified public expenditures to support the state match required. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 14. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 217 and 219 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement fee-for-service inpatient and outpatient supplemental payments for specialty hospitals as defined in s. 395.002(28), Florida Statutes, providing comprehensive acute care services to children with Medicaid inpatient utilization equal to or greater than 50 percent and located in a county with greater than 250,000 Medicaid enrollees in 2023. This section expires July 1, 2027.

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Section 15. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 201 and 228 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority to support the Florida School-Based Services program. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 16. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 209, 210, 212, 217, 219, 220, 222 through 224, 363, 372, 475, 479, 480, 486, 501, 502, 508, and 512 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, and the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority to support federal refugee programs administered by the federal Office of Refugee Resettlement due to the ongoing instability of federal immigration policy and the resulting inability of the state to reasonably predict, with certainty, the budgetary needs of this state with respect to the number of refugees relocated to the state as part of those federal programs. The Department of Children and Families shall submit quarterly reports to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the number of refugees entering the state, the nations of origin of such

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refugees, and current expenditure projections. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 17._In order to implement Specific Appropriation 203 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act:

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

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

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

(c) Any contract executed after July 1, 2022, not including staff augmentation services purchased off the Department of Management Services Information Technology staff augmentation

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state term contract that are not deliverables based fixed price contracts.

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

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

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

(c) Maintain an enterprise architecture framework to support ongoing alignment with FX program objectives and evolving operational needs, including maintaining key components such as the Business Capability Model and Business Value Model.

(d) Apply value-based measures to support informed decision making around system performance, optimization, and continuous improvement. These measures must be tracked and reported quarterly to the FX Executive Steering Committee post-implementation to support performance monitoring and continuous improvement.

(e) Through documented FX architecture governance practices, ensure that the Medicaid business needs and the business architecture are the primary drivers of information and technical architecture design decisions.

All such decisions must be documented with traceable rationale to promote transparency and accountability across the program. The business, information, and technical architectures must align with the MITA framework where applicable. In areas where

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697 MITA guidance is not available, alignment will be maintained
698 through adherence to The Open Group Architecture Framework
699 (TOGAF).

700 (f) Ensure compliance and uniformity with the published MITA
701 framework and guidelines. The agency shall:

702 1. Maintain and utilize an Enterprise Architecture (EA)
703 management tool that supports an integrated approach to FX
704 program architecture. The EA tool must serve as a centralized
705 repository for the FX Business Process Inventory and support the
706 integrated management and oversight of the FX business,
707 technical, and information architectures.

708 2. Ensure all documentation and artifacts related to meeting the
709 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Conditions for
710 Enhanced Funding (CEF) are reviewed, validated, and approved by
711 the designated MITA/CERT vendor to ensure they sufficiently
712 address the applicable CEF requirements. This review by the
713 MITA/CERT vendor shall be incorporated into the deliverable
714 acceptance process for payment to FX vendors.

715 3. Conduct, with the MITA/CERT vendor, quarterly governance
716 reviews to assess conformance with MITA, TOGAF, and the FX
717 Business Architecture framework and submit a quarterly
718 governance report to the FX Executive Steering Committee
719 detailing key decisions, compliance status, deviations, and
720 corrective actions.

721 (g) Ensure that all business requirements and technical
722 specifications have been provided to all affected state agencies
723 for their review and input and approved by the executive
724 steering committee established in paragraph (k).

725 (h) Maintain a data governance structure for the program to

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coordinate data sharing and interoperability across state health care entities.

(i) Maintain a continuing oversight team for each contract pursuant to s. 287.057(26), Florida Statutes. The teams must provide quarterly reports to the executive steering committee, summarizing the status of the contract, the pace of deliverables, the quality of deliverables, contractor responsiveness, and contractor performance.

(j) Maintain and refine a program governance structure that includes an executive steering committee composed of:

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

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

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

4. A representative of the Division of Health Quality Assurance of the Agency for Health Care Administration, appointed by the Secretary of Health Care Administration.

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

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

(3) (a) The Secretary of Health Care Administration or the

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executive sponsor of the program shall serve as chair of the
executive steering committee, and the committee shall take
action by a vote of at least 5 affirmative votes with the chair
voting on the prevailing side. A quorum of the executive
steering committee consists of at least 5 members.

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

a. A representative of FX program leadership.

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

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

d. Representatives from each continuing oversight team.

e. The FX program strategic roadmap manager.

f. The FX program project managers.

g. The FX program risk manager.

h. The Project Management Office Administrator of the Florida
Digital Service.

i. Any other personnel deemed necessary by the chair.

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

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784 The chair shall request input from the working group on agenda
785 items for each scheduled meeting. The program shall make
786 available program staff to the group, as needed, for the group
787 to fulfill its duties.

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

790 a. The executive sponsor of the FX program.

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

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

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

798 e. A representative from the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation.

799 f. A representative from the Department of Elderly Affairs,
800 appointed by the Secretary of Elderly Affairs.

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

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

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807 2. The working group shall meet at least quarterly to review the
808 program status and all program operations, policies, risks, and
809 issues that may impact the operations external to the Agency for
810 Health Care Administration FX program, and shall develop
811 recommendations to the executive steering committee for
812 improvement. The chair shall request input from the working

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group on agenda items for each scheduled meeting. The program shall make available program staff to the group to provide system demonstrations and any program documentation, as needed, for the group to fulfill its duties.

(4) The executive steering committee has the overall responsibility for ensuring that the program to replace FMMIS and the Medicaid fiscal agent 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 modular replacement to standardize, to the fullest extent possible, the state's health care data and business processes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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(h) Approve all major program deliverables.

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

(5) This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 18. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 231 and 254 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, at least 3 days before the effective date of the action, to increase budget authority to support the implementation of the home and community-based services Medicaid waiver program of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 19. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 223, 224, 279, 290, 349, 502, 526, and 751 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Department of Health, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Corrections, shall competitively procure a contract with a vendor to negotiate, for these agencies, prices for prescribed drugs and biological products excluded from the program established under s. 381.02035, Florida Statutes, and ineligible under 21 U.S.C. s.

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384, including, but not limited to, insulin and epinephrine. The contract may allow the vendor to directly purchase these products for participating agencies when feasible and advantageous. The contracted vendor must be compensated on a contingency basis, paid from a portion of the savings achieved by its price negotiation or purchase of the prescription drugs and products. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 20. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 220 and 223 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and not withstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to implement the Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 21. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 211 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and not withstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting additional spending authority to support an Institution for Mental Disease (IMD) Medicaid Waiver. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 22. In order to implement Specific Appropriation

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211 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and not
withstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget
amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting
additional spending authority to implement a home and community-
based services (HCBS) program to support adults and children
with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) or Serious Emotional
Disturbance SED). This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 23. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
179 and 245 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and
notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the
Agency for Health Care Administration may submit budget
amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, requesting the
authority to establish positions in excess of the number
authorized by the Legislature, increase appropriations in the
Medical Care Trust Fund, or provide a necessary salary rate
sufficient to provide for essential staff to implement the Rural
Health Transformation Grant Program.

Section 24. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
223 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (1)
of section 409.915, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.915 County contributions to Medicaid.— Although the state is
responsible for the full portion of the state share of the
matching funds required for the Medicaid program, the state

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shall charge the counties an annual contribution in order to acquire a certain portion of these funds.

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

(b) The term does not include funds specially assessed by any local governmental entity and used as the nonfederal share for the hospital directed payment program after July 1, 2021. This paragraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 25. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 209 through 237 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration is authorized to submit a budget amendment, pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase, decrease, or realign trust fund budget authority within the Medicaid Services appropriation categories. The amendment shall align Medicaid budget authority to the caseload and expenditure projections adopted by the first Social Services Estimating Conference of the 2026-2027 fiscal year and may address projected surpluses and deficits across appropriation categories in order to fully utilize available trust funds and ensure continued program operations. The agency shall submit one such budget amendment no later than the end of the first quarter of the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

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Section 26. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 216 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) and (6) of section 409.909, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.909 Statewide Medicaid Residency Program.—

(3) The agency shall use the following formula to calculate an allocation fraction for participating hospital's, and qualifying institution's, and the Slots for Doctors Program allocation fraction:

$$\text{HAF} = [0.9 \times (\text{HFTE}/\text{TFTE})] + [0.1 \times (\text{HMP}/\text{TMP})]$$

Where:

HAF = A hospital's and qualifying institution's allocation fraction.

HFTE = A hospital's and qualifying institution's total number of FTE residents.

TFTE = The total FTE residents for all participating hospitals and qualifying institutions.

HMP = A hospital's and qualifying institution's Medicaid payments.

TMP = The total Medicaid payments for all participating hospitals and qualifying institutions.

(6) The Slots for Doctors Program is established to address the physician workforce shortage by increasing the supply of highly trained physicians through the creation of new resident positions, which will increase access to care and improve health outcomes for Medicaid recipients. The agency shall use the

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formula pursuant to subsection (3) to calculate annual
allocations to hospitals, qualifying institutions, and
behavioral health teaching hospitals.

~~(a)1. Notwithstanding subsection (4), the agency shall annually
allocate \$100,000 to hospitals, qualifying institutions, and
behavioral health teaching hospitals designated under s. 395.902
for each newly created resident position that is first filled on
or after June 1, 2023, and filled thereafter, and that is
accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical
Education or the Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training Institution
in an initial or established accredited training program which
is in a physician specialty or subspecialty in a statewide
supply and demand deficit.~~

~~2. Notwithstanding the requirement that a new resident position
be created to receive funding under this subsection, the agency
may allocate \$100,000 to hospitals and qualifying institutions,
pursuant to subparagraph 1., for up to 100 resident positions
that existed before July 1, 2023, if such resident position:~~

~~a. Is in a physician specialty or subspecialty experiencing a
statewide supply and demand deficit;~~

~~b. Has been unfilled for a period of 3 or more years;~~

~~c. Is subsequently filled on or after June 1, 2024, and remains
filled thereafter; and~~

~~d. Is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate
Medical Education or the Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training
Institution in an initial or established accredited training
program.~~

~~3. If applications for resident positions under this paragraph
exceed the number of authorized resident positions or the~~

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~~available funding allocated, the agency shall prioritize applications for resident positions that are in a primary care specialty as specified in paragraph (2) (a).~~

~~(b) This program is designed to generate matching funds under Medicaid and distribute such funds to participating hospitals, qualifying institutions, and behavioral health teaching hospitals designated under s. 395.902, on a quarterly basis in each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made. Resident positions created under this subsection are not eligible for concurrent funding pursuant to subsection (1).~~

~~(c) For purposes of this subsection, physician specialties and subspecialties, both adult and pediatric, in statewide supply and demand deficit are those identified as such in the General Appropriations Act.~~

~~(d) Funds allocated pursuant to this subsection may not be used for resident positions that have previously received funding pursuant to subsection (1).~~ This paragraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 27. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 250 and 254 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (9) is added to section 393.066, Florida Statutes, to read:

393.066 Community services and treatment.—

(9) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall continue the monthly reimbursement rate, originally established effective October 1, 2025, in the Florida Medicaid Developmental Disabilities Individual Budgeting Waiver Services Provider Rate

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1045 Table for Life Skills Development Levels 3 and 4 services
1046 provided to recipients who attend such services for at least 16
1047 days during a calendar month. Providers shall continue to be
1048 reimbursed at the existing hourly rate for recipients who attend
1049 fewer than 16 days during the calendar month. The agency shall
1050 maintain a methodology to monitor and evaluate the fiscal impact
1051 of this reimbursement methodology and shall submit quarterly
1052 reports to the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations,
1053 the chair of the House of Representatives Budget Committee, and
1054 the Executive Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and
1055 Budget detailing the fiscal impacts realized.

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1057 Section 28. The amendments to s. 393.066, Florida
1058 Statutes, made by this act expire July 1, 2027, and the text of
1059 those subsections shall revert to that in existence on June 30,
1060 2025, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than
1061 by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the
1062 extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions
1063 of text which expire pursuant to this section.

1064
1065 Section 29. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1066 272, 277, 278, 283, 288, and 289 of the 2026-2027 General
1067 Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292,
1068 Florida Statutes, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may
1069 submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and
1070 objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to
1071 transfer funding from the Salaries and Benefits appropriation
1072 categories to categories used for contractual services in order
1073 to support additional staff augmentation resources needed at the

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Developmental Disability Centers. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 30. In order to implement section 62 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to request the appropriation of funds from the Lump Sum-Home and Community-Based Services Waiver category to address any deficits or funding shortfalls. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 31. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 339 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding subsections 409.990(4), 409.990(8), and section 409.9913, Florida Statutes, beginning Fiscal Year 2026-2027, lead agencies shall be funded using a methodology that is pursuant to Section 34 of chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, that directed the Department of Children and Families to develop a Tiered Funding Model for Community Based Care lead agencies, which, at a minimum:

- (a) Is actuarially sound.
- (b) Uses a Per Child Per Month reimbursement-based rate.
- (c) Considers fixed and variable costs for operations, such as but not limited to administration, case management and other staffing related costs.
- (d) Is scaled regionally for cost-of-living factors.

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(e) Is designed to incentivize efficient and effective lead agency operation, prevention, family preservation, and permanency.

The lead agencies shall submit any detailed cost, expenditure and census data that the department requests for the implementation of the Tiered Funding Model.

The department shall submit quarterly reports to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than 45 days after the end of each quarter which includes expenditure and census data that is pursuant to the Tiered Funding Model and provides visibility on the implementation and expected outcomes of the model by each Community Based Care Lead Agency.

By December 1, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which includes recommendations for adjustments to the funding methodology for the next fiscal year that continues the Tiered Funding Model approach but proposes further enhancements to the model that may strengthen operational and financial outcomes. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 32. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 295 through 390 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Children and Families may submit budget

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amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget
authority to support the following federal grant programs: the
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Grant Program, the Pandemic
Electronic Benefit Transfer, the American Rescue Plan Grant, the
State Opioid Response Grant, the Substance Use Prevention and
Treatment Block Grant, the Chafee Grant for Independent Living
Services, Education and Traditional Voucher Grant, Title IV-B
Subparts 1 and 2 Grants, Elder Justice Act, STOP Violence
Against Women Grant, the Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing
Grant, and the Mental Health Block Grant. This section expires
July 1, 2027.

Section 33. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
490 through 499 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act,
subsection (17) of section 381.986, Florida Statutes, is amended
to read:

381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—

(17) Rules adopted pursuant to this section before July 1, 2027
~~2026~~, are not subject to ss. 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541. This
subsection expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 34. Effective July 1, 2026, upon the expiration and
reversion of the amendments made to subsection (1) of section 14
of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, pursuant to section 15 of
chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, and in order to implement
Specific Appropriations 490 through 499 of the 2025-2026 General

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Appropriations Act, subsection (1) of section 14 of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

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

(1) EMERGENCY RULEMAKING.—

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

(b) For emergency rules adopted under this section, the department and the applicable boards need not make the findings required by s. 120.54(4)(a), Florida Statutes. Emergency rules adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541, Florida Statutes. The department and the applicable boards shall meet the procedural requirements in s. 120.54(4)(a) ~~s.120.54(a)~~, Florida Statutes, if the department or the applicable boards have, before July 1, 2019, ~~the effective date~~

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1190 ~~of this act~~, held any public workshops or hearings on the
1191 subject matter of the emergency rules adopted under this
1192 subsection. Challenges to emergency rules adopted under this
1193 subsection are subject to the time schedules provided in s.
1194 120.56(5), Florida Statutes.

1195 (c) Emergency rules adopted under this section are exempt
1196 from s. 120.54(4)(c), Florida Statutes, and shall remain in
1197 effect until replaced by rules adopted under the nonemergency
1198 rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedures Act.
1199 Rules adopted under the nonemergency rulemaking procedures of
1200 the Administrative Procedures Act to replace emergency rules
1201 adopted under this section are exempt from ss. 120.54(3)(b) and
1202 120.541, Florida Statutes. By July 1, 2027 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the
1203 department and the applicable boards shall initiate nonemergency
1204 rulemaking pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act to
1205 replace all emergency rules adopted under this section by
1206 publishing a notice of rule development in the Florida
1207 Administrative Register. Except as provided in paragraph (a),
1208 after July 1, 2027 ~~January 1, 2018~~, the department and
1209 applicable boards may not adopt rules pursuant to the emergency
1210 rulemaking procedures provided in this section.

1211
1212 Section 35. The amendments to subsection (1) of section 14
1213 of chapter 2017-232, Laws of Florida, made by this act expire
1214 July 1, 2027, and the text of that subsection shall revert to
1215 that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments
1216 to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved
1217 and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are
1218 not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to

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this section.

Section 36. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 465 and 467 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Health may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and the Federal Nutrition Programs if additional federal revenues will be expended in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 37. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 476 and 526 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Health may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment Program if additional revenues specific to HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment become available in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 38. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 432 through 593 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Health may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the

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department if additional federal revenues specific to COVID-19 relief funds become available in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 39. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 406 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Elder Affairs may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the United States Department of Agriculture's Adult Care Food Program if additional federal revenues will be expended in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 40. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 404 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Elder Affairs may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for the Older Americans Act if additional federal revenues will be expended in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 41. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 594 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding chapter 216, Florida Statutes, the Department of Veterans' Affairs may submit budget amendments, subject to Legislative Budget Commission approval, requesting the authority

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1277 to establish positions in excess of the number authorized by the
1278 Legislature, increase appropriations from the Operations and
1279 Maintenance Trust Fund, or provide a necessary salary rate
1280 sufficient to provide for essential staff for veterans' nursing
1281 homes, if the department projects that additional direct care
1282 staff are needed to meet its established staffing ratio. This
1283 section expires July 1, 2027.

1284
1285 Section 42. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
1286 594 through 604 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, the
1287 Department of Veterans' Affairs may submit budget amendments
1288 pursuant to chapter 216 Florida Statutes, subject to federal
1289 approval, requesting additional spending authority to support
1290 the development and construction of a new State Veterans Nursing
1291 Home and Adult Day Health Care Center in Collier County. This
1292 section expires July 1, 2027.

1293
1294 Section 43. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1295 626 through 718 and 742 through 782 of the 2026-2027 General
1296 Appropriations Act, subsection (4) of section 216.262, Florida
1297 Statutes, is amended to read:

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1299 216.262 Authorized positions.—

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1301 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter relating to
1302 increasing the number of authorized positions, and for the 2026-
1303 2027 ~~2025-2026~~ fiscal year only, if the actual inmate population
1304 of the Department of Corrections exceeds the inmate population
1305 projections of the July 30, February 21, 2025, Criminal Justice

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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, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 44. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 3340 through 3409 of the 2026-2027 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 2026-2027 ~~2025-2026~~ General Appropriations Act. If the Chief Justice accesses the loan, he or she must notify the Governor ~~and the~~

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1335 ~~chairs of the legislative appropriations committees,~~ the chairs
1336 of the Senate Appropriation Committee and the chair of the House
1337 Budget Committee in writing. The loan must come from other funds
1338 in the State Treasury which are for the time being or otherwise
1339 in excess of the amounts necessary to meet the just requirements
1340 of such last-mentioned funds. The Governor shall order the
1341 transfer of funds within 5 days after the written notification
1342 from the Chief Justice. If the Governor does not order the
1343 transfer, the Chief Financial Officer shall transfer the
1344 requested funds. The loan of funds from which any money is
1345 temporarily transferred must be repaid by the end of the 2026-
1346 2027 ~~2025-2026~~ fiscal year. This subsection expires July 1, 2027
1347 2026.

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1349 Section 45. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1350 1183 through 1196 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act:
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1352 (1) The Department of Juvenile Justice is required to review
1353 county juvenile detention payments to ensure that counties
1354 fulfill their financial responsibilities required in s.
1355 985.6865, Florida Statutes. If the Department of Juvenile
1356 Justice determines that a county has not met its obligations,
1357 the department shall direct the Department of Revenue to deduct
1358 the amount owed to the Department of Juvenile Justice from the
1359 funds provided to the county under s. 218.23, Florida Statutes.
1360 The Department of Revenue shall transfer the funds withheld to
1361 the Shared County/State Juvenile Detention Trust Fund.

1362 (2) As an assurance to holders of bonds issued by counties
1363 before July 1, 2026 ~~2025~~, for which distributions made pursuant

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to s. 218.23, Florida Statutes, are pledged, or bonds issued to refund such bonds which mature no later than the bonds they refunded and which result in a reduction of debt service payable in each fiscal year, the amount available for distribution to a county shall remain as provided by law and continue to be subject to any lien or claim on behalf of the bondholders. The Department of Revenue must ensure, based on information provided by an affected county, that any reduction in amounts distributed pursuant to subsection (1) does not reduce the amount of distribution to a county below the amount necessary for the timely payment of principal and interest when due on the bonds and the amount necessary to comply with any covenant under the bond resolution or other documents relating to the issuance of the bonds. If a reduction to a county's monthly distribution must be decreased in order to comply with this section, the Department of Revenue must notify the Department of Juvenile Justice of the amount of the decrease, and the Department of Juvenile Justice must send a bill for payment of such amount to the affected county. (3) This section expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 46. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 793 through 817, 978 through 1101, and 1146 through 1182 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 52 of chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (2), paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsections (5), (6), and (7) of section 27.40, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

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

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

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

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(3) In using a registry:

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

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

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

(5) The Justice Administrative Commission shall approve uniform contract forms for use in procuring the services of private court-appointed counsel and uniform procedures and forms for use by a court-appointed attorney in support of billing for

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

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

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

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

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are subject to review by the Justice Administrative Commission and audit by the Auditor General, subject to the attorney-client privilege and work-product privilege. The attorney shall maintain the records and documents in a manner that enables the attorney to redact any information subject to a privilege in order to facilitate the commission's review of the records and documents and not to impede such review. The attorney may redact information from the records and documents only to the extent necessary to comply with the privilege. The Justice Administrative Commission shall review such records and shall contemporaneously document such review before authorizing payment to an attorney. Objections by or on behalf of the Justice Administrative Commission to records or documents or to claims for payment by the attorney shall be presumed correct by the court unless the court determines, in writing, that competent and substantial evidence exists to justify overcoming the presumption.

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

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

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Section 47. The text of s. 27.40(1), (2)(a), (3)(a), (5), (6), and (7), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2019-116, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~, and the text of those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable, shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 48. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 793 through 817, 978 through 1101, and 1146 through 1182 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 54 of chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, subsection (13) of section 27.5304, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsections (1), (3), (6), (7), and (11), and paragraphs (a) through (e) of subsection (12) of that section are reenacted, to read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(7) Counsel eligible to receive compensation from the state for representation pursuant to court appointment made in accordance with the requirements of s. 27.40(1) and (2)(a) in a proceeding under chapter 384, chapter 390, chapter 392, chapter 393,

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chapter 394, chapter 397, chapter 415, chapter 743, chapter 744, or chapter 984 shall receive compensation not to exceed the limits prescribed in the General Appropriations Act. Any such compensation must be determined as provided in s. 27.40(7).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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telephonic or other communication equipment. The Justice Administrative Commission may contract with other public or private entities or individuals to appear before the court for the purpose of contesting any motion for an order approving payment of attorney fees, costs, or related expenses. The fact that the Justice Administrative Commission has not objected to any portion of the billing or to the sufficiency of the documentation is not binding on the court.

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

(e) Any order granting relief under this subsection must be attached to the final request for a payment submitted to the

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Justice Administrative Commission and must satisfy the requirements of subparagraph (b)2.

(13) Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in subsection (5) and for the 2026-2027 ~~2025-2026~~ fiscal year only, the compensation for representation in a criminal proceeding may not exceed the following:

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

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

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

(d) For capital cases represented at the trial level: \$25,000.

For purposes of this paragraph, a "capital case" is any offense for which the potential sentence is death and the state has not waived seeking the death penalty.

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

(f) This subsection expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 49. The text of s. 27.5304(1), (3), (7), (11), and (12)(a)-(e), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2019-116, Laws of Florida, and the text of s. 27.5304(6), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2023- 240, Laws of Florida, by this act, expire July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~, and the text of those subsections and paragraphs, as applicable, shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2019, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

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Section 50. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1348 through 1353 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 908.1033, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

908.1033 Local Law Enforcement Immigration Grant Program.—

(3)(a) A local law enforcement agency may apply to the State Board of Immigration Enforcement to provide bonus payments for the agency's local law enforcement officers who participate in United States Department of Homeland Security at-large task force operations. The local law enforcement agency may apply for a bonus of up to \$1,000 for each local law enforcement officer employed within that agency. The local law enforcement agency must certify to the board that the local law enforcement officer participated in one or more operations and provide any information required by the board. Eligible participation does not include operations occurring solely at state correctional facilities or county detention facilities.

(b) The bonus payment shall be adjusted to include 7.65 percent for the officers' share of Federal Insurance Contribution Act tax on the bonus.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), and for the 2026-2027 ~~2025-2026~~ fiscal year, a local law enforcement agency may apply to the State Board of Immigration Enforcement to provide bonus payments for the agency's certified correctional officers under s. 943.10(2), who are a warrant service officer under 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. s. 1357 or an

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immigration officer under the jail enforcement model under 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. s. 1357. The local law enforcement agency may apply for a bonus of up to \$1,000 for each certified correctional officer employed with that county detention facility. The local law enforcement agency must certify to the board that the certified correctional officer acted in such capacity as a warrant service officer or an immigration officer under the jail enforcement model for at least 6 months preceding the application and provide any information required by the board. Eligible participation does not include operations occurring solely at state correctional facilities. This paragraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 51. In order to implement Section 129 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding Section 30(5) of Chapter Law 2025-1, Laws of Florida, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement shall revert and appropriate the unexpended balance of nonrecurring funds remaining on June 30, 2026, for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for the same purpose.

Section 52. 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 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (3) of section 215.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.18 Transfers between funds; limitation.—

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1825
1826 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and only with respect to a
1827 land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and
1828 Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection,
1829 the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1830 Commission, whenever there is a deficiency in a land acquisition
1831 trust fund which would render that trust fund temporarily
1832 insufficient to meet its just requirements, including the timely
1833 payment of appropriations from that trust fund, and other trust
1834 funds in the State Treasury have moneys that are for the time
1835 being or otherwise in excess of the amounts necessary to meet
1836 the just requirements, including appropriated obligations, of
1837 those other trust funds, the Governor may order a temporary
1838 transfer of moneys from one or more of the other trust funds to
1839 a land acquisition trust fund in the Department of Agriculture
1840 and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental
1841 Protection, the Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife
1842 Conservation Commission. Any action proposed pursuant to this
1843 subsection is subject to the notice, review, and objection
1844 procedures of s. 216.177, and the Governor shall provide notice
1845 of such action at least 7 days before the effective date of the
1846 transfer of trust funds, except that during July 2026 ~~2025~~,
1847 notice of such action shall be provided at least 3 days before
1848 the effective date of a transfer unless such 3-day notice is
1849 waived by the chair and vice-chair of the Legislative Budget
1850 Commission. Any transfer of trust funds to a land acquisition
1851 trust fund in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
1852 Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the
1853 Department of State, or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation

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Commission must be repaid to the trust funds from which the moneys were loaned by the end of the 2026-2027 ~~2025-2026~~ 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, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 53. (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 2026-2027 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

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1883 acquisition trust fund shall be calculated by dividing the
1884 appropriations from each of the land acquisition trust funds for
1885 the fiscal year by the total appropriations from the Land
1886 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department and the land
1887 acquisition trust funds within the Department of Agriculture and
1888 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1889 Wildlife Commission for the fiscal year. The department shall
1890 transfer the proportionate share of the revenues in the Land
1891 Acquisition Trust Fund within the department on a monthly basis
1892 to the appropriate land acquisition trust funds within the
1893 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department
1894 of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Commission and shall retain
1895 its proportionate share of the revenues in the Land Acquisition
1896 Trust Fund within the department. Total distributions to a land
1897 acquisition trust fund within the Department of Agriculture and
1898 Consumer Services, the Department of State, and the Fish and
1899 Wildlife Commission may not exceed the total appropriations from
1900 such trust fund for the fiscal year.

1901 (3) In addition, the department shall transfer from the Land
1902 Acquisition Trust Fund to land acquisition trust funds within
1903 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the
1904 Department of State, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
1905 Commission amounts equal to the difference between the amounts
1906 appropriated in chapter 2025-198, Laws of Florida, to the
1907 department's Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the other land
1908 acquisition trust funds, and the amounts actually transferred
1909 between those trust funds during the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

1910 (4) The department may advance funds from the beginning
1911 unobligated fund balance in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to

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the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission needed for cash flow purposes based on a detailed expenditure plan. The department shall prorate amounts transferred quarterly to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to recoup the amount of funds advanced by June 30, 2027.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 54. In order to implement section 46 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (i) is added to subsection (13) of section 376.3071, Florida Statutes, to read:

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

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

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provision of law, consent order, order, judgment, or ordinance to the contrary.

(i) Notwithstanding this section, for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, program deductibles and copayments may not be assessed, monetary caps may not be enforced, and all costs for activities described in this subsection must be absorbed at the expense of the Inland Protection Trust Fund, without recourse to reimbursement or recovery, with the following exceptions:

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

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

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

This paragraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 55. In order to implement section 46 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, present subsection (5) of section 376.3072, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as

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subsection (6), and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

376.3072 Florida Petroleum Liability and Restoration Insurance Program.

(5) Notwithstanding subsections (1)-(4), for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, program deductibles or copayments may not be assessed, monetary caps may not be enforced, and all costs for activities described in this section must be absorbed at the expense of the Inland Protection Trust Fund, without recourse to reimbursement or recovery, with the following exceptions:

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

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

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

This subsection expires July 1, 2027.

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Section 56. In order to implement section 46 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 89 of chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, paragraph (g) of subsection (15) of section 376.3071, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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

(15) ETHANOL OR BIODIESEL DAMAGE; PREVENTIVE MEASURES.—

The department shall pay, pursuant to this subsection, up to \$10 million each fiscal year from the fund for the costs of labor and equipment to repair or replace petroleum storage systems that may have been damaged due to the storage of fuels blended with ethanol or biodiesel, or for preventive measures to reduce the potential for such damage.

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

1. Proposal costs or costs related to preparation of the application and required documentation;
2. Certified public accountant costs;
3. Except as provided in paragraph (j), any costs in excess of the amount approved by the department under paragraph (b) or which are not in substantial compliance with the purchase order;
4. Costs associated with storage tanks, piping, or ancillary equipment that has previously been repaired or replaced for which costs have been paid under this section;

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

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

Section 57. The amendment to s. 376.3071(15)(g), Florida Statutes, as carried forward from chapter 2020-114, Laws of Florida, by this act, expires July 1, 2027, and the text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on July 1, 2020, but not including any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portion of text which expires pursuant to this section.

Section 58. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1715 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (m) is added to subsection (3) of section 259.105, Florida Statutes, 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:

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(m) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a)-(j) and for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the proceeds shall be distributed as provided in the General Appropriations Act. This paragraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 59. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1715 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 92 of chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, section 380.5105, Florida Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

380.5105 The Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts; Florida Forever program.

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

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

1. Within a municipality with a population less than 30,000;
2. Within a municipality or area under intense growth and

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development pressures, as evidenced by a number of factors, including a determination that the municipality's growth rate exceeds the average growth rate for the state;

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

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

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

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

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

(d) Grant awards, acquisition approvals, and terms of less-than-fee acquisitions shall be approved by the trust. Waterfront communities that receive grant awards must submit annual progress reports to the trust identifying project activities which are complete, and the progress achieved in meeting the goals outlined in the project application. The trust must

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2111 implement a process to monitor and evaluate the performance of
2112 grant recipients in completing projects that are funded through
2113 the working waterfronts program.

2114 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it is
2115 the intent of the Legislature that the Department of
2116 Environmental Protection shall administer the working
2117 waterfronts capital outlay grant program as set forth in this
2118 section to support the commercial fishing industry and marine
2119 aquaculture industries, including the infrastructure for
2120 receiving or unloading seafood for the purpose of supporting the
2121 seafood economy.

2122 (a) The working waterfronts capital outlay grant program is
2123 created to provide funding to assist commercial saltwater
2124 products or commercial saltwater wholesale dealer or retailer
2125 license holders and seafood houses in maintaining their
2126 operations.

2127 (b) Eligible costs and expenditures include fixed capital outlay
2128 and operating capital outlay, including, but not limited to, the
2129 repair and maintenance or replacement of equipment, the repair
2130 and maintenance or replacement of water-adjacent facilities or
2131 infrastructure, and the construction or renovation of shore-side
2132 facilities.

2133 (c) The applicant must demonstrate a benefit to the local
2134 economy.

2135 (d) Grant recipients must submit annual progress reports to the
2136 department identifying project activities that are complete and
2137 the progress achieved in meeting the goals outlined in the
2138 project application.

2139 (e) The department shall implement a process to monitor and

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2140 evaluate the performance of grant recipients in completing
2141 projects funded through the program.

2142
2143 Section 60. The text of s. 380.5105, Florida Statutes, as
2144 carried forward from chapter 2025-199, Laws of Florida, by this
2145 act expire July 1, 2027, and the text of that section shall
2146 revert to that in existence on June 30, 2024, except that any
2147 amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be
2148 preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such
2149 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of text which
2150 expire pursuant to this section.

2151
2152 Section 61. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2153 1951 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act and
2154 notwithstanding s. 823.11(4)(c), Florida Statutes, the Fish and
2155 Wildlife Conservation Commission may use funds appropriated for
2156 the derelict vessel removal program for grants to local
2157 governments or to remove, store, destroy, and dispose of, or to
2158 pay private contractors to remove, store, destroy, and dispose
2159 of, derelict vessels or vessels declared a public nuisance
2160 pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), Florida Statutes. This section
2161 expires July 1, 2027.

2162
2163 Section 62. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
2164 1660, 1763, 1767, 1776, 1777, 1798, 1811, and 1856 of the 2026-
2165 2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181
2166 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Agriculture and
2167 Consumer Services and the Department of Environmental Protection
2168 may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and

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objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, at least 3 days before the effective date of the action to increase budget authority. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 63. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1774 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (9) is added to section 403.0673, Florida Statutes to read:

(9) For the 2026-27 Fiscal Year, and notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (4), (5), (6), and (10), the department shall dedicate at least \$100 million of the revenues for priority projects to improve water quality in the Indian River Lagoon and to improve the water quality in Biscayne Bay. This subsection expires July 1, 2027.

Section 64. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1740 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act and notwithstanding sections 373.475 and 403.890, Florida Statutes, the Department of Environmental Protection shall use the funds for Harmful Algal Bloom Management in Lake Okeechobee. This subsection expires July 1, 2027.

Section 65. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 1768 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (11) of section 380.0555, Florida Statutes to read:

(11) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS.—Beginning in the 2023-2024 fiscal year and continuing through the 2027-2028 fiscal year, the Department of Environmental Protection may expend up to \$510

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million, or an amount provided in the General Appropriations Act, each fiscal year for the purpose of entering into financial assistance agreements with Franklin County or the City of Apalachicola to implement projects that improve surface water and groundwater quality within the Apalachicola Bay Area of Critical State Concern, including the construction of stormwater management facilities and central sewage collection facilities, installation of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, direct and indirect potable reuse, building projects that protect, restore, or enhance nearshore water quality and fisheries, land acquisition within the Apalachicola River Watershed and other water quality and water supply projects located within the Apalachicola Bay Area of Critical State Concern. ~~This subsection expires on June 30, 2028.~~ This subsection expires July 1, 2027.

Section 66. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 1586, 1750, and 1929 through 1952 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, the Department of Environmental Protection is appropriated nonoperating budget authority in the Coastal Protection Trust Fund, the Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 67. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2725 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section 112.061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

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

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

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

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

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3. This paragraph expires July 1, 2027 ~~2025~~.

Section 68. Subsection (2) of section 282.201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(2) USE OF THE STATE DATA CENTER.—

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

(b) The Division of Emergency Management is exempt from the use of the state data center. This paragraph expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

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2285 Section 69. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
2286 2759 through 2763 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act,
2287 and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes,
2288 the Division of Emergency Management may submit budget
2289 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
2290 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget
2291 authority for projected expenditures due to reimbursements from
2292 federally declared disasters. This section expires July 1, 2027.
2293

2294 Section 70. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
2295 2381 and 2384 through 2388 of the 2026-2027 General
2296 Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292,
2297 Florida Statutes, the Department of Commerce may submit budget
2298 amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection
2299 procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget
2300 authority for projected expenditures related to disaster
2301 recovery activities funded by federal awards received under the
2302 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program, and
2303 community assistance activities for low-income Floridians funded
2304 by federal awards received under the Community Services Block
2305 Grant, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Low-Income
2306 Household Water Program and the Weatherization Assistance
2307 Program. This section expires July 1, 2027.
2308

2309 Section 71. In order to implement sections 142 and 147 of
2310 the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding
2311 ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of
2312 Commerce may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice,
2313 review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida

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Statutes, to increase budget authority for projected expenditures related to broadband internet development projects funded by federal awards received under the Capital Projects Fund, the Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) Program. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 72. Notwithstanding section 12 of chapter 2023-349, Laws of Florida, the unexpended balance of funds appropriated to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for the Hurricane Housing Recovery Program for eligible counties and municipalities based on the impacts of Hurricane Idalia are redesignated for the 2026-2027 fiscal year to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for eligible counties and municipalities impacted by declared natural disasters in 2024 and 2025.

Section 73. For the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the funds appropriated for the grant program for Florida Panhandle counties shall be distributed pursuant to and for the purposes described in the proviso language associated with Specific Appropriation 2396. This subsection expires July 1, 2027.

Section 74. Notwithstanding the provisions of ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Commerce is authorized during the 2025-2026 fiscal year to request additional budget authority for the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program through budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection

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procedures set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 75. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2414 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding 331.372, Florida Statutes, Space Florida is authorized and shall use no less than \$5,000,000 of the amount provided in Specific Appropriation 2414 for projects related to wastewater capacity improvements in Brevard County that are in support of commercial space launch providers and projects. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 76. Notwithstanding the provisions of ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Commerce is authorized during the 2026-2027 fiscal year to request additional budget authority for the State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) through budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes.

Section 77. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2786 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and subsection (5) of section 321.04, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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

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2371 3) (b) For the 2026-2027 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year only, upon the
2372 request of the Governor, the Department of Highway Safety and
2373 Motor Vehicles shall assign one or more patrol officers to the
2374 office of the Lieutenant Governor for security services. This
2375 paragraph expires July 1, 2027 ~~2025~~.

2376 (5) For the 2026-2027 ~~2024-2025~~ fiscal year only, the assignment
2377 of a patrol officer by the department shall include a Cabinet
2378 member specified in s. 4, Art. IV of the State Constitution if
2379 deemed appropriate by the department or in response to a threat
2380 and upon written request of such Cabinet member. This subsection
2381 expires July 1, 2027 ~~2025~~.

2382
2383 Section 78. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2384 2826, funds are provided for pay increases for the following job
2385 classifications: Records Specialist (Class Code 0130),
2386 Regulatory Consultant (Class Code 0442), Regulatory Program
2387 Specialist (Class Code 0445), Training Manager - SES (Class Code
2388 1330), Operations and Management Consultant I - SES (Class Code
2389 2234), Consumer Services Consultant (Class Code 4012), Program
2390 Analyst II (Class Code 6845), Investigation Specialist II (Class
2391 Code 8318), HSMV Section Supervisor - SES (Class Code 9067),
2392 Operations Manager A - SES (Class Code 9121).

2393
2394 Section 79. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2395 2786, funds are provided for pay increases for the following job
2396 classifications: State Law Enforcement Dispatchers (Class Code
2397 8513), State Law Enforcement Dispatch Supervisors (Class Code
2398 2614) and Florida Highway Patrol Major (Class Code 8624, 8626,
2399 8631).

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Section 80. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2772, 2786, 2814, and 2826 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriation Act, funds are provided for pay increases for the following job classifications: Inspector Specialist (Class Code 2240), Legal Assistant (Class Code 3126), Senior Legal Assistant (Class Code 3127), Senior Attorney (Class Code 7738), Executive Senior Attorney (Class Code 7739), Chief Legal Counsel (Class Code 7741), Attorney Supervisor (Class Code 7743), Chief of Administrative Reviews - HSMV (Class Code 7917), Investigation Specialist II (Class Code 8318), General Counsel - HSMV (Class Code 8982), HSMV Field Supervisor - SES (Class Code 9016).

Section 81. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2055 through 2068, 2080 through 2090, 2092 through 2100, and 2138 through 2151 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (h) of subsection (7) of section 339.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(7) AMENDMENT OF THE ADOPTED WORK PROGRAM.—

(h)1. Any work program amendment that also adds a new project, or phase thereof, to the adopted work program in excess of \$3 million is subject to approval by the Legislative Budget Commission. Any work program amendment submitted under this paragraph must include, as supplemental information, a list of projects, or phases thereof, in the current 5-year adopted work

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program which are eligible for the funds within the appropriation category being used for the proposed amendment. The department shall provide a narrative with the rationale for not advancing an existing project, or phase thereof, in lieu of the proposed amendment.

2. If the department submits an amendment to the Legislative Budget Commission and the commission does not meet or consider the amendment within 30 days after its submittal, the chair and vice chair of the commission may authorize the amendment to be approved pursuant to s. 216.177. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 82. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2057 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181, 216.292, and 339.135 Florida Statutes, the Department of Transportation may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority for projected expenditures related to transit development projects.

Section 83. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2083 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding section 215 of chapter 2023-239, Laws of Florida, the Department of Transportation is authorized to retain the interest earnings on funds appropriated to implement the Moving Florida Forward Plan. The interest earnings must be used by the department to implement the plan. This section expires July 1, 2027.

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Section 84. Funds in Specific Appropriation 2076 are provided for Keep Florida Litter Free in place of the Keep America Beautiful Statewide Affiliate outlined in section 403.709(1)(d), Florida Statutes. In place of the statewide affiliate, the Department shall coordinate with the Department of Environmental Protection on the campaign.

Section 85. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 2935 in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act in the Building Relocation appropriation category from the Architects Incidental Trust Fund of the Department of Management Services, and in accordance with s. 215.196, Florida Statutes:

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

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

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2487 (3) This section expires July 1, 2027.

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2489 Section 86. In order to implement Specific Appropriation
2490 2935 in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and
2491 notwithstanding s. 255.25(3)(a), Florida Statutes, the
2492 Department of Management Services, the Executive Office of the
2493 Governor, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Chief Financial
2494 Officer, and the Attorney General are authorized to enter into a
2495 lease as a lessee not to exceed 24 months for the use of space
2496 in a privately owned building, even if such space is 5,000
2497 square feet or more, without having to advertise or receive
2498 competitive solicitations. This section expires July 1, 2027.

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2500 Section 87. In order to implement appropriations in the
2501 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act for state employee travel
2502 and notwithstanding s. 112.061, Florida Statutes, costs for
2503 lodging associated with a meeting, conference, or convention
2504 organized or sponsored in whole or in part by a state agency or
2505 the judicial branch may not exceed \$225 per day. An employee may
2506 expend his or her own funds for any lodging expenses in excess
2507 of \$225 per day. For purposes of this section, a meeting does
2508 not include travel activities for conducting an audit,
2509 examination, inspection, or investigation or travel activities
2510 related to litigation or emergency response. This section
2511 expires July 1, 2027.

2512
2513 Section 88. In order to implement appropriations relating
2514 to the purchase of equipment and services related to the
2515 Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS) as authorized in

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the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s. 287.057, Florida Statutes, state agencies and other eligible users of the SLERS network may use the Department of Management Services SLERS contract for purchase of equipment and services. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 89. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2954 through 2965 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code, the transaction fee as identified in s. 287.057(24)(c), Florida Statutes, shall be collected for use of the online procurement system and is 0.7 percent for the 2026-2027 fiscal year only. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 90. In order to implement appropriations in the 2026-2027 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 2026-2027 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

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purposes, emergency management activities, or public health activities. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 91. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 3084 through 3092 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (11) is added to subsection (6) of section 627.351, Florida Statutes, to read:

627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans.—

(6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION.—

(II)1. In addition to any other method of alternative dispute resolution authorized by state law, the corporation may adopt policy forms that provide for the resolution of disputes regarding its claim determinations, including disputes regarding coverage for, or the scope and value of, a claim, in a proceeding before the Division of Administrative Hearings. Any such policies are not subject to s. 627.70154. All proceedings in the Division of Administrative Hearings pursuant to such policies are subject to ss. 57.105 and 768.79 as if filed in the courts of this state and are not considered chapter 120 administrative proceedings. Rule 1.442, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, applies to any offer served pursuant to s. 768.79, except that, notwithstanding any provision in Rule 1.442, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, to the contrary, an offer shall not be served earlier than 10 days after filing the request for hearing with the Division of Administrative Hearings and shall not be served later than 10 days before the date set for the final hearing. The administrative law judge in such

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proceedings shall award attorney fees and other relief pursuant to ss. 57.105 and 768.79. The corporation may not seek, and the office may not approve, a maximum hourly rate for attorney fees. 2. The corporation may contract with the division to conduct proceedings to resolve disputes regarding its claim determinations as may be provided for in the applicable policies of insurance. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 92. In order to implement appropriations in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act for the acquisitions of motor vehicles, provided the funds for the purchase have been specifically appropriated, and notwithstanding chapter 287, Florida Statutes, relating to the purchase of motor vehicles from a state term contract, if an agency determines in writing that the vehicle is unavailable from a state term contract and cannot be delivered during the current appropriation period, state agencies may purchase vehicles without prior approval from the Department of Management Services, Division of State Purchasing, provided that the agency receives two or more written quotes or the agency is able to demonstrate the vehicle is equal to or less than the cost of a similar class of vehicle found on a state term contract. If less than two quotes are obtained, it must include a statement as to why additional quotes were not received. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 93. (1) In order to implement section 8 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, beginning July 1, 2026, and on the first day of each month thereafter, the Department of Management Services shall assess an administrative health

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insurance assessment to each state agency equal to the
employer's cost of individual employee health care coverage for
each vacant position within such agency eligible for coverage
through the Division of State Group Insurance. As used in this
section, the term "state agency" means an agency within the
State Personnel System, the Department of the Lottery, the
Justice Administrative Commission and all entities
administratively housed in the Justice Administrative
Commission, and the state courts system.

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

(3) The administrative health insurance assessment shall apply
to all vacant positions funded with state funds whether fully or
partially funded with state funds. Vacant positions partially
funded with state funds shall pay a percentage of the assessment
imposed in subsection (1) equal to the percentage share of state
funds provided for such vacant positions. No assessment shall
apply to vacant positions fully funded with federal funds. Each
state agency shall provide the Department of Management Services

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2631 with a complete list of position numbers that are funded, or
2632 partially funded, with federal funding, and include the
2633 percentage of federal funding for each position no later than
2634 July 31, 2026, and shall update the list on the last day of each
2635 month thereafter. For federally funded vacant positions, or
2636 partially funded vacant positions, each state agency shall
2637 immediately take steps to include the administrative health
2638 insurance assessment in its indirect cost plan for the 2026-2027
2639 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter. A state agency
2640 shall notify the Department of Management Services, the
2641 Executive Office of the Governor, and the chair of the Senate
2642 Committee on Appropriations and the chair of the House of
2643 Representatives Budget Committee, upon approval of the updated
2644 indirect cost plan. If the state agency is not able to obtain
2645 approval from its federal awarding agency, the state agency must
2646 notify the Department of Management Services, the Executive
2647 Office of the Governor, and the appropriation chairs no later
2648 than January 15, 2027.

2649 (4) Pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of
2650 s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the
2651 Governor may transfer budget authority appropriated in the
2652 Salaries and Benefits appropriation category between agencies in
2653 order to align the appropriations granted with the assessments
2654 that must be paid by each agency to the Department of Management
2655 Services for the administrative health insurance assessment.

2656 (5) This section expires July 1, 2027.
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Section 94. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 3112 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, section 250.13, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

250.13 National Guard Healthcare Insurance Reimbursement Program. -

(1) The Florida National Guard Healthcare Insurance Reimbursement Program is established within the Department of Military Affairs. The purpose of this program is to assist servicemembers with premium-covered TRICARE Reserve Select healthcare insurance to increase the overall operational readiness and availability of Florida National Guard personnel for all state and federal missions.

(2) Soldiers and Airmen, who are members of the Florida National Guard may voluntarily apply to the Department of Military Affairs to participate in the program. The Department of Military Affairs is responsible for management of the program and establishment of procedures for managing all aspects of the program, including, but not limited to, eligibility, application, and participation.

(3) The Adjutant General may provide a monthly reimbursement, no more than the cost of the individual member premium for TRICARE Reserve Select, to all soldiers and airmen, who are not on active federal orders for more than 30 days and in good standing that are:

(a) A member of the Florida National Guard;

(b) Eligible for TRICARE Reserve Select coverage;

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(c) Not eligible for health insurance coverage through a civilian employer; and

(d) With a household income at or below three times the federal poverty rate.

(4) Implementation of the Florida National Guard Healthcare Insurance Reimbursement Program is subject to annual legislative appropriations. If funding for the Program will be exhausted before the end of the fiscal year, the Adjutant General must cease monthly reimbursements. The Florida National Guard Healthcare Insurance Reimbursement Program does not constitute an entitlement.

(5) This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 95. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 3113 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, section 250.245, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

250.245 Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment and Enhancement Program. -

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

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

(a) "retained Soldier or Airmen" means any current enlisted member of the Florida National Guard who re-enlists in the

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Florida National Guard within six months of their expiration term of service.

(3) The Adjutant General may compensate retained Soldiers and Airmen, E-6 and below, upon re-enlistment in the Florida National Guard, up to \$5,000 for a 3-year service obligation indicated in the Florida National Guard re-enlistment contract.

(a) The Adjutant General may prioritize the re-enlistment incentive based upon Florida National Guard service needs.

(4) The Department of Military Affairs, in cooperation with the Florida National Guard, may adopt rules to administer the program.

(5) Implementation of the Florida National Guard Joint Enlistment and Enhancement Program is subject to annual legislative appropriations.

(6) This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 96. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 3023 of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding ss. 216.181 and 216.292, Florida Statutes, the Department of Management Services may submit budget amendments, subject to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, to increase budget authority in the Centrex and SUNCOM Payments appropriation category if additional authority is needed pursuant to s 282.703, Florida Statutes, in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 97. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 2424 through 2426 and Section 56 of the 2026-2027 General

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Appropriations Act, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 215.5586, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.5586 My Safe Florida Home Program.—There is established within the Department of Financial Services the My Safe Florida Home Program. The department shall provide fiscal accountability, contract management, and strategic leadership for the program, consistent with this section. This section does not create an entitlement for property owners or obligate the state in any way to fund the inspection or retrofitting of residential property in this state. Implementation of this program is subject to annual legislative appropriations. It is the intent of the Legislature that, subject to the availability of funds, the My Safe Florida Home Program provide licensed inspectors to perform hurricane mitigation inspections of eligible homes and grants to fund hurricane mitigation projects on those homes. The department shall implement the program in such a manner that the total amount of funding requested by accepted applications, whether for inspections, grants, or other services or assistance, does not exceed the total amount of available funds. If, after applications are processed and approved, funds remain available, the department may accept applications up to the available amount. The program shall develop and implement a comprehensive and coordinated approach for hurricane damage mitigation pursuant to the requirements provided in this section.

(2) HURRICANE MITIGATION GRANTS.—Financial grants shall be used by homeowners to make improvements recommended by an inspection which increase resistance to hurricane damage.

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(a) A homeowner is eligible for a hurricane mitigation grant if all of the following criteria are met:

1. The home must be eligible for an inspection under subsection (1).

2. The home must be a dwelling with an insured value of \$700,000 or less. Homeowners who are low-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004(11), are exempt from this requirement.

3. The home must undergo an acceptable hurricane mitigation inspection as provided in subsection (1).

4. The building permit application for initial construction of the home must have been made before January 1, 2008.

5. The homeowner must agree to make his or her home available for inspection once a mitigation project is completed.

6. The homeowner must agree to provide to the department information received from the homeowner's insurer identifying the discounts realized by the homeowner because of the mitigation improvements funded through the program.

7. The eligibility requirements of this subparagraph apply only to grants awarded with newly appropriated funds in specific appropriation 2425 of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act.

a. The home must be a dwelling located in the "wind-borne debris region" as that term is defined in the Florida Building Code.

b. The hurricane mitigation inspection must have occurred within the previous 24 months from the date of application.

c. Notwithstanding subparagraph 2., homeowners who are who are low-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004(11), are not exempt from the requirement that the home must be a dwelling with an insured value of \$700,000 or less.

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d. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2027.

8. The eligibility requirements of this subparagraph apply only to grants awarded with funds reverted and reappropriated in Section 56 of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act.

a. The homeowner must be a low-income person or moderate-income person as defined in s. 420.0004.

b. The hurricane mitigation inspection must have occurred within the previous 24 months from the date of application.

c. Notwithstanding subparagraph 2., homeowners who are low-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004(11), are not exempt from the requirement that the home must be a dwelling with an insured value of \$700,000 or less.

d. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2027.

Section 98. In order to implement the transfer of moneys to the General Revenue Fund from trust funds in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 General Appropriations Act, 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.

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2830 Upon the request of the state agency or branch of state
2831 government responsible for the administration of the trust fund,
2832 the Chief Financial Officer may establish accounts within the
2833 trust fund at a level considered necessary for proper
2834 accountability. Once an account is established, the Chief
2835 Financial Officer may authorize payment from that account only
2836 upon determining that there is sufficient cash and releases at
2837 the level of the account.

2838 2. In addition to other trust funds created by law, to the
2839 extent possible, each agency shall use the following trust funds
2840 as described in this subparagraph for day-to-day operations:

2841 a. Operations or operating trust fund, for use as a depository
2842 for funds to be used for program operations funded by program
2843 revenues, with the exception of administrative activities when
2844 the operations or operating trust fund is a proprietary fund.

2845 b. Operations and maintenance trust fund, for use as a
2846 depository for client services funded by third-party payors.

2847 c. Administrative trust fund, for use as a depository for funds
2848 to be used for management activities that are departmental in
2849 nature and funded by indirect cost earnings and assessments
2850 against trust funds. Proprietary funds are excluded from the
2851 requirement of using an administrative trust fund.

2852 d. Grants and donations trust fund, for use as a depository for
2853 funds to be used for allowable grant or donor agreement
2854 activities funded by restricted contractual revenue from private
2855 and public nonfederal sources.

2856 e. Agency working capital trust fund, for use as a depository
2857 for funds to be used pursuant to s. 216.272.

2858 f. Clearing funds trust fund, for use as a depository for funds

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to account for collections pending distribution to lawful recipients.

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 State School Trust Fund, 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

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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 99. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Risk Management Insurance" in the 2026-2027 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, 2027.

Section 100. In order to implement the appropriation of funds in the appropriation category "Special Categories-Transfer

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2917 to Department of Management Services-Human Resources Services
2918 Purchased per Statewide Contract" in the 2026-2027 General
2919 Appropriations Act, and pursuant to the notice, review, and
2920 objection procedures of s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, the
2921 Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds appropriated
2922 in that category between departments in order to align the
2923 budget authority granted with the assessments that must be paid
2924 by each agency to the Department of Management Services for
2925 human resource management services. This section expires July 1,
2926 2027.

2927
2928 Section 101. In order to implement appropriations
2929 authorized in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act for data
2930 center services, and notwithstanding s. 216.292(2)(a), Florida
2931 Statutes, an agency may not transfer funds from a data
2932 processing category to a category other than another data
2933 processing category or a cloud computing category for
2934 information technology resources hosted outside of an agency.
2935 This section expires July 1, 2027.

2936
2937 Section 102. In order to implement the appropriation of
2938 funds in the appropriation category "Northwest Regional Data
2939 Center" in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, and
2940 pursuant to the notice, review, and objection procedures of s.
2941 216.177, Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor
2942 may transfer funds appropriated in that category between
2943 departments in order to align the budget authority granted based
2944 on the estimated costs for data processing services for the
2945 2026-2027 fiscal year. This section expires July 1, 2027.

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Section 103. In order to implement appropriations authorized in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act for state data center services, auxiliary assessments charged to state agencies related to contract management services provided to Northwest Regional Data Center shall not exceed 3 percent. This section expires July 1, 2027.

Section 104. In order to implement appropriations for state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of section 216.023, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

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

(a) The name of the technology system.

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

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

(d) The initiation date of the project.

(e) The key performance indicators for the project.

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

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status of the project.

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

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

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

For purposes of this subsection, an ongoing technology-related project is one which has been funded or has had or is expected to have expenditures in more than one fiscal year. An ongoing technology-related project does not include the continuance of existing hardware and software maintenance agreements, the renewal of existing software licensing agreements, or the replacement of desktop units with new technology that is substantially similar to the technology being replaced. This subsection expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 105. In order to implement the salaries and benefits, expenses, other personal services, contracted services, special categories, and operating capital outlay categories of the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, 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

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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 2026-2027 ~~2025-2024~~ fiscal year, the review shall ensure that transfers proposed pursuant to this paragraph comply

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with this chapter, maximize the use of available and appropriate trust funds, and are not contrary to legislative policy and intent. This subparagraph expires July 1, 2027 ~~2026~~.

Section 106. In order to implement the appropriations and reappropriation authorized in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, paragraph (d) of subsection (11) of section 216.181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.181 Approved budgets for operations and fixed capital outlay. —

(11) (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) and paragraph (2) (b), and for the ~~2025-2026~~2026-2027 fiscal year only, the Legislative Budget Commission may approve budget amendments for new fixed capital outlay projects or increase the amounts appropriated to state agencies for fixed capital outlay projects. This paragraph expires July 1, 2027~~2026~~.

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

Section 107. In order to implement appropriations for state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (7) of 216.013, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.013 Long-range program plan. —State agencies and the judicial branch shall develop long-range program plans to achieve state goals using an interagency planning process that includes the development of integrated agency program service

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outcomes. The plans shall be policy based, priority driven, accountable, and developed through careful examination and justification of all agency and judicial branch programs.

(7) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, each state executive agency and the judicial branch is not required to develop or post a long-range program plan by September 30, ~~2026~~2025, for the ~~2027-2028~~2026-2027 fiscal year, except in circumstances outlined in any updated written instructions prepared by the Executive Office of the Governor in consultation with the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees. This subsection expires July 1, ~~2027~~2026.

Section 108. In order to implement appropriations for state agencies and the judicial branch in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act, subsection (12) of 216.023 is added to read:

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

(12) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, each state executive agency and the judicial branch is not required to develop or post the agency-level unit cost summary by October 15, 2026, for the 2027-2028 fiscal year. This subsection expires July 1, 2027.

Section 109. Any section of this act which implements a specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language in the 2026-2027 General Appropriations Act is void if

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3091 the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso
3092 language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements
3093 more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of
3094 specifically identified proviso language in the 2026-2027
3095 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific
3096 appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso
3097 language are vetoed.

3098
3099 Section 110. If any other act passed during the 2026
3100 Regular Session of the Legislature contains a provision that is
3101 substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that
3102 removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied
3103 to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the
3104 provision in the other act takes precedence and continues to
3105 operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

3106
3107 Section 111. If any provision of this act or its
3108 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
3109 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of
3110 the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision
3111 or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are
3112 severable.

3113
3114 Section 112. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
3115 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
3116 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,
3117 2026, or, if this act fails to become a law until after that
3118 date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate
3119 retroactively to July 1, 2026.