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At a Special Session of the Florida Legislature convened under Article III, Section 3(c), of the Constitution of the State, as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, on Monday, October 22, 2001, in the State of Florida.

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## CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President McKay at 10:00 a.m. A quorum present—38:

Mr. President	Holzendorf	Pruitt
Brown-Waite	Jones	Rossin
Burt	King	Sanderson
Campbell	Klein	Saunders
Carlton	Latvala	Sebesta
Clary	Laurent	Silver
Constantine	Lawson	Smith
Cowin	Lee	Sullivan
Crist	Meek	Villalobos
Diaz de la Portilla	Miller	Wasserman Schultz
Futch	Mitchell	Webster
Garcia	Peaden	Wise
Geller	Posey	

Excused: Senator Dawson

## ELECTION OF NEW SENATORS

The Department of State notified the Secretary of the Senate that Senator Howard Futch, Melbourne Beach, had been elected on August 21, 2001, in a special general election as a Member of the Senate, filling the vacancy in District 18.

Senator Futch was administered the oath of office by the Honorable Charles T. Wells, Chief Justice, Florida Supreme Court, in the Senate chamber of the Historic Capitol on October 10, 2001.

The President appointed Senator Futch to the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; Criminal Justice; Finance and Taxation; and Regulated Industries.

The Department of State notified the Secretary of the Senate that Senator Stephen Wise, Jacksonville, had been elected on September 25, 2001, in a special general election as a Member of the Senate, filling the vacancy in District 6.

Senator Wise was administered the oath of office by the Honorable Charles T. Wells, Chief Justice, Florida Supreme Court, in the Senate chamber of the Historic Capitol on October 10, 2001.

The President appointed Senator Wise to the Committees on Agriculture and Consumer Services; Children and Families; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

## PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Karen Hagan, Executive Director of the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross:

Mighty God, creator of the universe, we acknowledge your protective and guiding hand today as we join together in a mission of unity and productivity in the face of challenges and obscurity.

Bless us, O God, as we work together to wage peace and dismantle hatred. May our compassion and interconnectedness be our strength and our hope for the future.

Please be with the world's most vulnerable people, O God. Bless those in crisis, those who have lost loved ones and those in need in our state, in our country and throughout the world. And bless those who protect our citizens and come to the aid of others. We thank you for the brave and caring individuals who reach beyond the confines of their homes and families to respond to the needs of those less fortunate. Be with the members of our armed forces and their families. Be with our leaders, our President, our Governor and our elected officials as they make monumental decisions and operate in the mode of servitude.

We ask for your protective and guiding hand as we move forward in decisive action to establish vitality and stability.

Help us to be visionaries who create the breakthrough and the human energy needed to propel us forward. May we crown our greatness with goodness and our bounty with brother and sisterhood.

Help us to maintain balance, stand up for democracy, show solidarity and move beyond the boundaries of individual gain as we search for the greater good. Help us to appreciate the diverse contribution of all that participate in making the decisions that will advance us to vital growth and progress.

Help us to understand the relationship between our internal strength and our economic capacity. Keep us creative, strong, competent and able to act with unified and determined effort.

Keep us ever mindful of the virtues that our country was built upon: compassion, perseverance, integrity, ingenuity and hard work: the traits that lie at the heart of our national character.

By your grace we will endure our trials and transform challenges into opportunities. We ask for safe and peaceful daily journeys for citizens of our state and people around the world. We ask for healing for the soul of America.

Protect us by thy might, Great God. Amen.

## HONOR GUARD

At the direction of the President, the Sergeant at Arms opened the doors of the chamber and the Adjutant General's Honor Guard from St. Augustine marched into the chamber bearing flags of the United States of America and the State of Florida.

The Honor Guard included the following members: Command Sergeant Major Warren Gamache, Master Sergeant Frank Morgan, Staff Sergeant Timothy Barfield, Staff Sergeant Jeffery Beck and Sergeant Michelle Rosenfeld.

## PLEDGE

Investigator Audie Rowell of the Tallahassee Police Department and Fire Driver Operators Byron Whitaker and Charles Dery of the Tallahassee Fire Department led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

## SPECIAL GUESTS

The President introduced the following guests who were present in the gallery: Tallahassee Police Chief Walter McNeil; and Major General Ronald O. Harrison, Adjutant General of Florida, Florida National Guard.

## ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT JOHN M. MCKAY

Good morning. First, let me welcome our new Senators. Senator Futch and Senator Wise, welcome to the Florida Senate. We look forward to your contributions to the Senate and the State of Florida.

We return to Tallahassee forever changed by the events of September 11th. Like the rest of the nation, Florida finds itself part of a dramatically changed world. We mourn for the victims of those tragic events and for their families, and we pray that they will find comfort in this time of uncertainty.

Our nation must protect its freedom by holding those who committed the atrocities of September 11th accountable.

Though our thoughts and prayers are with those families, and the brave men and women of our armed forces in the continuing conflicts, at this time we must focus our attention on the needs of our state. Our state must vow to work together to solve the effects that those events have had on both our economy and our security.

It is appropriate to begin this session by recognizing those who have served and protected Florida's citizens during recent events.

We are grateful for the effective leadership of Governor Bush and Lt. Governor Brogan.

Also, I would like to recognize others who have worked diligently to safeguard our employees and visitors to the Capitol Complex. They are:

Tim Moore and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement  
Scottie Sanderson and the Capitol Police  
Don Severance and his staff in the Senate Sergeant's Office  
Ernie Sumner and his staff in the House Sergeant's Office

We must also extend our appreciation for the contributions made by all law enforcement agencies, firefighters, emergency and health services personnel, the American Red Cross, and the countless numbers of unnamed volunteers. Thank you so very much for your efforts.

As we convene today, let us continue the Senate's tradition of bipartisan cooperation in resolving the challenges before us.

Last December, this body faced an unprecedented task following the presidential election. As we did then, let us conduct ourselves in a cautious and purposeful manner.

Many factors have led to our current economic situation. The attacks of September 11th had a dramatic negative effect on our economy. As a result, Florida's projected revenues have decreased by nearly 1.3 billion dollars.

That decrease clearly illustrates our over-dependence on the tourism portion of our economy and underscores the need for fundamental tax reform. But that revenue-neutral issue is one that deserves and requires the focus of the regular session.

Budget cuts must be made because raising taxes in a time when people are losing their jobs is not an option. Unfortunately, these cuts will not be just numbers on a spreadsheet. There are consequences to each one and they must be made in a thoughtful manner. We will prioritize our cuts. As a result, the impact on classrooms and health and human services can be minimized.

We are indebted to Senator Carlton, our Appropriations Chair, and to Senators Clary, Sullivan, Silver and Cowin, as well as to each member of the Appropriations Committee, for their commitment to this difficult task. I would also like to thank Elton Revell and his able staff for their hard work. Once again, their professionalism will see us through.

Our budget deficit has no political affiliation. I cannot overemphasize this point. It is simply the result of events beyond our control. Had the Legislature not cut the intangibles tax, those revenues would have, undoubtedly, been spent.

Ironically the most recent cut will assist us in our task. The Senate will address the intangibles tax issue and hold firm in its use of that revenue.

We will also work to address state security and economic development. I expect the Senate to provide solutions where consensus can be reached with both the House of Representatives and the Governor.

We must be cautious in our approach, as it would be imprudent to go too far afield with these complex issues during a short special session.

We will have ample opportunity to further address the areas where consensus can not be reached during our regular session beginning next January.

We face a difficult challenge. The safety, prosperity and well-being of our state is in our hands. It is a challenge none of us should undertake lightly and it will be difficult. We will resolve these issues while maintaining our respect for each other, as we work for the common good of the citizens we serve.

Florida has weathered other difficult times with strength and tenacity. Collectively, we will guide our state through this uncertain time and on to a strong recovery.

Now let's get to work.

By direction of the President, the Secretary read the following proclamation:

### PROCLAMATION

State of Florida  
Executive Office of the Governor  
Tallahassee

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA SENATE AND  
THE FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001 our country was struck by horrific acts of terror that took the innocent lives of thousands and injured many others, and that disrupted air transportation and the normal conduct of this nation's commercial and financial markets; and

WHEREAS, the economy and therefore the anticipated revenues of the State of Florida, as in the rest of the country, have been adversely affected by these acts of terror, and to the extent our economy relies on air transportation and tourism, Florida is uniquely impacted; and

WHEREAS, the Governor considers it necessary to reduce appropriations to offset the expected decline in revenues; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the State of Florida to call a Special Session so that the Legislature may give full and adequate consideration to the reduction of this fiscal year's appropriations in anticipation of decreased revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeb Bush, Governor of the State of Florida, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Article III, Section 3(c)(1), Florida Constitution, do hereby proclaim as follows:

Section 1.

That the Legislature of the State of Florida is convened in Special Session commencing at 9:00 a.m., Monday, October 22, 2001, and extending through 11:59 p.m., on Thursday, November 1, 2001.

Section 2.

That the Legislature of the State of Florida is convened for the sole and exclusive purpose of considering the reductions to this fiscal year's appropriations from the general revenues of the state that are needed to deal with the anticipated decline in revenue in the aftermath of these acts of terror.

Section 3.

That the committees of either house of the Legislature are authorized to consider legislation within the purview of this proclamation from this date forward.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed to this Proclamation convening the Legislature in Special Session at the Capitol, this 10th day of October, 2001.

Jeb Bush  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
Katherine Harris  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION**

On motion by Senator Brown-Waite, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following resolution was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

On motion by Senator Brown-Waite, by unanimous consent—

By Senators Brown-Waite, Silver, Holzendorf, Crist, Lawson, Jones, McKay, Burt, Campbell, Carlton, Clary, Constantine, Cowin, Dawson, Diaz de la Portilla, Dyer, Futch, Garcia, Geller, King, Klein, Latvala, Laurent, Lee, Meek, Miller, Mitchell, Peaden, Posey, Pruitt, Rossin, Sanderson, Saunders, Sebesta, Smith, Sullivan, Villalobos, Wasserman Schultz, Webster and Wise—

**SR 36-B**—A resolution expressing support for the U.S. Government and President George W. Bush and our Armed Forces in the war against terrorism; expressing sympathy for the victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and their families and friends; and saluting the heroic actions of men and women who have struggled to rescue the victims of the attacks.

WHEREAS, the September 11 terrorist attacks on our country have shocked and saddened us all and brought acute suffering to thousands of American families, and families throughout the world, who lost loved ones in these attacks, and

WHEREAS, these attacks and their subsequent devastation have presented striking new challenges to our country's people and their leadership, and

WHEREAS, the courage demonstrated by those on the front lines in the aftermath of these attacks, particularly the New York City firemen and policemen who risked, and in hundreds of cases lost, their lives attempting to rescue those in the World Trade Center Towers, has shown us the fortitude required in the struggle against terrorism, and

WHEREAS, the war against terrorism now being waged will require America's focus for many years, and

WHEREAS, the nature of this war differs from previous wars fought, and requires our firm determination now and in the future, and

WHEREAS, our national leaders have shown great resolve in the days since September 11, responding with wisdom and determination to safeguard our country from the immediate and long-range threats of terrorism against America through a program of worldwide diplomatic consen-

sus-building, with focused and aggressive military preparations, and with appropriate plans to protect the American Home Front, and

WHEREAS, we all must set an example for the American people and peoples everywhere in assuring our citizens of all faiths their right to worship peacefully, and

WHEREAS, the sacrifices that we must now make on behalf of this war against terrorism will challenge us all but will create a new ground for patriotic unity in our nation and for extended alliances with other nations who share our dream of a world free from terror and ideological oppression, and

WHEREAS, we stand united and resolved to win the war against terrorism and to banish terrorism's evil violence, NOW, THEREFORE,

*Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:*

That the Florida Senate sends its heartfelt condolences to the victims of the September 11 attacks and to their families and friends and its deep respect and appreciation to the heroic rescue workers, healthcare workers, volunteers, and officials, as well as to our military men and women and their families who will fall victim on the battlefield while serving our country, and affirms the policies set in place to recognize our common cause with people of all religions everywhere who oppose terrorism, and stands firm in its support for President Bush and the U.S. Government in the war against terrorism.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Brown-Waite, **SR 36-B** was read the second time in full and adopted.

**INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS**

**FIRST READING**

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Carlton, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Carlton—

**SB 2-B**—A bill to be entitled An act making appropriations; providing appropriations and reductions in appropriations for the 2001-2002 fiscal year, to pay salaries, and other expenses, capital outlay - buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of State government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Carlton, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Carlton—

**SB 4-B**—A bill to be entitled An act implementing the 2001-2002 supplemental appropriations act; amending s. 216.023, F.S.; providing directives for executive agencies and the judicial branch in adjusting performance measures and standards to respond to budgetary modifications; providing a directive to the Department of Juvenile Justice; amending s. 257.195, F.S.; prescribing guidelines with respect to appropriations for library grants and for the Division of Library and Information Services; limiting the use of funds for state-employee travel; providing an expiration date and an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Clary—

**SB 6-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the General Inspection Trust Fund; amending ss. 496.405, 496.409, 496.410, 496.419, F.S.; eliminating restrictions on the use of funds deposited into the General Inspection Trust Fund of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Cowin—

**SB 8-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the County Article V Trust Fund; amending s. 25.402, F.S.; saving the fund from expiration; clarifying duties of the Supreme Court with respect to use of the fund; allowing the use of funds for the operation of trial courts; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Cowin—

**SB 10-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the pilot program for attorneys ad litem for dependent children; amending s. 39.4086, F.S.; providing that the program be funded according to specific appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Cowin—

**SB 12-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposition of civil penalties; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; revising directives relating to distribution of civil penalties by county courts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Cowin—

**SB 14-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Crime Stoppers Trust Fund; amending s.16.555, F.S.; providing directives for use of moneys in the fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Cowin—

**SB 16-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund; amending s. 860.158, F.S.; providing directives for the use of moneys in the fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Sullivan—

**SB 18-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student financial assistance; amending s. 240.40201, F.S.; extending eligibility for accepting a Bright Futures scholarship; restricting the types of scholarship a Bright Futures Scholar may receive; amending s. 240.40202, F.S.; providing for initial acceptance of a scholarship, to conform; amending s. 240.40205, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; designating an award level for a Florida Academic Scholarship; amending s. 240.40206, F.S.; increasing the eligibility requirements for earning a Florida Merit Scholarship; designating an award level; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 240.40207, F.S.; increasing the eligibility requirements for earning the Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholarship; designating an award level; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 240.404, F.S.; providing certain limitations on eligibility for various state student grant programs; eliminating obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Sullivan—

**SB 20-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school district flexibility in the 2001-2002 fiscal year expenditure of specified funds appropriated in ch. 2001-253, Laws of Florida; providing for reports; providing for repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Carlton—

**SB 22-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to compensation of members of the Legislature; prescribing the salary rate for members; providing an expiration date and an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Clary—

**SB 24-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction of transportation facilities; amending s. 337.107, F.S.; allowing the Department of Transportation to include right-of-way services as part of design-build contracts; amending s. 337.11, F.S.; broadening the list of transportation projects that may be awarded as design-build contracts; specifying that construction of any portion of a project under a design-build contract may not begin until title to the necessary rights-of-way and easements for that portion has vested in the state or a local governmental entity and all railroad crossing and utility agreements have been executed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Silver—

**SB 26-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; revising the date by which certain rules relating to care for nursing home residents must be adopted; amending s. 409.903, F.S.; revising standards for eligibility for certain mandatory medical assistance; repealing s. 409.904(11), F.S., which provides eligibility of specified persons for certain optional medical assistance; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; revising standards for eligibility for certain optional medical assistance; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; eliminating adult denture services as an optional Medicaid service; limiting provision of certain hearing and visual services to recipients under age 21; revising prescribed drug services and methods of delivering those services; amending s. 409.9065, F.S.; prescribing additional eligibility standards with respect to pharmaceutical expense assistance; amending s. 409.907, F.S.; authorizing withholding of Medicaid payments in certain circumstances; prescribing additional requirements with respect to providers' submission of information; prescribing additional duties for the agency with respect to provider applications; amending s. 409.9116, F.S.; revising the disproportionate share programs for rural hospitals; eliminating financial assistance program for certain rural hospitals; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; revising the reimbursement rate to pharmacies for Medicaid prescribed drugs; amending s. 409.913, F.S.; prescribing additional sanctions that may be imposed upon a Medicaid provider; eliminating a limit on costs that may be recovered against a provider; amending s. 409.915, F.S.; revising the limit on a county's payment for certain Medicaid costs; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; revising pharmacy dispensing fees for Medicaid drugs; repealing s. 400.0225, F.S., relating to consumer-satisfaction surveys; amending s. 400.191, F.S.; eliminating a provision relating to consumer-satisfaction and family-satisfaction surveys; amending s. 400.235, F.S.; eliminating a provision relating to participation in the consumer-satisfaction process; repealing s. 400.148, F.S., relating to the Medicaid "Up-or-Out" Quality of Care Contract Management Program; amending s. 400.071, F.S.; eliminating a provision relating to participation in a consumer-satisfaction-measurement process; amending s. 409.815, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 28-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic stimulus; expressing the intent of the Legislature to enact policies to stimulate economic activity in the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; and Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 30-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic stimulus; providing legislative findings of economic hardship stemming from the terrorist attacks against the United States; expressing the intent of the Legislature to enact policies to stimulate economic activity in the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; and Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

**SB 32-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; expressing the intent of the Legislature to promote economic development, job creation, and economic well-being; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; and Appropriations.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Pruitt, Rossin, Villalobos, Campbell, Smith, Futch, Geller, Holzendorf, Dyer, Wasserman Schultz, Sullivan, Latvala, Saunders, Miller, Mitchell, Lawson, Dawson, Silver, Jones and King—

**SB 34-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxes on intangible personal property; amending s. 199.185, F.S.; reducing the amount of the exemptions provided to natural persons; deleting the exemption provided to other taxpayers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

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**SR 36-B**—Introduced and adopted this day.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Clary—

**SB 38-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Building Code; expressing the legislative intent to revise the laws relating to the Florida Building Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Burt—

**SB 40-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Disaster Volunteer Leave Act; amending s. 110.120, F.S.; authorizing the Governor and Cabinet to approve leave under the act for services in response to a disaster occurring within the boundaries of the United States; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor’s call:

By Senators Burt and Mitchell—

**SB 42-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance for persons called to active military duty; amending s. 627.6692, F.S.; specifying that the termination of employment of an employee after a period of active military duty constitutes a separate qualifying event for purposes of allowing the employee to elect to continue coverage under the employer’s group health plan; tolling the maximum time period for which coverage may be continued under an employer’s group health plan for an individual who has elected coverage and who is called to active military duty, for the time that the individual is covered under the federal TRICARE health care program; providing a time period within which the individual may elect to continue coverage under the employer’s group health plan after TRICARE coverage terminates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor’s call:

By Senator Sebesta—

**SB 44-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to highway safety; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor’s call:

By Senator Sebesta—

**SB 46-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to highway safety; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor’s call:

By Senator Sebesta—

**SB 48-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; expressing the legislative intent to revise the laws relating to transportation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor’s call:

By Senator Sebesta—

**SB 50-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to transportation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor’s call:

By Senator Klein—

**SB 52-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; creating the “Florida Emerging and Strategic Technologies Act”; amending s. 112.313, F.S.; revising procedures and conditions for the approval of certain exemptions from standards of conduct applicable to state university employees; eliminating a requirement for a report; prescribing minimum criteria for university guidelines governing conflicts of interest that may arise in certain research or technology-transfer activities; requiring sanctions for failing to comply with the guidelines; creating s. 121.155, F.S.; providing legislative findings relating to the relationship between availability of capital and the development of high-technology businesses; expressing legislative intent that Florida Retirement System investments complement economic development strategies; requiring staff of the State Board of Administration to review certain economic development information; expanding annual report requirements; amending s. 159.26, F.S.; declaring, for purposes of the Florida Industrial Development Financing Act, that the information technology industry is vital to the economy of the state; providing that the advancement of information technology is a purpose underlying the act; amending s. 159.27, F.S.; redefining the term “project” to include information technology facilities; defining the term “information technology facility”; amending s. 159.705, F.S.; specifying that certain entities may operate a project located in a research and development park and financed under the Florida Industrial Development Financing Act; amending s. 240.105, F.S.; providing that the mission of the state system of postsecondary education includes supporting economic development of the state; amending s. 240.710, F.S.; revising duties relating to the Digital Media Education Coordination Group; eliminating obsolete provisions; providing for the group to submit an annual report; amending s. 288.108, F.S.; specifying that the information technology sector is a high-impact sector for the purposes of a grant program for investments by certain businesses; providing legislative intent relating to the provision of state assistance to a not-for-profit corporation created to advocate on behalf of the information technology industry; requiring the Florida Board of Education to report on statutory and other factors affecting the transfer and commercialization of technology and the formation of relationships between university employees and business entities; prescribing elements of the report; requiring the board to solicit the participation of certain experts in the preparation of the report; amending s. 445.045, F.S.; reassigning responsibility for development and maintenance of an information technology promotion and workforce recruitment website to Workforce Florida, Inc.; requiring consistency and compatibility with other information systems; authorizing Workforce Florida, Inc., to secure website services from outside entities; requiring

coordination of the information technology website with other marketing, promotion, and advocacy efforts; authorizing Workforce Florida, Inc., to act through the Agency for Workforce Innovation in fulfilling its responsibilities related to the website; directing the agency to provide services to Workforce Florida, Inc.; providing legislative findings and intent relating to establishment of joint-use advanced digital-media research and production facilities; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to create a program supporting establishment of the facilities; prescribing the purposes of the facilities; specifying powers and duties of the office relating to establishment of the facilities; defining the term "digital media"; requiring a report to the Legislature on recommended funding levels for the facilities; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Silver—

**SB 54-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local governments in a state of financial emergency; amending s. 218.503, F.S.; specifying the municipalities that may impose a surcharge on the gross revenues of certain parking facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Garcia—

**SB 56-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governmental organization; transferring the Capitol Police from the support program in the Department of Management Services to the Department of Law Enforcement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 58-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 60-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 62-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 64-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 66-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 68-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 70-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to create an exemption from public-records requirements in response to acts of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Geller—

**SB 72-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the aerial application of pesticides or chemicals; expressing the legislative intent to provide for the regulation thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Consumer Services; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 74-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to terrorism; expressing the legislative intent to statutorily define the term "terrorism"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 76-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; expressing the legislative intent to provide for the reclassification of offenses that are committed in furtherance of terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 78-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the detention of material witnesses; expressing the legislative intent to allow courts to

order the temporary detention of certain material witnesses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 80-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the interception of communications; expressing the legislative intent to allow courts to grant applications for the continuing interception of certain communications under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 82-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; expressing the legislative intent to revise the criminal justice laws in response to terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Brown-Waite and Smith—

**SB 84-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; expressing the legislative intent to revise the criminal justice laws in response to terrorism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Dawson, Holzendorf and Meek—

**SB 86-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid funding; providing guidelines for the amount of state funds to be appropriated for Medicaid programs for the remainder of fiscal year 2001-2002 and for fiscal year 2002-2003; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

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**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Dyer, Wasserman Schultz, Miller, Mitchell and Holzen-dorf—

**SB 88-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxation; amending s. 220.187, F.S.; postponing the applicability of that section, which provides credits for contributions to certain scholarship-funding organiza-tions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Garcia—

**SB 90-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to compensation of legislators; amending s. 11.13, F.S.; reducing the compensation of legis-lators for a specified period; providing for future repeal of such reduc-tion; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senator Garcia—

**SB 92-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to compensation of legislators; amending s. 11.13, F.S.; reducing the compensation of legis-lators for a specified period; providing for future repeal of such reduc-tion; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

**Motion**

On motion by Senator Lee, by the required constitutional two-thirds vote of the membership the following bill was admitted for introduction outside the purview of the Governor's call:

By Senators Dyer and Wasserman Schultz—

**SB 94-B**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amend-ing ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating an American Red Cross license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules and Calendar.

**MOTIONS**

On motion by Senator Lee, the rules were waived and the Select Committee on Public Security and Crisis Management was granted per-mission to meet this day from 1:00 p.m. until completion.

On motion by Senator Lee, the rules were waived and a deadline of 3:00 p.m. this day was set for filing amendments to be considered at the Committee on Appropriations meeting Tuesday, October 23.

On motion by Senator Lee, the rules were waived and a deadline of 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 24 was set for filing amendments to be considered at the session on Thursday, October 25.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senator Lee announced that the Committee on Appropriations will meet Tuesday, October 23 from 9:00 a.m. until completion.

Senator Lee announced that the Committee on Finance and Taxation will meet Tuesday, October 23 from 3:00 p.m. until completion. The amendment deadline is 1:00 p.m. Tuesday.

Senator Lee announced that the Special Order Subcommittee of the Committee on Rules and Calendar will meet Tuesday, October 23 upon adjournment of the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Finance and Taxation meetings to establish the Special Order Calendar for the session on Thursday, October 25.

Senator Lee announced that the following meetings were scheduled for Wednesday, October 24: from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., the Commit-tee on Rules and Calendar; from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Commit-tees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; and Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs; from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Criminal Justice; from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., the Committees on Agriculture and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Transporta-tion. The amendment deadline is two hours prior to each meeting.

Senator Lee announced that the Select Committee on Public Security and Crisis Management will meet Friday, October 26 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. The amendment deadline is two hours prior to the meeting.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE**

The Honorable John M. McKay  
President of the Senate

October 22, 2001

Dear Mr. President:

After consideration and debate, the Senate Select Committee on Public Security and Crisis Management recommends that the following legisla-tion be considered during 2001 Special Session B.

1. Definition of Act of Terrorism
2. Aggravation (Enhancement) of Criminal Penalties related to acts of terrorism
3. Temporary delay of access to public records normally open to inspection and copying for the purpose of preventing or investi-gating acts of terrorism
4. Exemption of requests made by law enforcement agencies for temporary delay of access to public records related to acts of terrorism
5. Use of electronic intercept laws across multiple jurisdictions within the State of Florida for the purpose of preventing or in-vestigating acts of terrorism
6. Temporary detention of witness with material information re-lated to an act of terrorism, judicial review process, rights of witness while detained
7. Exemption of Emergency Management Plans for Hospitals spe-cifically related to acts of terrorism
8. Exemption of information related to the location of pharmaceu-tical supply depositories maintained or administered by the State of Florida for use related to acts of terrorism
9. Exemption of Security System Plans for public and private fa-cilities which could be targets of acts of terrorism
10. Exemption of cellular telephone numbers of law enforcement of-ficers

11. Exemption of electronic paging numbers of law enforcement officers
12. Department of Agriculture request to allow rulemaking authority for the use and operation of aerial application systems (crop duster aircraft and related distribution equipment)

*s/ Ginny Brown-Waite*  
Chairman  
*s/ Walter "Skip" Campbell*  
*s/ Kendrick Meek*  
*s/ Ronald A. Silver*  
*s/ Alex Villalobos*

*s/ Victor Crist*  
Vice Chairman  
*s/ Charles W. Clary III*  
*s/ Burt Saunders*  
*s/ Rod Smith*

## MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

### VETOED BILLS 2001 REGULAR SESSION

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

June 1, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 330, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001 and entitled:

An act relating to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; ...

Senate Bill 330 appropriates General Revenue funds for capital improvements to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute for FY2001-02. Because Senate Bill 330 contains an appropriation, I have evaluated its merits based on the standards and guidelines used for similar appropriations. Although the Center provides outstanding research and treatment of cancer, funding for medical research is primarily a federal, not a state, responsibility. The state's top priority for capital expenditures for health care is improvements to county health units, and Senate Bill 330 does not further that goal.

My veto of Senate Bill 330 does not diminish our state's commitment to addressing the important public health issue of fighting and preventing cancer. Last month, I signed into law the Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Act. This new program will provide \$3.9 million in for screening and treatment of breast and cervical cancer to uninsured women with incomes below 200 percent of the federal poverty level. In addition, our state budget includes \$2 million in the current year and \$6 million for next year for biomedical research, which includes funding for cancer research. Our biggest focus for cancer has been on prevention. For the current year and for next year we are providing \$39.1 million in state funds for our highly successful Tobacco Pilot Program. This program prevents children from becoming addicted to tobacco. Tobacco use is the number one cause of preventable death in Florida and the nation.

In conclusion, the appropriation does not fulfill some of the most important criteria by which other appropriations are being evaluated. For these reasons I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 330, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
*Jeb Bush*, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

June 15, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provision of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 510, enacted during the 33rd Regular Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Florida Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001, and entitled:

An act relating to Volusia County; ...

This local bill directs Volusia County to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity (COPCN) to an applicant for licensure as a basic life support or advanced life support service that will operate within the county that has a population of greater than 30,000 meeting certain criteria and subject to voter approval. The bill requires Volusia County to conduct a referendum election to be called and held by the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County at the next general election to determine approval. Costs associated with the referendum will be paid by Volusia County. This bill provides a special exception to the state's policy as adopted by the Legislature in general law, that the county is the appropriate governmental subdivision for determining how best to meet the emergency medical services response and transportation needs of its communities. This bill, and others passed during the 2001 Legislative Session, directly impacts county and city government relations and establishes a precedent for future exceptions. Piecemeal and ad hoc changes to the delivery of services by county and city government without a broader statewide view could lead to inequities among communities and fragmented delivery of services. It may well be time for the Legislature to revisit such policies, however, it should be done through a deliberative statewide process.

As it relates to this bill, I believe that city fire departments and other emergency response entities could play a significant role in providing emergency and other health care services. However, imposing changes to a system that has a proven track record for performance; inserting government into a business that is currently operated by the private sector without having thoroughly examined the ramifications of such an action on the taxpayers of Volusia County; and potentially jeopardizing the safety and welfare of citizens is not the way to proceed. In addition, this bill was never heard in a committee of reference during the legislative session. As a result, affected citizens were not given the opportunity to voice support or concerns prior to final action being taken by the Legislature. With the exception of the local municipalities affected by the action of the bill, the vast majority of local citizens who have contacted our office represent that the current transport service provider is meeting the contract performance standards and the needs of the citizens of Volusia County.

The Volusia Council of Government is also in the process of addressing such issues in a comprehensive study that is already underway and expected to be completed very soon. Specifically, the study is designed to determine comparative costs and performance standards; examine related system components; rank at least three system design options that would increase the standard of care and reduce system costs; and provide a discussion on system oversight and interlocal agreements with regard to implementing a "closest unit response" system for fire rescue and emergency medical services in Volusia County. The Volusia County Council Chairman has assured me that Volusia County will abide by the results and recommendations of the study, and make changes to the current system to implement the recommendations.

For the reasons set forth above, I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 510 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
*Jeb Bush*, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

May 31, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 19(b), of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections to Section 18, comprising proviso related to Specific Appropriation #500 of the General Appropriations Act for FY 2001-2002, of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 792, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature, convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001, and entitled:

An act relating to the Agency for Health Care Administration; . . .

Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 792, which makes substantial changes to Florida's Medicaid program, is a substantive bill effectively containing an appropriation relating to the Public Guardianship program.

Section 18 of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 792 contains proviso language specifying that \$196,000 of the Gen-

eral Revenue funding from Specific Appropriation #500 of the General Appropriations Act for FY 2001-2002 be spent as follows: \$150,000 for the Public Guardianship program in Dade County; \$38,000 for the Public Guardianship program in Collier County; and \$8,000 for the Public Guardianship program in Escambia County.

This language is in the nature of proviso directing that a specified portion of a specific appropriation be allocated to public guardianship projects in identified parts of the state. These special projects are problematic because they violate criteria set forth for special projects, including required local match, and failure to have overall statewide benefit. In addition, the Executive Director of the Office of Statewide Public Guardianship and I agreed to not seek programmatic funding increases until that office completes its final report which is due October 1, 2001. This report will propose a public guardianship plan for meeting the state's guardianship needs and will identify alternative funding sources for guardianship services.

The fiscal year 2000-2001 budget includes \$1 million to fund the Office of the Statewide Public Guardian and public guardian services in three pilot areas. Funding in next year's budget will increase this amount by \$50,000, not including the funds specified in section 18 of this bill.

The proviso in question in Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 792 is as follows:

Section 18. From the funds in Specific Appropriation 500 of the General Appropriations Act for FY 2001-2002, \$196,000 in General Revenue is provided for the following:

Public Guardianship Program - Dade County \$150,000

Public Guardianship Program - Collier County \$ 38,000

Public Guardianship Program - Escambia County \$ 8,000

Therefore, the portions of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 792, which are set forth herein are hereby vetoed. All other portions of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 792 are hereby approved.

Sincerely,  
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris Secretary of State June 15, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 800, enacted during the 33rd Regular Session of the Legislature, convened under the Florida Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001, and entitled:

An act relating to the disposition of traffic fines;

This general bill provides that if a municipality has been in a state of financial emergency during the preceding five years, has had a financial emergencies board established, regardless of whether the board is currently in existence, and maintains a radio-communication program independent of the county in which it is located, \$12.50 of the revenue collected from moving violations must be distributed to that municipality. These funds must be used to fund law enforcement automation. Since the City of Miami is the only municipality for which a financial emergencies board has been established in the last five years, this general bill applies only to the City of Miami and the County of Miami-Dade.

This bill provides a special exception to the state's policy as adopted by the Legislature in general law, that the county is the appropriate governmental subdivision for developing and maintaining an intergovernmental radio communication system. This bill, and others passed during the 2001 Legislative Session, directly impacts county and city government relations and establishes a precedent for future exceptions. Piecemeal and ad hoc changes to the delivery of services by county and city government without a broader statewide view could lead to inequities among communities and fragmented delivery of services. It may well be time for the Legislature to revisit such policies, however, it should be done through a deliberative statewide process.

As it relates to this bill, current law calls for these funds to be provided to counties for participation in an intergovernmental radio communication program approved by the Department of Management Services. The Florida Legislature established this program, giving responsibility to the counties, in order to develop and maintain a fully integrated radio system, involving all governmental entities within the county. CS/SB 800 would allow the City of Miami to divert funds to independently fund their own law enforcement radio system which could have an adverse impact on the sharing of support facilities and the statewide mutual aid system. If cities and counties were to maintain separate radio systems, it could hamper the ability of the state to maintain a statewide radio communications system that is compatible across the entire state.

Additionally, the language of the bill is ambiguous. I understand the intent of the sponsors and the City of Miami was to keep only the revenue collected within its jurisdiction. However, as written, it could be interpreted to require \$12.50 collected from moving violations for traffic tickets issued anywhere in Miami-Dade County be distributed to the City of Miami.

For the reasons stated above, I am withholding my approval of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 800 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris Secretary of State June 19, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001 and entitled:

An act relating to infant cribs;...

Generally, Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 would prohibit commercial users from manufacturing, selling, or leasing unsafe cribs and it would prohibit transient public lodging establishments from offering or providing unsafe cribs. The bill would provide immunity from civil liability to owners of cribs not intended for infant use if they are properly labeled. It would also establish a first-degree-misdemeanor penalty for violation of the law and specifies that violation of the law constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice. Finally, the bill would require the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to inspect all cribs in transient public lodging establishments.

Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 is a well-intentioned effort to increase the safety of infant cribs. Sadly and tragically, it is estimated that 13,000 children are injured every year in the United States due to injuries from their cribs, and that 35 infants die annually from unsafe cribs. I fully support the model legislation proposed by the Danny Foundation, an organization dedicated to eliminating unsafe cribs. The Danny Foundation's model legislation would make it illegal for a commercial user to sell or place in the stream of commerce an unsafe infant crib. According to the Foundation, this model legislation has been adopted in Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois and Washington state.

If the provisions of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 which seek to implement the Danny Foundation's model legislation were before me as a stand-alone bill, I would sign those provisions into law. However, Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 has additional regulatory provisions relating to transient public lodging establishments that have not been adopted by any other state and are not part of the Danny Foundation's model legislation. These additional provisions have several incurable deficiencies that prohibit me from allowing this legislation to become law.

While Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 will not become law, there is much that state government can do short of this legislation that will reduce the risk of injury and death from unsafe cribs in Florida's lodging establishments. Because I share the bill proponents' desire to increase the safety of infant cribs being used in Florida's lodging establishments, I am directing Department of Business

and Professional Regulation Secretary Kim Binkley-Seyer to immediately begin an aggressive educational campaign to provide hotel and motel licensees with infant crib safety information. Commencing as soon as possible, with every hotel and motel inspection, DBPR inspectors will provide each licensee with the Crib Safety Checklist that I have attached to this veto message. In addition, DBPR will request that licensees providing cribs to guests also display information in the guest rooms regarding infant crib safety. We also intend to provide hotel and motel licensees with information regarding placement of the crib in the guest rooms. Information regarding infant crib safety will be accessible on the Department's Hotel and Motel Web Page at <http://www.hospitalityeducation.org>. The Department will also utilize space in the Florida Hotel and Motel Association Journal to provide the department's licensees with crib safety information. And finally, the Department will host a booth at the Florida Hotel Motel Association Trade Show in August, and will distribute crib safety information to the show's attendees. Through these public information efforts, we hope to increase infant crib safety in Florida's hotels and motels.

I believe that these public information efforts will be an effective and practical means of reducing the likelihood of unsafe cribs being provided by Florida's hotels and motels. Our ambition is to increase the safety of infant cribs in hotels without suffering the following incurable shortcomings that caused me to veto this legislation.

First, Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 would effectively require that every crib in each of Florida's lodging establishments be inspected by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation twice each year. While the industry may welcome this additional regulation, the cost to the taxpayers of the state in the form of the additional resources needed to implement these regulations must also be carefully weighed.

Proponents of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 have argued that such an additional requirement would not pose much of an additional burden on the Department or its inspectors, noting that the Legislature's bill analysis did not estimate a fiscal impact to the Department. However, after closely reviewing the bill's inspection requirements, I must respectfully disagree with that conclusion. It now seems clear that, if properly and diligently implemented, the bill could consume an unknown and substantial amount of agency resources and could impede the Department's ability to perform its other inspection responsibilities.

Consider just one of the many infant crib safety criteria that this bill would require state inspectors to evaluate during their inspections. Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 includes subsection (4)(b)(3) to section 144 of Chapter 501 of the Florida Statutes. Proposed subsection (4)(b)(3) would require state inspectors to test every crib in every lodging establishment in Florida to determine whether a mattress can withstand at least a 25-pound upward force from underneath the crib. Setting up and possibly elevating each and every hotel crib in a manner so that the requisite level of force could be applied from underneath each infant crib promises to be time-consuming and it is presently unknown whether inspection of this standard would require one or two inspectors. Ordinarily, inspections of public lodging establishments require only a single inspector. When multiplied by Florida's 11,827 transient lodging establishments, the extensive nature of the crib inspection could negatively impact public health and safety by seriously impairing the Department's ability to properly perform its other regulatory functions.

Second, while the additional burdens placed on state government are indeterminately significant, proponents of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 have been unable to provide any information regarding the number of children that may have been injured in Florida's lodging establishments due to unsafe cribs. A May 2001 NBC "Dateline" investigation reported that it could not find a single report of a crib death in a hotel anywhere in the nation. In fact, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, 80 percent of the deaths that involved suffocation or strangulation of babies in cribs occurred in the child's home as opposed to other locations. More specifically, in the attached letter dated April 9, 2001, Pamela McDonald of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission stated that a search of the Commission's records from April 2000 to April 2001 found no records of injury or death resulting from infant cribs in Florida's hotels and motels. While I do not interpret this lack of information to mean that a potential problem does not exist, I do believe that it is relevant in determining whether a burdensome new inspection program is the best means to

accomplish the shared objective of safer infant cribs in Florida's lodging establishments.

Third, due to practical realities, enforcement of this bill would not have the intended effectiveness as applied to transient lodging establishments and would lead to a false sense of security that could increase danger to infants. The reality that Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 does not fully address is that most lodging establishments assemble their cribs only when needed by guests, and then disassemble the cribs after each guest's use. Most lodging establishments do not have the storage space to keep cribs assembled all the time and most full-size assembled cribs do not fit through guest room doorways. In many if not most cases, the various parts of each crib including the frame, the baseboard, the crib sheets and the mattress are not kept together as a single, integrated unit.

Inspections only determine the safety of the crib at a single moment in time. The same crib that passes inspection today could be reassembled differently the very next day in a manner that would not pass inspection. For all practical purposes, it would be an entirely different and more dangerous crib than the crib that had one day earlier passed inspection. The repeated assembly and disassembly of infant cribs required by this practical reality creates a uniquely ineffective enforcement situation that does much to severely weaken the intended benefit of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856's regulatory regime as applied to cribs in public lodging establishments.

This shortcoming in and of itself is not as troublesome as the potential increase in danger to children resulting from a parent's reliance on an ineffective regulatory program. The unintended yet dangerous consequence of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 is that parents will be given a very false sense of security about the safety of a particular crib. Public awareness of the inspection program combined with the inherent ineffectiveness of that program will induce parents into a false and potentially dangerous reliance on the safety of a crib provided them in a hotel.

Fourth, in addition to these deficiencies, Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 would create a new avenue for unnecessary litigation. Proposed section 501.144 (3)(c) would create a cause of action under the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices act against public lodging establishments that offers to a guest a crib that does not meet the specifications contained in the bill, even if no injury occurs. Because proposed section 501.144 (4)(b)(10) specifies that ill-sized crib sheets are an unsafe crib condition, Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 would create a new, legal cause of action for a parent who had been offered the wrong-sized crib sheet, even if the lodging establishment realized its mistake and provided a properly-fitting sheet prior to its use. There is ample redress under current law for parents whose children suffer injury caused by an unsafe crib in a lodging establishment. Parents may currently sue the hotel for negligently offering an unsafe crib and the crib manufacturer for manufacturing and selling the unsafe crib. Creating a new avenue for lawsuits when no injury has occurred would be an excessive and unwise use of the limited resources of the state's civil justice system.

In sum, the potential new and unintended dangers created by this bill combined with the lack of data regarding injuries to infants from hotel cribs make it difficult to justify the extensive time-consuming and burdensome regulation this bill would require. Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856 is a good example of the expression, "Good intentions do not always make good law."

Finally, I wish to make it very clear that the veto of this bill will not affect the Department of Children and Families' current practice of inspecting infant cribs in child care facilities. The Department of Children and Families will continue to inspect infant cribs three times annually for day care facilities, and two times annually for home care facilities.

For the reasons provided above, I am withholding my approval of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 856, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

May 31, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1018 enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001, and entitled:

An act relating to prevention and amelioration of learning problems and learning disabilities in young children; ...

The purpose of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1018 is to authorize a three-year demonstration project called the Learning Gateway. The sponsors of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1018 introduced the bill to identify and ameliorate learning problems and learning disabilities in young children from birth to age 9. The bill authorizes demonstration projects in Broward, Manatee, and St. Lucie counties. The General Appropriations Act authorizes \$6 million in funding for demonstration projects in Orange, Manatee and St. Lucie counties.

The state of Florida provides noticeable statewide support and mechanisms for identifying and serving students with learning disabilities. According to 1999-2000 school data from the National Center for Education Statistics, Florida ranks tenth nationally in the percent of students with learning disabilities who have been identified and are being served. Students with disabilities being served in schools compose 13 percent of the total school population, more than any other state of comparable size. The 2001 Florida Legislature approved funding for a statewide school readiness screening instrument to be implemented in all public kindergarten classes beginning in 2002. In 2000, the Florida Legislature gave school districts unprecedented freedom in identifying and providing services to students with mild to moderate learning disabilities. This year, the Legislature has appropriated over \$955 million in additional funds to serve the needs of these students. And, while the Commission on the Study of Children with Developmental Delays received much expert testimony, its findings did not identify specific gaps in services and recommend strategies to fill these gaps.

The Learning Gateway Demonstration Projects seek to identify potential learning problems beginning with a mandatory metabolic test for newborns. It also requires automatic referral of all high risk babies and periodic assessments of the children of all persons receiving intervention services from the Department of Corrections, Department of Children and Families, Department of Juvenile Justice, Department of Health, Agency for Health Care and Department of Education. The project also calls for home and hospital visits, parent education, medical personnel education, public awareness, a common referral point, and observations of social, emotional and behavioral interactions between young children and their parents or caregivers.

While I support the idea of providing comprehensive services for the early identification and intervention of learning disabilities, I have a number of concerns with allowing this bill to become law. Many of these concerns are grounded on the potential for excessive intrusiveness of government in the lives of Florida's families.

First, the bill is silent on the issue of parental consent for referral, assessment and intervention services for identified children and their families. Referrals of "high risk children," a term the bill does not clearly define, to the Learning Gateway provider are automatic and may be interpreted to be without parental consent. The fact that the local providers are not known at this time adds further uncertainty to my concern with the issue of parental consent. Periodic development screenings apparently rests on the belief that children of parents who are receiving state intervention services would be automatic as well and may also be without consent of the parents. The rationale for such an automatic screenings apparently rests on the belief that children whose parents are receiving services from the state are at risk of a learning disability. Yet I have seen no evidence that warrants automatic referral and periodic assessment of every child from birth to age nine of every adult who participates in state sponsored intervention services. I believe this provision is an example of good intentions casting too wide of a net and posing a reasonable risk of infringing on parental and family rights.

Second, the absence of a public records exemption to protect the privacy of families and children impacted is also problematic. The Learning Gateway Program is authorized to develop and maintain a database and

tracking system for children who have been referred to the program. Senate Bill 906 provided for a public records exemption for the data collected on children and their families. Because this bill did not pass, sensitive information on assessment and intervention of children is at risk of public scrutiny. This issue was clearly recognized by the Legislature as evidenced by the fact that a bill protecting the privacy of the children and families participating in the Learning Gateway program had initially been filed and passed in the Senate. Although proponents of the bill believe that privacy protections currently applicable to state agencies should travel with the release of confidential information once these documents are in the hands of the Learning Gateway provider, there is no legal guarantee that confidential information will retain its protected status without specific provisions in a bill to that effect.

There is no assurance a court of law might find contrary without the support of a specific public records exemption. Matters of individual and family privacy, especially concerning children, are of utmost importance and cannot be left to chance or to the discretion of a yet to be identified local service provider.

Third, the Florida State Laboratory will be required to purchase an expensive piece of equipment to process required Tandem Mass Spectrometry tests of all newborns in the three demonstration counties. The addition of the Tandem Mass Spectrometry test is used to test certain metabolic abnormalities that may or may not lead to learning disabilities. Although the test may have merit in identifying additional metabolic abnormalities, direct links between the existence of these additional abnormalities and learning disabilities have not been established with medical certainty. I believe that the addition of such a mandatory test should be approved based on a more thorough and thoughtful analysis of need and benefit by the Department of Health.

Fourth, during the session a strike all amendment was developed and agreed to by House and Senate negotiators. The amended bill addressed these concerns by removing the provision for mandatory newborn testing and clarified that all referrals and services would be provided with parent consent only. It also addressed identifying and addressing gaps in services to children with learning disabilities. Mandatory referrals were eliminated in the amended bill. However, the amended version was not able to be added to the bill in the closing days of session.

And finally, this program is to be provided at an enormous cost to taxpayers, despite services already provided by the state. According to the fiscal analysis, the establishment of Learning Gateway in only three counties will cost \$6 million. The intent is clearly to make this a statewide program. Such a future expansion could cost close to \$100 million annually.

It is for these reasons that I am withholding my approval of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1018, and do hereby veto the same. Yet, I also look forward to working with the bill sponsors in the months ahead to resolve many of these issues.

Sincerely,  
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

June 1, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 1020, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001 and entitled:

An act relating to non-ad valorem assessments; ...

Senate Bill 1020 significantly broadens the taxing authority of counties and cities by transforming a statute relating to special assessments into a statute that gives general law authorization for taxes. While the fiscal impacts of such a change are uncertain, Senate Bill 1020 would clearly expand the ability of counties and cities to generate tax revenues beyond current constitutional limitations for property taxes. This specific language was added to the bill on the Senate floor without going through a committee and without public debate raising concerns over the awareness of the implications of this change. While I remain sensitive to the financial needs of rural counties, this legislation is not narrowly crafted

to address those needs. It should also be noted that even in the absence of this legislation, rural counties still have other revenue-raising methods, such as municipal service taxing units, available to them to help address these needs.

Senate Bill 1020 also reduces government accountability to taxpayers by easing the requirements or conditions under which taxpayers must be notified of increases in special assessment rates. If this bill becomes law, there could be many instances in which taxpayers would not be informed of special assessment rate increases until the change appears on their annual tax bills.

For these reasons I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 1020, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
*Jeb Bush*, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

June 6, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections to Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1128, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001 and entitled:

An act relating to medical treatment...

This administration supports an individual's right to access alternatives to conventional medical care. For this reason, I recently signed into law Senate Bill 1324, which promotes a person's right to access alternative or complementary health care treatments while ensuring that the individual's health care provider is subject to the same requirements, provisions, and liabilities as those associated with prevailing standards of medical care. Senate Bill 1324 applies to all licensed health care practitioners and holds practitioners to the standards of his or her respective practice act.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1128 for the most part addresses the same issue. This bill is more narrowly drawn to apply the same public policy found in Senate Bill 1324 to licensed medical doctors and osteopathic physicians, and to treatments for life-threatening conditions. Nevertheless, some of the provisions in Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1128 may conflict or cause confusion when read together with Senate Bill 1324.

I commend the bipartisanship of the Legislature on this issue and the work of the sponsors of both bills. However, in order to avoid duplication, and to resolve any potentiality for uncertainty in a person's ability to access alternative health care treatments, as well as a health care practitioner's responsibilities towards his or her patient, I am withholding my approval of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1128, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
*Jeb Bush*, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

June 15, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 1412, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001 and entitled:

An act relating to child restraint requirements; . . .

Senate Bill 1412 would require all Floridians with children ages 4 to 8 and under 4 feet 9 inches tall to purchase or secure a child booster safety seat for motor vehicle travel. Though current law provides that the failure to fasten a child over the age of 5 with a seat belt is a secondary traffic offense, failure by parents or guardians to fasten a child meeting

the age and height requirements into a booster safety seat would constitute a primary traffic offense. This means that law enforcement officers would be able to stop and ticket motorists based solely on the failure to comply with this regulation. The new booster seat requirement would also apply to families with children from other parts of the country who travel into the State of Florida for tourism and other purposes. If lucky enough to be aware of this new law, most out-of-state travelers with small children would need to secure booster seats before crossing our state line. As a result of the bill's requirements, Florida would become the most restrictive state in the nation as it relates to booster seat requirements.

The sponsors of Senate Bill 1412 truly have their hearts in the right place. While data provided does not account for automobile usage by certain age groups of children, the empirical evidence appears to indicate that it is safer for a child to travel in a booster seat than it is for a child to travel with a seat belt. The sponsors also have the support of many credible organizations, including the National Transportation Safety Board, Ford Motor Company, the Junior League, the Florida Sheriffs Association, the Florida Highway Patrol, and the American Academy of Pediatrics. These are all worthy organizations that can be saluted for their efforts to make the Florida a safer place.

I, too, share with these groups concern about the safety of our children in motor vehicles. The problem with Senate Bill 1412 lies not in its intent or its worthy goal but rather with the question of enforceability, its unintended consequences, how far this particular bill goes, and the appropriate role of state government.

First, if I were to approve Senate Bill 1412, its enforcement remains inherently problematic. Because of the bill's age and height requirements, enforcement would be inconsistent and haphazard. Law enforcement officers would have to make a spot visual determination of the age and height of a child partially concealed by the passenger compartments of a moving car. An officer would have to determine a child's height at the scene, presumably with some kind of measuring device, and in most cases he or she would have to rely on the parents to state the child's age. The officer may or may not decide to issue a ticket based on their believability. Issues of proof will invariably make their way into our courtrooms. This difficulty with enforcement may lead to more government intrusiveness, and does little to bolster respect for the rule of law.

Second, in its noble effort to enhance safety, Senate Bill 1412 provides a number of unintended consequences. It in essence mandates what may be for some a substantial financial burden on many middle- to low-income families. According to one news source, booster seats can cost anywhere from \$20 to \$100. For households with multiple children, this could result in a significant de facto tax on families living paycheck to paycheck. As well, parents who car pool with a number of kids (for example, taking Little League players to a game) and organizations that transport children would have to now provide for booster seats for children not their own. This tax would also apply to tourism—families visiting our state, with their own cars or rental cars, who would face the choice of purchasing one or more booster seats or paying a fine that is potentially more expensive.

In addition to these unintended consequences, this bill would provide some redistribution of responsibility. I believe that parents do have a responsibility to ensure the safety of their own children. At the same time, I also believe that automobile manufacturers should work to create safer products. Under our current system of law and the current norms in society, these obligations are balanced. I am concerned, however, that Senate Bill 1412 would shift these competing responsibilities too much away from automobile companies and towards our state's parents.

Third, this particular bill appears to go too far in its remediation. The age requirements contained in the bill would place Florida far beyond the handful of other states that currently mandate booster seats. The other states currently regulating booster seat travel have only gone as far as children who are 5 and 6 years old. What's more, the enforcement of this law as a primary traffic offense goes beyond what we require today as it relates to seat belts for many of the children in the same age category.

Finally, in order to address a legitimate concern, Senate Bill 1412 initiates a government-imposed regulatory solution at the outset rather than as a last resort. For many parents this will be viewed as more government intrusion in their lives—a command and control approach to a problem more in need of education and awareness. It substitutes government's judgment for that of the family, and fails to acknowledge that there is no law preventing parents from voluntarily purchasing a booster

seat. While I understand the arguments made by proponents of this bill, I also believe we must place some trust in parents and recognize that almost every parent in our state, more so than government, wants their child to lead healthy, safe lives. If provided the appropriate information, many parents will more often than not do what is right and best for their families. Government as a provider of information and education is without doubt a proper role for Tallahassee.

To that end, I commit to the sponsors that during the course of the year I will dedicate existing state fiscal resources and the energies of our public safety and transportation agencies, such as the Florida Highway Patrol, to promote the benefits of booster safety seats. Already, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Executive Director Fred Dickinson has committed to working with me to provide statewide education of Floridians on the issue of child safety in motor vehicles. The state receives approximately \$15 million in federal grant funding for highway safety awareness, and we will use a portion of these funds to highlight the issue of child safety in motor vehicles. In the upcoming fiscal year, the Florida Highway Patrol will expand their efforts to train parents, grandparents, and community groups on how to properly install and use child safety seats and booster seats. In conjunction with the automobile manufacturers, BoostAmerica, the Junior League and other groups, Florida will work to develop a public awareness campaign second to none, and I hope the advocacy groups and manufacturers will genuinely take Florida up on this offer.

I also commit to these organizations the state's assistance in their already existing efforts to distribute booster seat vouchers to families of limited means in Florida. The Department of Highway Safety will be partnering this year with the International Association of Chiefs of Police and Ford Motor Company to help distribute booster seats to families in need and to deliver lifesaving automotive safety curriculum to state's daycare, preschool and elementary schools. At the same time, after analyzing the impacts of this public awareness effort and the collection of more concrete data, we can certainly revisit the prospect of legislation that is less restrictive than what is provided in Senate Bill 1412. I intend to keep an open mind on the need for regulation in this area.

All in all, the best answer to the existing problem is informed and caring parents voluntarily doing what is best for their families, in tandem with efforts to design motor vehicle seat belts that allow adjustments based on differences in body types and sizes. As we all strive to achieve these goals, I look forward to working with the appropriate government agencies and advocacy groups to ensure that we provide to Floridians the information necessary for them to make an informed decision on booster seats. However, until we engage in a sustained effort on these other fronts, I do not feel that it is appropriate at this time for government to impose mandatory regulation in this area on the families of Florida.

For these reasons, I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 1412, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,  
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

June 15, 2001

Dear Secretary Harris:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of portions of Senate Bill 2000, enacted during the 33rd Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2001, and entitled:

An act making appropriations; providing moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002, to pay salaries, and other expenses, capital outlay—buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of State government; providing an effective date.

Senate Bill 2000 accomplishes much for Florida. With Florida moving toward a seamless, student centered approach to education, the Legislature continued to dedicate a third of the total state budget to education priorities.

The education reforms that have been implemented over the last few years have been focused on improving student achievement and ensuring that our children receive a quality education. Florida's school districts have met the challenge and have increased student achievement

significantly in three short years. For the 2000-2001 school year 41 percent of our schools are rated A or B schools, compared to 21 percent in 1998-1999. During the 2000-2001 school year there are five times as many A graded high schools than there were during the 1999-2000 school year. The Legislature's steadfast commitment to K-12 education over the last three years has been evident through reform and by funding this reform.

The 2001-2002 budget provides an increase of \$201 per student, for a total of \$739 million, for K-12 public school operations. This represents a 6.3 percent increase in the Florida Education Finance Program and follows appropriated increases of \$223 per student in 1999-2000 and \$280 per student in 2000-2001. In keeping with our commitment to help school districts address growth and reduce class size, the Legislature also appropriated \$203.5 million to assist districts with new classroom construction.

The budget also provides additional resources for university enrollment growth, as well as funding for community college development and expansion of degree programs targeted on high demand occupations which provide a high return on investment to the local economy. These additional programs will allow our community colleges to contribute toward economic development and meet growing workforce training needs for high-skill and high-wage jobs.

Facilities challenge grants are an important means of leveraging state funds by matching private donations. Currently, the review process for these projects is driven primarily by the resources available to meet construction costs with little regard to other considerations such as each project's total construction costs, annual operating budget, or the importance of the project in the institution's mission and overall Campus Master Plan. In the future, my office will work with the Universities and Legislature to ensure that projects are in alignment with institutional priorities, address core missions, and meet the highest standards of financial accountability through detailed long range planning.

With the assistance of community based care organizations and the Florida Legislature, during my first two years in office we have been able to provide record levels of new funding for health and human services programs. With these new funds, we have focused on rebuilding Florida's ailing child welfare system, providing a full range of services to our developmentally disabled citizens and their families, providing health insurance for nearly all of the state's low and moderate income children, and providing home and community based services to our elders so they can remain in their homes and communities and avoid institutional care.

As a result of these dramatic funding increases and program improvements, we are creating a better future for our most vulnerable Floridians. My administration, with the support of the Florida Legislature, is moving quickly toward a brighter vision of how to compassionately serve Florida's most vulnerable citizens. Using a community-based care model, our government is now emphasizing choices, families and communities and targeting state resources to provide services rather than expanding bureaucracy.

SB 2000 continues our policy of enhanced funding for critical health and human services needs. The bill increases total spending for health and human services to \$16.9 billion next year, an increase over the last 3 years of \$4.5 billion, or 36 percent. These new funds support a variety of critical services for Florida's most vulnerable.

As of May 2001, a record 1.2 million Florida children were receiving health insurance coverage through Florida KidCare and Medicaid. This represents more than 81 percent of all children eligible for these programs. Over the last three years, the number of children participating in Florida's Kidcare program has expanded by 432,000 children, an increase of 56 percent.

More than 36,000 developmentally disabled Florida residents now have access to the full range of needed services. When I was first elected, the number of developmentally disabled Floridians being fully served was less than 10,000. Our new state budget includes an additional \$78 million for this program, sufficient funding to serve another 6,700 developmentally disabled persons who are expected to request services by July 1, 2002. These new funds, when added to the base, are sufficient to fully serve 42,000 developmentally disabled persons by July 2002, more than a four-fold increase in three years. During the last 3 years, state funding for developmental services has increased by 74 percent for a total of \$886 million. Our developmentally disabled citizens are now more appropriately and efficiently served in their homes and communities based upon decisions made by themselves and their families.

SB 2000 also lives up to our commitment to expand funding for alternatives to institutional care so our elders can age at home or in their communities. The bill reflects that commitment by providing \$48 million in new funds for long term care community-based options. These new funds are sufficient to serve an additional 10,000 elders or their care givers who receive services through the Older Americans Act, including respite services and additional supportive services such as counseling, adult daycare, transportation, and meals. This brings the total increase in funding for long term care alternatives over a three-year period to \$122 million—a growth of 51 percent.

The Legislature also provided \$76 million in new funding this year to ensure that the care provided in nursing homes is of the highest quality. This funding will improve the quality of nursing home care by increasing staff-to-resident ratios, improving staff training, and changing employee benefits aimed at decreasing staff turnover. Quality of Care visits to nursing homes will also increase from the current annual to quarterly visits.

SB 2000 continues our commitment to reform Florida's child welfare system by providing \$84 million in expanded child welfare funding, a 10 percent increase over current year funding. These new funds will be used to continue our efforts to protect children and move to a system of community-based care. Included in this new funding is \$10 million for a new grant program to assist communities in caring for children at risk of abuse and neglect. Over the last 3 years, funding for child welfare programs has grown by \$385 million, a 95 percent increase.

Specific Appropriation 227 contains proviso language which attempts to eliminate participation by local governments in the funding of Kidcare. Since this proviso contains no dollar amount, it is not available for veto. However, this proviso contradicts s. 624.91(4)(b)2. and 15., Florida Statutes, which delegates authority to determine local match to the Board of Directors of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation. Because this proviso language attempts to change or amend substantive law, I believe it violates Article III, Section 12 of the Florida Constitution, and have asked my legal office to take action to judicially void this language. Kidcare should be a true partnership between federal, state and local governments. I encourage the Healthy Kids Board to adopt a local match policy which provides for an equitable contribution by all counties but provides a reduced funding amount for counties which are economically deprived.

The Florida Legislature and I have worked together to adopt public-safety reforms such as 10-20-Life, the Three-Strike Violent Felony Offender Act, and the Habitual Juvenile Offender Accountability Act. These initiatives and related laws passed during 1995-1997 have successfully reversed the lenient and disastrous criminal-justice policies of the early 1990's. Thanks to these policies and the dedicated efforts of professional local and state law enforcement, Florida's 2000 "Index Crime" rate was the lowest in 28 years. The 2000 index-crime rate, based on murder, forcible sex, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft, dropped 18 percent since January 1, 1999. This two-year decline in index-crime rates is the steepest ever recorded by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE).

Violent gun crimes have continued to decline since 10-20-Life became law and was the focus of a \$1.3 million public awareness campaign. In 1998, the FDLE reported over 31,600 violent gun crimes. That year, I advocated 10-20-Life as a centerpiece of my campaign platform. In 1999, the Florida Legislature enacted this law and funded a campaign to advertise the law's tough mandatory sentences of 10 years up to life in prison. The results are in: The violent-gun crime rate in 2000 declined by 26.4 percent compared to 1998. In April 2001, I said, "the certainty of punishment provided in the 10-20-Life era is reducing and preventing violent gun crimes."

Felons in state prison are now serving 82 percent of their sentences. Prisoners convicted of committing crimes after October 1, 1995 will serve at least 85 percent of their prison sentence. Florida crime rates have declined because violent and repeat offenders are serving much longer sentences in prison.

My "tough-love" juvenile-justice initiative, supported by the 2000 and 2001 Legislatures, is working to reduce juvenile crime in Florida. This initiative includes increased funding for more residential commitment facilities to increase the average length of stay of juvenile offenders, increased funding for mental-health treatment of committed juveniles, focused funding for juvenile prevention efforts, and tougher juvenile-sentencing laws. In 2001, Department of Juvenile Justice Secretary William Bankhead reported, "the 'tough love' approach to juvenile crime

is paying public safety dividends. We are seeing strong results in 2000 compared to 1999, with a 7.1 percent drop in juvenile arrests for the most serious offenses."

The Legislature and I are working together to reduce illegal drug use by 50 percent by 2005. We have reversed Florida's drug-use trends among 12 to 17 year olds, going from third worst to third best as measured by the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse. The Legislature has implemented my Drug Control Strategy recommendation by passing the Seaport Security Bill and has expanded drug courts into every circuit in the state.

In the 2001-02 state budget, the Legislature demonstrated their commitment to public safety by approving many of my budget recommendations, including a significant increase of the pay and benefits for the men and women who serve on the front lines of public safety as law-enforcement officers. In addition, the Legislature continued to fund improved criminal-justice policies recommended in my budget.

We are a state that is blessed with abundant water resources of approximately 7,700 freshwater lakes, more than 1,700 streams including 64 rivers, 3 million acres of wetlands, and 33 first magnitude springs. Florida's tremendous growth and continuing urbanization are straining our water resources. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection estimates that approximately 500 of our surface water bodies are in need of restoration to meet the surface water quality requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act.

Last year, recognizing the need to implement a better water policy for Florida, we began a concerted effort to focus limited resources on Florida's top environmental priorities. Through the Water Advisory Panel, the Legislature funded and I approved a record \$143 million for surface water and wastewater projects. This year, once again, I am pleased to recognize that the Legislature has made a major funding commitment for enhanced water restoration efforts.

The Everglades remains at the top of Florida's priority list. Working with the Legislature, we have achieved unprecedented success in passing state and federal legislation to provide critical funding to implement the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan approved by Congress in December 2000. Florida has demonstrated its readiness, willingness and ability to carryout this vital ecosystem protection and restoration undertaking. I am proud of Florida's \$205 million cash commitment over the last two years.

Another accomplishment is the Florida Springs Initiative. Florida's largest freshwater springs are among our most precious and unique natural wonders, yet the springs are suffering from increasing pollution threats, excess nutrients, effects of drought, and in some cases overuse. The \$2.5 million Florida Springs Initiative will provide better scientific information and produce action plans to protect and restore our unique freshwater springs.

In addition, Florida was one of the first states to put programs in place to protect our water resources from underground and above ground petroleum storage tanks. More than 92 percent of the fresh drinking water in Florida is from groundwater sources—a fact that requires stringent protection of groundwater sources. Over the last three years, \$350.8 million has been provided for the Petroleum Cleanup Program, giving Florida one of the most progressive and strict petroleum contamination prevention and cleanup programs in the nation.

Florida's rich diversity and abundance of plant and animal species makes it unique. This diversity and abundance brings with it a responsibility to protect and preserve the diversity, maintain the abundance, and prevent extinction.

Manatee protection and its impacts on the boating public are important issues facing Florida. On October 19, 2000, I convened a summit to examine manatee protection strategies including the regulation and enforcement of speed zones, sanctuaries, and boating access. The summit concluded with several recommendations, including an increase in the number of law enforcement officers, to help keep our waters safe. This year the budget provides 25 new law enforcement officers to protect human lives and improve protection of marine and estuarine species, including the manatee.

Finally, this year the Legislature passed the historic Florida Election Reform Act of 2001. Thanks to this reform, Florida will have an electoral system that will not only be the envy of the nation, but also the world. The election reforms received overwhelming support in the Legislature, passing by 120-0 in the House and by 38-2 in the Senate. This budget includes \$20 million in funding to implement these reforms.

While there is much in the budget of which to be proud, several items did not go through committee or statutory processes for inclusion in the budget. The following items were added to the appropriations bill during conference, thus circumventing the scrutiny of the entire appropriations process, and therefore are hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 7A

Page 2  
 "7A SPECIAL CATEGORIES  
 GRANTS AND AIDS - GRANTS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
 FOR READING PROGRAMS  
 FROM EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENT TRUST FUND 1,731,428

Funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7A are provided for Direct Instruction."

Specific Appropriation 7B

Pages 2 and 3 - A portion of proviso language  
 "From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7B, \$280,000 is provided to establish a pilot program in Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry), including professional development for teaching staff. The pilot shall operate in a low performing high school in the Gadsden County school district."

Specific Appropriation 18

Pages 10 and 11 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Center for Fine Arts Dance Studio  
 Addition (P,C,E) 306,616"

Specific Appropriation 23A

Pages 12 and 13 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Leon Cty Reimbursement for TCC/LAW Enf  
 (PTLEF Transfer) 1,000,000"

Specific Appropriation 130A

Pages 31 and 32 - A portion of proviso language  
 ", and \$268,572 is provided for Direct Instruction."

Specific Appropriation 349

Page 82 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Early Permanency Planning 210,000"

Specific Appropriation 394

Page 90 - proviso language  
 "From the funds in Specific Appropriation 394, \$50,000 from recurring General Revenue is provided to continue the Independent Living for Retarded Adults non-profit organization in Marion County."

Specific Appropriation 399A

Page 91 - proviso language  
 "From funds in Specific Appropriation 399A, the department shall transfer \$10,000 to the Correctional Privatization Commission for the purpose of negotiating and implementing contracts with the selected vendor for the 600 bed Sexual Violent Predator facility in Desoto County."

Specific Appropriation 403

Page 93 - A portion of proviso language  
 "IMPACT Community Services (Non-Recurring) 1,429,353"

Specific Appropriation 431A

Page 97 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Village Adolescent Treatment Program for Dually  
 Diagnosed Girls - Dade County 500,000"

Specific Appropriation 431B

Pages 97 and 98  
 "431B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND  
 NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
 MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE FACILITIES  
 FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 553,000

The following projects from Specific Appropriation 431B, are funded from nonrecurring General Revenue Funds:

Human Services Associates - Orange County 422,000  
 Crawford/Monarch Houses - Broward County 131,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 431B for purchase of or improvements to real property are contingent upon the contractor or political subdivision granting to the state a security interest in the property at least to the amount of the state funds provided for at least five years from the date of purchase of the completion of the improvements or as further required by law."

Specific Appropriation 488

Page 106 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Senior Community Outreach - Sarasota County 170,000"

Specific Appropriation 510

Pages 109 and 110 - A portion of proviso language  
 "From the funds in Specific Appropriation 510, \$177,000 shall be provided to Fairchild Tropical Gardens for the administration of an education program regarding tobacco and the long-term health effects of smoking."

Specific Appropriation 580B

Page 118 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Dover Community Health Center - Hillsborough 640,000"

Specific Appropriation 598

Page 121 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Echocardiography Telecommunications Network 500,000"  
 "Seizure Disorder Clinic - Statewide 250,000"

Specific Appropriation 666

Page 129 - proviso language  
 "From the funds in Specific Appropriation 666, \$200,000 in non-recurring General Revenue is provided for the Jacksonville Veterans' Homeless Employment and Training Program."

Specific Appropriation 1748

Pages 238 and 239 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Holloway Irrigation System 500,000"

Specific Appropriation 2045

Pages 270 through 272 - A portion of proviso language  
 "Trade Corridor Strategy 400,000"  
 "State Road 70 7,500,000"

"Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2045 for a Trade Corridor Strategy are for the Transportation Outreach Program Advisory Council to conduct a trade corridor strategy and implementation assessment. The scope of the comprehensive assessment will include coordination with all affected stakeholders by region and by trade corridor to conduct a thorough multimodal "needs" assessment to identify near-term, mid-term and long-term prioritized improvements for all modes of transportation with the state's identified corridors and corresponding regions. Order of magnitude costs associated with each multimodal need will be provided to the extent such costs may be determined and estimated. The assessment shall include a discussion of local, state and federal financing methods to implement the recommendation and conclusions put forth. The assessment shall be complete and submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by January 15, 2002."

Specific Appropriation 2051

Pages 272 and 273 - proviso language  
 "From funds in Specific Appropriation 2051, up to \$20,000 may be used for a study of the construction of a rail enhancement, cargo handling system located at the Port of Palm Beach which will link the Port of Miami, Port Everglades and the Port of Palm Beach using innovative rail technology. This study would determine whether or not technology allowing for trailers to be removed from the highway system and placed directly on an innovative rail system is an appropriate method of intermodal transportation. The study will also determine if utilizing this new technology will result in a

more efficient and cost effective way of transporting goods between the Ports while relieving congestion on our state highway system.”

Specific Appropriation 2367A  
Pages 306 and 307 - A portion of proviso language  
"CDC Enterprise Zone

"CDC Enterprise Zone	400,000"
"Enterprise Zone Grant Program	1,000,000"
"Outback Bowl	200,000
Toyota Gator Bowl	200,000
Sunshine Football Classic	200,000"

“Funds in Specific Appropriation 2367A for the Enterprise Zone Grant Program, are provided to establish a grant program for court house construction and court house land acquisition for counties having a population of over 89,999. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall establish grant criteria that include the following:

1. All court house construction and court house land acquisition activities must be within a designated enterprise zone.
2. State grant funding for court house land acquisition must have at least 25% local county cash matching funds.

The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, in consultation with Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee and House Fiscal Responsibility Council shall determine the distribution of these funds to those counties that submit a request. Reports from those counties receiving such funds shall be submitted annually to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such reports shall document the total cost of the land purchased, certification that the property acquired is located in an enterprise zone, the total cost of court house construction, and the anticipated project completion date.”

SECTION 1 - EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT “LOTTERY” TRUST FUND

Several projects of a purely local nature have been funded with the Lottery Education Enhancement Trust Fund. I cannot circumvent Constitutional intent and allow Lottery funding to be opened up to line item funding for local projects. Each education system is allocated its fair share of discretionary lottery funding and is able to fund these local enhancement projects with this allocation. Thus, I am approving line item funding for Lottery only for existing and ongoing school based programs with statewide benefits and statewide projects meeting a critical need. Some of these projects, such as the Holocaust Museum and Arts for Complete Education, were also funded from General Revenue, a more appropriate funding source. For these reasons I am withholding my approval for the following line items:

Specific Appropriation 7B  
Pages 2 and 3 - A portion of proviso language

“From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7B, \$3,000,000 shall be used by the Department of Education to fund learning development demonstration and evaluation grants to elementary and middle schools. These grants shall be employed solely to fund in designated schools a fully integrated system of assessment, remediation and development in which the student is provided a specific program of learning ability enhancement based on the individual’s detailed assessment of cognitive abilities and screening of perceptual and sensory motor systems.”

Specific Appropriation 7C  
Page 3 - A portion of proviso language

“, \$1,000,000 is provided for College Fast Start, \$150,000 is provided for Amer-I-Can, \$150,000 is provided for an After School Tutorial Program in Broward County, and \$125,000 is provided for an After School Enrichment Program in Dade County.”

Specific Appropriation 7E  
Page 3

"7E SPECIAL CATEGORIES TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FROM EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENT TRUST FUND	1,250,000
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Funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7E are provided for the Schultz Center for Teaching and Leadership.”

Specific Appropriation 7F  
Pages 3 and 4 - A portion of proviso

“From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7F, \$1,000,000 is provided for a statewide vision screening service for pre-school children using a system based on color photorefracton. The selection of the service provider shall be in accordance with Chapter 287, F.S., and the service provider must have completed a vision screening program in a public school setting using the screening method provided in this paragraph.”

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 7F, \$200,000 is provided for Arts for a Complete Education, \$100,000 is provided for Jason Project/Manatee, \$250,000 is provided for the Florida Holocaust Museum,”

“, \$150,000 is provided for the Early High Technology Education Intervention Initiative, \$300,000 is provided for the Bay High School Regional Academies, \$1,400,000 is provided for the Center for Creative K-12 Outreach Program, \$200,000 is provided for Hands in Action - Family, Schools and Friends, \$350,000 is provided for Truancy Intervention Program - Hillsborough, \$80,000 is provided for the Brooksville Elementary School Safe and Secure Schools Program, \$510,000 is provided for Dreams are Free, \$900,000 is provided for Sea Trek,”

“, and \$355,368 is provided for the Florida Youth Challenge - Education Lab.

From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7F, \$1,048,204 is provided to the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Instructional Technology Department to purchase necessary hardware and instructional software to implement a pilot project to improve student performance in reading and math for middle and high schools rated “D” or “F” according to the State’s A+ Plan.”

Specific Appropriation 7G  
Page 4

"7G SPECIAL CATEGORIES GRANTS AND AIDS - EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION FROM EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENT TRUST FUND	600,000
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Funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 7G are provided for the Therapeutic Early Childhood and Elementary Severely Emotionally Disturbed Center.”

SECTION 2 - EDUCATION (ALL OTHER FUNDS)

The budget contains construction projects that have not gone through the facilities review process set in statute. The review process is meant to provide an appropriate mechanism for funding essential facility needs that meet the mission and goals of Florida public education and the state as a whole. We must resist the temptation to circumvent this process given the limited resources available. Therefore, I am limiting my approval to those projects that have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Regents, the Special Facility Construction Committee, or the State Board of Community Colleges as well as those critical safety renovations to Florida’s state-owned buildings.

Specific Appropriation 17  
Pages 8 through 10 - A portion of proviso language

"FCCJ/UNF Joint Use Facility	2,000,000"
"Center for Teaching and Learning	1,000,000"

Specific Appropriation 18  
Pages 10 and 11 - A portion of proviso language

"FAU/HBOI Marine Science Partnership (P)	997,860"
"Education & Study Center - Sarasota	1,000,000
North Addition to the Museum - Sarasota.	6,000,000"
"UF - Whitney Lab	3,492,500
UF Genetics Institute	5,000,000
IFAS Aquaculture Research and Demonstration Facility	4,600,000"

"UNF/Edward Waters Joint-use Facility	2,000,000"
"Marine Science Aquatic Lab (P) Medical School Outpatient Facility	1,000,000 1,000,000"

Specific Appropriation 23A  
Pages 12 and 13 - A portion of proviso language

"Manatee County Community High School planning	1,500,000
Okaloosa County Ft. Walton Beach HS Addition & Renovation	3,000,000"

The Legislature has examined the option of establishing a school of chiropractic medicine for the past two sessions. The state need being addressed in this issue includes providing more medical services to underserved persons and providing an in-state lower cost option for Florida students to acquire a chiropractic medical education. A commissioned study recommended four options for meeting these needs. A publicly funded school of chiropractic medicine was one of the four options. Within this option, there are two potential sites identified for locating a new school. These include a school on the main FSU campus and a school to use shared facilities at the Panama City FSU branch campus and Gulf Coast Community College. Both locations will require the construction of a new facility. The original advantages of considering a school of chiropractic medicine at FSU disappear with the Panama City option and locating the school at the main Tallahassee campus appears impossible at this time.

The study references a partnership with a private well known school of chiropractic medicine which has developed an agreement with the city of Port Orange to locate there. This private option is well along in establishing a school to serve approximately 500-700 students at no direct cost to the state. This option is promising for meeting the goals of access on which the original discussion was based. The state may still develop other means for assisting in minority student recruitment and financial assistance to help students acquire a medical education and practice in Florida. For these reasons, I do not believe the state should embark on funding a public school of chiropractic medicine and am therefore withholding my support for the following line item:

Specific Appropriation 194  
Pages 49 through 52 - A portion of proviso language

"Chiropractic Medicine - FSU	1,000,000"
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Other budget items meet a critical state concern and are necessary to further our goal for a more educated workforce. In addition, there are budgeted projects that complete or support statewide commitments made in previous years or further our highest priorities to improve student achievement. Although many expansion and new projects are worthwhile endeavors, all cannot be given priority in a year where reductions are being made to address competing state needs. Therefore, I am giving my approval to new and expanded projects that meet priority needs, are funded from an appropriate source, and do not have unacceptable out year costs. I hereby veto the following projects because they failed to meet these stated criteria:

Specific Appropriation 23A  
Pages 12 and 13 - A portion of proviso language

"Heartland Educational Consortium	500,000"
"Manatee County Emerson Point Environmental Center	600,000"

Specific Appropriation 24A  
Page 13 - A portion of proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 24A, up to \$3,000,000 shall be available to FSU to correct drainage problems in the Howser Stadium area."

Specific Appropriation 131B  
Page 33

"131B SPECIAL CATEGORIES GRANTS AND AIDS - LEARNING GATEWAYS FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	6,000,000
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Funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 131B are provided to the Department of Education to implement three pilot Learning

Gateway programs in Orange, Manatee, and St. Lucie Counties. The programs shall address prevention of learning disabilities in children ages birth to 9."

Specific Appropriation 143  
Pages 34 and 35 - A portion of proviso language

"From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 143, \$317,000 is provided for Florida School Boards Association school board member in-service training.

From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 143, \$4,000,000 is provided for the development of a Sunshine State Professional Development Network. The purposes of this network are to assist teachers seeking alternative or add-on certification consistent with the provisions of s. 231.17(7)(a), F.S., to assist teachers who wish to participate in the Florida Mentor Teacher Pilot Program as defined in s. 231.700, F.S., and to assist teachers to prepare for performance assessment based on student achievement as required by s. 231.29, F.S."

" , \$275,000 is provided for the Florida Humanities Council,"

" , and \$800,000 is provided for the Flight to Your Future Teacher Resource and Activity Center at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University for math/science enhancement."

Specific Appropriation 145A  
Page 35 - A portion of proviso language

" , and \$500,000 is provided for the Keating Maritime Center."

" , \$25,000 is provided for Hands in Action-Family, Schools and Friends, \$500,000 is provided for the Center for Infant Child School Outreach Program, \$500,000 is provided for SER/SABER/Youth Coop,"

"From the funds appropriated in Specific Appropriation 145A, \$250,000 is provided for Instructional Materials Innovation in the first state-approved charter school district. Identified teachers will participate in a project with publishers and other teachers to design a system for preparation and delivery of materials specifically designed to meet the individualized instructional needs of each teacher."

Specific Appropriation 169A  
Page 39

"169A AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS GRANTS AND AIDS - PREFERRED TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM PATHWAY FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	2,000,000"
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Specific Appropriation 184A  
Page 47

"184A SPECIAL CATEGORIES GRANTS AND AIDS - MIAMI BOOK FAIR FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	200,000"
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Specific Appropriation 194  
Pages 49 through 52 - A portion of proviso language

"Information Science & Technology - UCF	2,500,000"
"Center for Advanced Power Systems - FSU	500,000"
"Haas Center for Business Research - UWF	350,000"
"Harbor Branch Marine Science - FAU	950,000"
"Urban Policy Institute - FAMU	250,000"

Specific Appropriation 195  
Pages 52 and 53 - A portion of proviso language

"North Florida Research and Education Center equipment upgrades relating to the beef and forage industries	200,000"
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"Northwest Orange County Education and Business Center - Apopka	100,000"
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Specific Appropriation 198  
Pages 53 and 54 - A portion of proviso language  
"New College 1,177,500"

"In addition, the \$1,177,500 in new funding appropriated for New College in Specific Appropriation 198 shall also be transferred."

### SECTION 3 - HUMAN SERVICES

Our state budget has traditionally included numerous health and human services related special projects. In an effort to provide a consistent and fair review of these special projects, last summer objective review criteria were developed by my office in consultation with appropriate state agencies and the Legislature. In addition, we committed to review projects funded in the base budget. Consistent with that commitment we mailed our review criteria to all projects not included in my 2001-2002 budget recommendation explaining that these items, after being evaluated against policy criteria, would be funded if they were approved by the Legislature and met our criteria. These are the same criteria which we shared with legislators, legislative and agency staff, and the public.

The budget recommendations I submitted to the legislature this spring included \$25.5 million for health and human services community projects. These funds were to be awarded, on a competitive basis to "community projects that meet the following criteria: are consistent with the department's mission; demonstrate a need for the project and do not duplicate services offered by another local program; include a quantifiable evaluative component for measuring the effectiveness of the program; provide evidence of being well-managed and financially sound; demonstrate tangible community support, including matching funds of 25 percent or more that may be provided in part through in-kind contributions; and are not fixed capital outlay projects."

With the assistance of my health and human services agency heads, I have reviewed all health and human services related special projects contained within SB 2000. Many of these projects were consistent with our review criteria, but unfortunately a number were not. Specifically, the items which were not consistent with my criteria funded the following project types: fixed capital outlay for facilities not owned by the state; projects not within the mission of the department in which they are funded; duplicative projects in that funding is provided either in a bill or through another source; projects more appropriately funded through other sources such as the federal government, local governments or private foundations; or projects which violate state statutes. Therefore, I hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 327A  
Pages 78 and 79  
"327A SPECIAL CATEGORIES  
GRANTS AND AIDS - CONTRACTED SERVICES  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 250,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 327A include \$250,000 from recurring General Revenue for the following initiatives:

Broward Shared Database	100,000
Healthier Communities Initiatives - Broward County	150,000"

Specific Appropriation 349  
Page 82 - A portion of proviso language  
"Kids Bridge 100,000  
Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center 515,465"

Specific Appropriation 350E  
Page 83  
"350E GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND  
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
CHILD WELFARE FACILITIES  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1,725,000

Specific Appropriation 350E includes non-recurring General Revenue for the following fixed capital outlay projects:

Children's Advocacy Center - Orange County	200,000
Manatee Children's Group Home	1,000,000
Manatee County Nursery School	450,000
Haven for Children - Brevard	75,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 350E for purchase of or improvements to real property are contingent upon the contractor or political subdivision granting to the state a security interest in the property at least to the amount of the state funds provided for at least five years from the date of purchase of the completion of the improvements or as further required by law."

Specific Appropriation 362A  
Pages 84 and 85 - A portion of proviso language  
"Center for Children and Families 100,000  
Child Abuse Project - Palm Beach County 300,000"

"Specific Appropriation 362A also includes non-recurring General Revenue for the following project:

Family Access Center	125,000"
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Specific Appropriation 379A  
Page 88 - A portion of proviso language  
"HARC Tampa Day Program Facility - Hillsborough County 500,000  
Best Buddies High Schools, Colleges, And Citizens - Dade County 200,000"

"The following project is funded from nonrecurring Tobacco Settlement Trust Funds:

Daystar Adult Day Training Center Pilot Program	1,500,000"
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Specific Appropriation 379B  
Page 88  
"379B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND  
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES FACILITIES  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 500,000

The following project in Specific Appropriation 379B is funded from nonrecurring General Revenue Funds:

Group Homes for Individuals with Disabilities/Construction Funds - Center for Independence - Pasco County	500,000
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Funds in Specific Appropriation 379B for purchase of or improvements to real property are contingent upon the contractor or political subdivision granting to the state a security interest in the property at least to the amount of the state funds provided for at least five years from the date of purchase of the completion of the improvements or as further required by law."

Specific Appropriation 393  
Page 90 - proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 393, the following issue is funded from recurring General Revenue:

Best Buddies, Florida - Statewide	200,000"
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Specific Appropriation 402A  
Pages 92 and 93 - A portion of proviso language  
"New Horizons of Treasure Coast - Indigent Drug Program  
Indian River, Martin, Palm Beach and St. Lucie  
Counties 200,000"

"Fellowship House Comprehensive Service Improvement in Dade County (Non-Recurring)	448,250"
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Specific Appropriation 403  
Page 93 - A portion of proviso  
"Children's Medical Director - New Horizons/Treasure Coast 100,000"

Specific Appropriation 414  
Page 94 - A portion of proviso language

"In addition, \$540,000 in recurring General Revenue is provided to address the 3% pay adjustment for salary-related cost of living increases in the management contract for that same facility."

Specific Appropriation 442  
Page 99 - A portion of proviso language

“; \$625,000 shall be utilized to fund one full-time position in each of the Local Coalitions for the Homeless, and \$197,668 shall be used to fund an increase in the homeless grant-in-aid program annual appropriation. The remaining sum of \$4 million shall be used to provide additional services to the homeless pursuant to the “Challenge Grants” program authorized in s. 420.622, Florida Statutes.”

Specific Appropriation 443  
Page 99 - A portion of proviso language

“Specific Appropriation 443 also includes non-recurring General Revenue for the following project:

Opening Doors (Abriendo Puertas) 25,000”

Specific Appropriation 487  
Pages 105 and 106 - A portion of proviso language

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 487, \$227,188 in recurring General Revenue is provided to the Jewish Community Services - Miami Beach Senior Center for local services programs.”

Specific Appropriation 488  
Page 106 - A portion of proviso language

"Dunedin Senior Center Furnishings and Equipment (Non-Recurring) 190,000"

"Prime Time Seniors - Dade County 25,000"

"Senior Citizen Advocacy - Duval County 60,000"

"Safe Communities Lifelong Mobility Center Elder Mobility Project in Palm Beach County (nonrecurring) 120,606"

Specific Appropriation 489A  
Page 106 - A portion of proviso language

"Regional Senior Resource Center of Manatee County (Tobacco Settlement Funds) 2,000,000

St. Johns County Council on Aging Senior Center 100,000

Alzheimer's Care Center of Titusville - Brevard County 300,000

Autumn House Renovation - Okaloosa 250,000"

Specific Appropriation 506  
Page 109

"506 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMMUNITY HEALTH INITIATIVES FROM TOBACCO SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND 150,000"

Specific Appropriation 510  
Pages 109 and 110 - A portion of proviso language

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 510, \$1,620,000 in non-recurring funds from the Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund is provided for the enhancement of traffic law and substance abuse education courses to include a tobacco education component. Pursuant to guidelines established by the department, each provider shall be paid \$270,000 for providing these courses.”

Specific Appropriation 520  
Page 111 - proviso language

“From the recurring General Revenue Funds in Specific Appropriation 520, \$22,140 is provided for a Colposcopy contract with the Alachua County Health Department and \$115,759 is provided for the Northeast Florida Planned Parenthood.”

Specific Appropriation 524  
Page 112 - proviso language

“From the recurring General Revenue Funds in Specific Appropriation 524, \$187,084 is provided for Planned Parenthood contracts in Collier and Sarasota Counties.”

Specific Appropriation 527  
Page 112 - proviso language

“From the recurring General Revenue Funds in Specific Appropriation 527, \$70,000 is provided for a Midwifery contract with the University of Florida, and \$80,000 is provided for a Midwifery contract with the University of South Florida.”

Specific Appropriation 534A  
Page 113

"534A SPECIAL CATEGORIES KIDNEY DISEASE PROGRAM FROM TOBACCO SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND 200,000"

Specific Appropriation 577A  
Pages 117 and 118 - A portion of proviso language

"Rural Midwifery Service - Madison County 50,000"

"Hospice Foundation of America - Dade County 350,000  
Kidney Disease Program - Statewide 25,000"

"New Horizons Family Intervention/Support Program - Dade Co 50,000"

"Isabel Collier Read Prenatal Care Clinic Collier and Lee Counties 300,000"

"Gem and End of Life Care Project - Mt. Sinai 100,000"

"Rural Perinatal Care, Social Worker - Full Circle - Madison 250,000"

"Manatee Rural Health Services - Dental Program 200,000

Manatee Rural Health Services - Prescription Drugs 500,000

Manatee Rural Health Services - Obstetrics 320,000"

"Medi Minder Program - Edward Waters College 220,000"

"Prevention and Intervention Center - River Region Human Services - Duval 250,000"

"Police Defibrillators - City Of Sunny Isles Beach 100,000"

"Partnership for Healthy Communities - Escambia 50,000"

Specific Appropriation 580B  
Page 118 - A portion of proviso language

"Community Outreach/Preventive Health Center - CFCC - Marion 500,000

Special Needs Evacuation Shelter - ARC - St. Johns 270,000"

"Northwest Florida Community Hospital - Chipley 350,000

Jacksonville Community Health Center - Planning 200,000

Baker Community Hospital Project 250,000

Gifford Health Center Building Project 500,000"

"Planning and Construction of Replacement Facility Madison Hospital 1,300,000"

Specific Appropriation 592A  
Page 120

"592A SPECIAL CATEGORIES GRANTS AND AIDS - CHILD ABUSE PROGRAM FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 190,168"

Specific Appropriation 598  
Page 121 - A portion of proviso language

"Developmental Center for Infants and Children	250,000"
"Joe Dimaggio Children's Hospital Pediatric Emergency Services	350,000"
"Foundation for Dreams - Manatee County	80,000"

Specific Appropriation 604A  
Page 121

"604A SPECIAL CATEGORIES RHEUMATIC FEVER FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	78,409"
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Specific Appropriation 626  
Page 124 - proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 626, \$502,768 is provided for an emergency medical services matching grant to the Fire Department."

**SECTION 4 - CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS**

The budget includes items that do not support the core mission of the Department of Corrections. The Department's core mission includes the custody, control and supervision of inmates and offenders. New projects in the Department of Correction's budget which provide for transitional programs were not approved. SB 912 provides for a competitive contract process and funding for faith-based substance abuse and other "self-inflicted crimes" programs, including transitional services. The following projects that have not gone through this competitive process, that do not support the agency's core mission, or that provide for the construction of private facilities are hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 676A  
Page 132

"676A SPECIAL CATEGORIES CONTRACTED SERVICES FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	252,988
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The funds in Specific Appropriation 676A, from nonrecurring General Revenue are allocated as follows:

Homeless Assessment Referral and Tracking (CBIR 1512)	252,988"
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Specific Appropriation 806A  
Page 143

"806A SPECIAL CATEGORIES LOCAL COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROJECT FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	650,000
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The funds in Specific Appropriation 806A, from recurring General Revenue are allocated as follows:

Community Re-Entry Program (CBIR 1896)	250,000
L.A.P. "Life After Prison" (CBIR 481)	300,000
C.O.U.R.T. Project/Cottages in the Pines (CBIR 828)	100,000"

Specific Appropriation 809A  
Page 143 - A portion of proviso language

"Freedom House (CBIR 793)	400,000"
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Specific Appropriation 817A  
Page 145

"817A SPECIAL CATEGORIES LOCAL COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROJECT FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	500,000
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The funds in Specific Appropriation 817A, from recurring General Revenue are allocated as follows:

Jail Diversion Initiative-Volusia/Flagler Cnty (CBIR 470)	500,000"
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The Department of Juvenile Justice has developed criteria to fund juvenile prevention programs, based on a California study, which demonstrated that a small percentage of youth with multiple risk factors are most likely to become serious or repeat juvenile offenders. The California study, known as the "8% Solution," was established as the criteria for prevention programs and sent out to over 490 vendors and included in the Governor's Budget released in January.

The budget said, "Delinquency prevention projects must serve school-aged youth who must meet at least three of the following four risk factors: 1) Significant family problems as evidenced by child abuse or neglect findings, a criminal family member, or a lack of parental supervision and control; 2) significant problems at school as evidenced by truancy, failing more than one course, or a suspension or expulsion within the last 6 months; 3) a pattern of substance abuse, including drugs, alcohol or smoking cigarettes; and 4) pre-delinquent behavior as evidenced by gang membership, chronic running away, a pattern of stealing; or mental health problems associated with delinquent behavior." Applicants must demonstrate that the programs and services offered address the identified risk factors. Projects not meeting these criteria were not approved.

Specific Appropriation 1198A  
Pages 174 and 175 - A portion of proviso language

"Eckerd Youth Academy-Replace 19 Vans	446,000"
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Specific Appropriation 1199A  
Page 175

"1199A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY LOCAL DELINQUENCY INTERVENTION FACILITIES FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	1,080,000
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Funds in Specific Appropriation 1199A from nonrecurring General Revenue are provided for the following projects:

New Port Richey Marine Institute Education Center (CBIR 513)	500,000
Eckerd Youth Academy Dorm Replacement	580,000"

Specific Appropriation 1233A  
Pages 179 and 180 - A portion of proviso language

"Boys & Girls Clubs of Hernando County (CBIR 404)	95,000
Targeted Outreach/Holly Hill (CBIR 1605)	20,000
Targeted Outreach/Oak Hill (CBIR 1818)	20,000
Targeted Outreach/Flagler (CBIR 1821)	20,000
Santa Rosa County Truancy Pick-Up Program (CBIR 732)	50,000
Suspension With a Purpose (S.W.A.P.) (CBIR 1961)	100,000
Boys and Girls Club of Citrus County, Inc (CBIR 317)	200,000"

"Believe & Achieve (CBIR 462)	100,000
CETARY Project (CBIR 184)	250,000
Hispanic Adolescents And Their Parents (HAAP) (CBIR 2331)	200,000"

"City of Jacksonville, Truancy Interdiction Pgm (CBIR 3156)	200,000
Palm Beach County Truancy Interdiction Pgm (TIP) (CBIR 642)	250,000
South Side Boys and Girls Club (CBIR 2330)	100,000
ICYC After School Education & Recreation Program (CBIR 1211)	150,000
Project LIFT (CBIR 1355)	50,000
MAD DADS of Miami-Dade, Inc (CBIR 1299)	200,000
Boys and Girls Club/Escambia County Delinquency and Crime Prevention (CBIR 249)	18,000"

"Runaway / Youth Crisis Shelter (CBIR 3178)	150,000
Miami Love Youth-at-Risk (CBIR 1069)	200,000

"Adult Mankind Org. Prevention/ Intervention Pgm (CBIR 1787)	750,000
Youth Co-op (CBIR 1872)	100,000
Enhancement of Community Policing through Community Schooling (CBIR 1196)	100,000
Youth Crime Prevention Initiative (CBIR 2954)	50,000"
"The Phoenix Project - Dade	75,000
East Unit Of The Boys & Girls Club Of Pasco County	100,000
Saber's Assistance To Youth - Dade	100,000"
"Eckerd Youth Alternatives, Inc. - Early Intervention Enhancement (Prevention)	450,000
SER Jobs For Progress - Dade	100,000"
"Boys & Girls' Club Of Monroe County	25,000
Boys & Girls' Club Of Nassau County	100,000
Miami Rivers Of Life/Renewing The Vision (CBIR 3266)	100,000
Multi-Systemic Therapy - Escambia	100,000
R.T.P.E.D.C Computer Education Lab - Dade (CBIR 826)	149,072
Early Truancy Prevention Project - Lee (CBIR 404)	100,000"
"Big Brothers/Big Sisters Of NW Florida - Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton (CBIR 399)	8,000
Volusia Bridges (CBIR 918)	100,000
Volusia Class (CBIR 964)	100,000
Cross Creek Youth Commission - St. Johns (CBIR 3250)	50,000
Alternative Diversion And Prevention Training - Brevard (CBIR 35)	150,000
Florida Keys Juvenile Services - Monroe (CBIR 3322)	20,000
Faith In Families/Family Focused Juvenile Drug Court Services - Escambia (CBIR 228)	150,000
Monroe County Youth Challenge (CBIR 3327)	20,000
Broward Truancy Intervention Program	50,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 1233A, from nonrecurring General Revenue are allocated as follows:

Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida, Inc (CBIR 189)	100,000
The Amer-I-Can Program - Broward & Dade	500,000
Melbourne Police Athletic League (CBIR 57)	150,000
Professional Opportunities Program For Students - Orange (CBIR 1403)	600,000
Monroe County At - Risk Youth	60,000
Brevard Sheriff's Police Athletic League	50,000"

For the Department of Law Enforcement, core programs that have a statewide impact for assisting law enforcement which are supported by the agency were approved. Capital improvement projects to assist local law enforcement were not approved.

Specific Appropriation 1274A  
Page 184 - A portion of proviso language

“, \$35,000 in nonrecurring General Revenue is appropriated for the City of Coconut Creek K-9 Training Field and Kennel(CBIR 549), \$125,000 in nonrecurring General Revenue is appropriated for the Firearms Range and Training Area for the City of Coconut Creek (CBIR 553), and”

**SECTION 5 - NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRONMENT/GROWTH MANAGEMENT/TRANSPORTATION**

Agriculture plays an important role in our state’s economy and heritage. The revenues produced by our local agricultural product sales are evidence of the increased economic activity generated by our communities. Florida’s more than 40,000 farmers generate over \$7 billion in sales per year. Facilities to promote and showcase our top agricultural products are vital community resources, benefiting everyone. Florida has 53 county fairs and livestock shows that were visited last year by over 7

million people. Events such as “4H” shows and direct community and state farmers markets are a distinct part of our culture and a unique feature of many Florida towns and cities. They take place at community agriculture facilities—often called “pavilions.” Our agricultural pavilions and markets reflect local area charm and feature locally produced seasonal fruit and vegetables, flowers, trees, shrubs and livestock. They provide a community market for producers, reminiscent of a bygone era when local markets were the heart of commercial districts.

In the past, we have funded these facilities in a haphazard manner. I believe that these valuable community and agricultural resources would benefit from a more objective, accountable and measurable project review process. We have worked closely with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Legislature to develop such criteria. As I reviewed the 2001-2002 proposed budget, these criteria were used to evaluate each facility. Examples of these criteria include: a 50 percent local match commitment, a requirement that the facility have an operational business plan to ensure that on-going operations and maintenance will be provided at the local level, and specific non-state funding sources for recurring operating costs. This year I am approving \$5.7 million for 19 facilities.

The emergence of “aquaculture” as the art and science of farming in water has grown to become an important part of our production economy in the state. It involves the growing of freshwater and marine fish, shellfish and plants. The food produced by our growing number of “water farmers” is expected to capture increasing shares of the wholesale and retail seafood markets in the future. Aquaculture has grown from total sales in 1987 of \$35 million, to sales of \$110 million in 1997.

The industry has benefited from state funded projects for research and development. The Aquaculture Review Council, authorized in s. 597.005, F.S., makes recommendations on aquaculture policy, research and development needs of the industry. Additionally, the Council develops and submits to the Governor and the Legislature an annual list of projects in priority order.

The Council recommended projects in three groups—Workforce, Research and Industry. Unfortunately, the highest ranked projects were not funded in the 2001-2002 General Appropriations Act while lower ranked projects were included. This year I am approving the highest priority projects recommended by the Council and additional projects identified, with input from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, that provide major, statewide benefit to our agricultural community.

I hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 1394A  
Page 197  
"1394A AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE SUPPRESSION PROGRAM -  
HERNANDO COUNTY  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 132,500"

Specific Appropriation 1434A  
Page 202 - A portion of proviso language  
“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1434A, \$350,000 from the General Inspection Trust Fund is provided for the control of nuisance chironomidae (blind mosquitoes) in Lake Monroe in Seminole County.”

Specific Appropriation 1461  
Pages 204 and 205 - A portion of proviso language  
“\$50,000 from General Revenue Fund is provided for Barnabas Food Distribution Center,”  
“, and \$150,000 from General Revenue Fund is provided for South Florida Food Recovery, Inc.”

Specific Appropriation 1464C  
Page 205  
"1464C FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
ADDITIONS AND REPLACEMENT, POMPANO STATE  
FARMERS' MARKET - DMS MGD  
FROM MARKET IMPROVEMENTS WORKING CAPITAL TRUST FUND 500,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 1464C are provided to the department for renovations and repairs at the Pompano State Farmers Market. The department shall conduct a cost analysis of alternatives available to fund future construction needs at the facility. The alternatives considered must include an analysis of entering into a long-term lease that would include the lessee providing needed renovations and repairs. Other options that may be considered include the cost/benefit of state-funded renovations and repairs and the privatization of the facility. The department shall provide a report of the cost analyses to the Chairs of the committees responsible for the appropriations and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate by January 1, 2002."

## Specific Appropriation 1464D

Page 205

"1464D FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS PLANT CITY STATE FARMERS' MARKET - DMS MGD FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	100,000"
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## Specific Appropriation 1464E

Pages 205 and 206 - A portion of proviso language

"Okaloosa Regional Agricultural Facility	350,000"
"Rodeo Grounds Improvements/Hendry	112,500"
"Wakulla Expo	200,000"

## Specific Appropriation 1471

Page 206 - A portion of proviso language

"Mote Marine Sturgeon Program	500,000
Genetic Study of Shrimp	198,000
Freshwater Shrimp Production	152,811
Indian River Aquaculture Program	100,000"

## Specific Appropriation 1484A

Page 208

"1484A SPECIAL CATEGORIES TRANSFER TO UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA/ INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES - SMALL ANIMAL HOSPITAL FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	100,000"
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The Department of Community Affairs administers a number of programs designed to assist Florida's localities in planning for future growth, responding to disasters, and revitalizing economically distressed areas.

To help meet the emergency management needs of Florida's communities, the Department administers the Emergency Management Competitive Grant Program and the Municipal Competitive Grant Program. Both of these programs provide funds to local governments for facility and equipment upgrades to help prepare for, and more effectively respond to, natural disasters. All such projects are subject to the Department's review and prioritization process before being approved to receive funding under these programs.

Within its Affordable Housing and Neighborhood Redevelopment Program, the Department administers several grant programs designed to help Florida's communities undertake key revitalization projects for economically distressed areas. One of the primary initiatives in this area is the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program, a competitive program in which the Department awards grants to localities for housing, economic development, neighborhood revitalization, and commercial revitalization purposes.

The Department administers several programs designed to encourage the efficient use of energy throughout Florida, including Department of Energy special projects, energy efficiency standards for new and existing buildings, weatherization grants, and home energy assistance. Funding for these initiatives has been evaluated by the Department within the context of accomplishing statewide energy efficiency goals.

I hereby veto the following items:

## Specific Appropriation 1520

Page 212 - A portion of proviso language

"From funds in Specific Appropriation 1520, \$250,000 is provided to the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council for a regional web based data center."

## Specific Appropriation 1522

Page 212 - proviso language

"From funds provided in Specific Appropriation 1522, \$25,000 is provided for the Stock Island Community Master Plan."

## Specific Appropriation 1543A

Pages 214 and 215 - A portion of proviso language

"Red Bay Community Emergency Disaster Center - Walton	166,000
Choctaw Beach Community Emergency Disaster Center Project	166,000
Permanent Elevation/Benchmarking System - Monroe	92,600
Radio Alert System - Monroe	71,125"
"Special Need Shelter Generator - Manatee	300,000
Emergency Operations Center - Dade	100,000
Okaloosa Island Public Safety Center	250,000
Underground Utilities Conversion, Phase II - Orange	250,000
Fire Truck for Graceville	135,000
Fairway Park Building/Emergency Generator - Broward	30,000
Emergency Operations Center - Key Biscayne	750,000
Pinellas Emergency Services Training Complex	250,000
Emergency Planning Pilot Program - Hillsborough	250,000
Emergency Hydraulic Pumps & Generator - Dade	38,816
City Facility Emergency Enhancement Program - Broward	50,000
Port Richey City Hall Emergency Hurricane Shelter	25,000

## From the Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance Trust Fund:

Damage Assessment Plan/Recovery Supplies - Monroe	175,600
Bury Utility Lines - Flager	990,000
Callaway Fire Station - Bay	400,000
Hurricane Mitigation Community Training - Monroe	50,000
Parker City Fire Truck	240,000
Firefighter Thermal Imaging Equipment Matching Grants	360,953"
"Port Richey City Hall Emergency Hurricane Shelter	175,000"
"From the Operating Trust Fund: Emergency Mobile Command Center - Dade	161,204
Regional Community Evacuation Shelter - Marion	1,014,574"

"Funds in Specific Appropriation 1543A for Firefighter Thermal Imaging Equipment Matching Grants shall be utilized for matching grants of up to 80% to local fire departments to purchase thermal imaging devices on every fire apparatus."

## Specific Appropriation 1597B

Page 221 - A portion of proviso language

"City of South Miami-Housing Empowerment Zone - Miami/Dade	300,000 1,000,000"
"Tampa-Hillsborough Urban League HQ & Skills Training Ctr Administration & Community Training Building - Broward	500,000 200,000
Art & Cultural Center for At Risk Kids and Seniors	50,000
Homestead Fiber Optic Network	100,000
Habitat for Humanity Affordable Housing Dev. - Monroe	100,000

From the Operating Trust Fund:	
Telework Tampa Bay	350,000
Bird Road Neighborhood & Cultural Redevelopment - Dade	525,000
Red Cross Center - Dade	25,000
Naples Preserve Education and Information Building	50,000
Keep Putnam Beautiful	25,000
Community Identity Program (Visioning) - Monroe	67,500"

Specific Appropriation 1619A  
Page 223

"1619A FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY GRANTS AND AIDS - ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECTS FROM ENERGY CONSUMPTION TRUST FUND	3,600,000
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Funds in Specific Appropriation 1619A, shall be allocated as follows:

Electrochromic Commercialization Program	1,500,000
Rural Investment Program	1,000,000
Investment Initiative for Energy Technology	1,000,000
Clean Air Cooperative	100,000"

Water is vital to Florida's environment, our state's economy, and our future. It is the essence of our unique state and forms the basis for most all of Florida's ecosystems. One of our toughest challenges is protecting and restoring the water quality in our 7,700 freshwater lakes, 1,700 rivers and streams, and protecting the 33 first magnitude springs that give the Florida landscape much of its character and contribute greatly to our economy. Our once pristine and abundant fresh surface water bodies have been drained, dredged, ditched, diked, impounded and polluted. To implement a better water policy, we began working with the Legislature last year to establish a way to improve water quality and fund more fully surface, waste and storm water management improvement projects. A record \$143 million was provided for these projects last year.

In order to set priorities for this year's limited resources, further direction was needed. Since 1987, under the direction of the Surface Water Improvement and Management (SWIM) Act, the state's five water management districts have evaluated the problems and solutions for identified priority surface waters. Improved stormwater management and treatment are critical components of most SWIM plans. The state's water management districts have forged excellent partnerships with local governments to improve stormwater management.

The surface water projects of the districts require scientific research to justify designation as a SWIM water body and for development of required restoration plans for the priority waterbodies. This year, the five water management districts proposed projects for priority waterbodies that provide significant water quality or stormwater management improvements for important regional water resources. Projects that meet this priority designation by the water management districts and were approved by the Department of Environmental Protection are approved. In addition, projects that have sustained substantial state historical funding commitments and where federal funds are committed are also approved.

Funding for wastewater treatment projects is also crucial to protecting our state's water resources. This year, funding for these projects was provided to those reviewed by the Water Advisory Panel that received funding in fiscal year 2000-2001. Projects in disadvantaged communities that met this criteria were given priority. In addition, the Legislature generously provided \$13.5 million in state funds with a federal match of over \$67 million for low interest loans. These loans are available to all projects statewide.

Florida has a long-standing policy of conserving natural lands and waters, affording residents and visitors quality recreational experiences. The Florida state park system was created to achieve this worthy policy and currently attracts over 16 million visitors per year. The Legislature has once again provided generously to continue the commitment of enhancing our state parks and our greenways and trails systems, with over \$148.8 million appropriated for the upcoming fiscal year. In addition, over \$27 million was appropriated to fund the entire Florida Recreational Development Assistance Program (FRDAP). FRDAP provides

local recreational opportunities for our communities, and I am pleased to approve the projects that went through this statewide grant application and review process.

Finally, Florida's rich diversity and abundance of plant and animal species makes it unique. This diversity and abundance brings with it a responsibility to protect and preserve the diversity, maintain the abundance, and prevent extinction. Florida is home to 530 endangered and threatened species. Projects for enhanced research and new technologies to preserve and enhance our wildlife resources are approved.

I hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 1724  
Page 235 - A portion of proviso language

"From the \$1,200,000 included in this priority list for Statewide Inlet/Beach Management Plans, \$115,000 shall be provided for the St. Lucie Inlet Management Plan and \$81,000 shall be provided for Hutchinson Island Beach Nourishment."

Specific Appropriation 1740C  
Page 237

"1740C SPECIAL CATEGORIES TRANSFER INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE SCIENCES (IFAS) - FLORIDA LAKEWATCH/ PROJECT COAST FROM WATER QUALITY ASSURANCE TRUST FUND	400,000"
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Specific Appropriation 1741  
Page 237 - proviso language

"Funds in Specific Appropriation 1741 include \$100,000 in non-recurring General Revenue for the Wetlands Learning Lab Demonstration Project at the IGFA Fishing Hall of Fame and Museum in Broward County."

Specific Appropriation 1748  
Pages 238 and 239 - A portion of proviso language

"Bayside Water Treatment Plant--Brevard	75,000"
"Big Escambia Creek Restoration-- Escambia	300,000
Big Tree Stormwater Treatment Facility-- Volusia	300,000"
"City of Blountstown Sewer Expansion Upgrade--Calhoun	750,000
City of Chattahoochee Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvement Program--Gadsden	150,000
City of Clearwater Stevenson Creek Estuary	1,000,000"
"City of South Daytona - Nova/Reed Canal Basin Stormwater Facility--Volusia	400,000
City of West Miami Wastewater Collection System	1,000,000
Curiosity Creek, Sulphur Springs Sinks Restoration Project--Hillsborough	500,000
East Miramar Master Drainage Study--Broward	300,000"
"East Pass - Restoration, Bay County	500,000
Eglin Parkway (SR 85) Stormwater Improvements	40,000"
"Emergency Generator Winson Water Plant--Dade	200,000"
"Four 4 Corners Drainage Improvements	500,000
Funding for Non-Functional Septic Tanks (Anastasia Island)	800,000
Funding for Non-Functional Septic Tanks (Ponte Vedra)	800,000
Gator Slough Watershed Enhancement and Management--Lee	1,000,000"
"Implementation of BMP's for water conservation at USF Golf Course	500,000"

"Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative	1,000,000"	NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY OPTIMIZATION OF RECLAIMED WATER TO MEET FUTURE NEEDS FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	100,000
"Modernizing Governance of Water Management--Broward County	100,000"	Funds in Specific Appropriation 1755B are provided to the City of Tampa Sewer Department."	
"Moore Haven, Ranch Lakes Estates, Stormwater	200,000	Specific Appropriation 1755C Page 241	
North LaBelle Water and Sewer Improvements--Hendry	200,000"	"1755C GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY RECLAIMED WATER REUSE SYSTEM EXPANSION FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	184,135"
"NW 6th Street Stormwater Drainage Project--Citrus	100,000"	Specific Appropriation 1790A Page 244	
"Phillippi Creek Septic Tank Replacement Project--Sarasota	500,000	"1790A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY FLORIDA ORGANICS RECYCLING CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FROM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND	1,000,000"
Potable Water Improvements--Madison	100,000		
Reclaimed Water System Expansion for the City of Fort Myers	200,000		
River Oaks Drainage Study--Broward	100,000		
Rural/Urban Stormwater Treatment Program--Palm Beach	200,000"	Specific Appropriation 1806 Page 245 - proviso language	
"Septic Tank Impacts in the Coastal Zone--Escambia	80,000	"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1806, \$25,000 in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund is for land acquisition along the North Fork of the New River in Broward County"	
"St. Andrews Bay Strategic Management Plan	300,000"		
"Stone Island Central Sewer System Expansion--Volusia	879,570	Specific Appropriation 1814B Page 246	
Storm Water/Wastewater Modeling--Broward	149,500"	"1814B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY RODMAN PARK FROM LAND ACQUISITION TRUST FUND	300,000"
"Subsection 7 Sewer Replacement & Rehab--Osceola Co	500,000"	Specific Appropriation 1814D Page 246	
"Unit 6 Septic tank Elimination--City of Palm Bay--Brevard	750,000	"1814D GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY SISTER CREEK PARK FROM LAND ACQUISITION TRUST FUND	1,500,000"
Upper Lake Tohopekaliga Restoration--Osceola	2,000,000"		
"Water Quality Analysis, Lemon Bay--Charlotte	75,000	Specific Appropriation 1814E Page 246 - A portion of proviso language	
Water Quality and Fire Hydrant/GPS Project--Broward	100,400"	"Carpenter Sand Pine Preserve--Broward Florida Oceanographic Society--Martin Heritage Park Foundation in Pasco County	300,000 400,000 100,000"
"Welaka Waste Water	200,000	"Legion Waterfront Park--Dade	600,000"
West St. Augustine Stormwater and Sewer Renovation	250,000		
Winsberg Farm Wetland Restoration--Palm Beach	750,000"	Specific Appropriation 1884A Page 252	
"\$45,000 shall be provided to the St. Johns River Water Management District for paying administrative, per diem, and travel expenses of the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council and"		"1884A SPECIAL CATEGORIES TRANSFER TO THE FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION - HARBOR BRANCH OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION FROM COASTAL PROTECTION TRUST FUND	1,000,000"
Specific Appropriation 1749A Page 240 - A portion of proviso language "Oceans Economic Impact Study	1,000,000"	Specific Appropriation 1884B Page 252	
Specific Appropriation 1755A Pages 240 and 241 "1755A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY POTABLE WATER RESOURCE STUDY - OKALOOSA COUNTY FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	250,000	"1884B SPECIAL CATEGORIES TRANSFER TO FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION/DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL - PANAMA CITY FROM COASTAL PROTECTION TRUST FUND	600,000"
Funds in Specific Appropriation 1755A, are provided for alternative water supplies and water resource development in Okaloosa County by the Northwest Florida Water Management District."		Specific Appropriation 1923A Page 256	
Specific Appropriation 1755B Page 241 "1755B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND		"1923A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY EMERSON POINT CLASSROOM MANATEE COUNTY FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	600,000"
		Specific Appropriation 1960B Page 260	

"1960B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL - PANAMA CITY FROM MARINE RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND 600,000"

Specific Appropriation 1968A  
Page 261

"1968A SPECIAL CATEGORIES SAWGRASS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FROM NON-GAME WILDLIFE TRUST FUND 75,000"

Specific Appropriation 1976A  
Page 262

"1976A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY WILDLIFE HOSPITAL- WILDLIFE SANCTUARY OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA FROM NON-GAME WILDLIFE TRUST FUND 53,000"

Specific Appropriation 1988A  
Page 263

"1988A FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY FISH HATCHERY AT RODMAN DAM FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 800,000"

Specific Appropriation 1988B  
Page 263

"1988B FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY RODMAN - BOAT RAMP AND PARKING FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 500,000"

Specific Appropriation 1998  
Page 265 - A portion of proviso language

“, \$125,000 for Shark Sawfish Research-Mote Marine Laboratory,”

Specific Appropriation 2005A  
Page 266

"2005A SPECIAL CATEGORIES CHOCTAWHATCHEE BAY STUDY - FISH KILLS FROM MARINE RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND 200,000"

Specific Appropriation 2005D  
Page 266

"2005D GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY HARBOR BRANCH OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION FROM MARINE RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND 1,000,000"

As in past years, the Legislature has funded the Department of Transportation's Five-Year Work Program, which contains projects designed to maintain and improve our state's interconnected transportation system. Such projects contribute to the mobility of people and goods, provide a foundation for the continuation of Florida's economic prosperity, and help maintain the quality of Florida's environment. Through such projects, the department is involved in activities relating to public transit, aviation, intermodal transportation development, rail activities, and seaports. In addition, the department directs the design, construction, and maintenance of highway facilities and regulates the vehicle size and weight of commercial motor vehicles.

Projects are placed in the work program for each Department of Transportation district after being developed in collaboration with the various metropolitan planning organizations of the state, a process which includes project prioritization. Prior to a district submitting its work plan to the department's central office, a public meeting is held to hear any requests for new projects and any changes or deletions to projects in the plan. All district work programs are then submitted to the central office, which are combined and reviewed to ensure that they are in compliance with the department's work program instructions and do not exceed revenues available for work program expenditures.

This year, the Transportation Outreach Program (TOP) was established to provide funding for high priority transportation projects, based on the prevailing principles of preserving the existing transportation infrastructure, enhancing Florida's economic growth and competitiveness, and improving travel choices to ensure mobility. With these broad policy

goals in mind, the TOP Advisory Council reviewed and prioritized projects to be funded from this program. I believe that while this evaluation process must be improved, those projects recommended by the TOP Council did receive a statutory review and should be funded. Therefore, any additional projects in the budget that were not approved by the TOP Council are not being approved for funding.

I hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 2032  
Page 269 - A portion of proviso language

"From funds in Specific Appropriations 2032, the Department is authorized, pursuant to Section 338.251, Florida Statutes, to advance up to \$1,400,000 to the Santa Rosa Bay Bridge Authority to defray shortages necessary to pay debt service in toll revenues occurring in the Santa Rosa Bay Bridge System, which was created and established pursuant to Section 348.968, Florida Statutes. Such advance shall be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule Chapter 14-88, Florida Administrative Code, and shall be reimbursed within 5 years of the last advance. As a condition of receiving these funds until advances under these provisions are repaid to the Department of Transportation, the Santa Rosa Bay Bridge Authority shall secure the approval of the Secretary of the Department of Transportation for the annual administrative budget and prior to any restructuring of the bonds outstanding for the Garcon Point Bridge."

Specific Appropriation 2045  
Pages 270 through 272 - A portion of proviso language

"CR 769 - Kings Highway - DeSoto	50,000
CR 210/US 1 Intersection St. Johns Co	500,000
Matanzas Wood Overpass - Flagler Co	280,000
Interstate Connector - Alabama to Okaloosa	750,000
ITS System - Bay Co	500,000
Widening of Substandard Roads - Flagler	400,000
Ybor Station Intermodal Facility - Pinellas	500,000
Boulevard 2000-SR40 - Ormond Beach	400,000
Orlando-Sanford Airport	1,000,000
I-65 Hurricane Evacuation Study	1,000,000
St. Lucie West/I-95 Interchange Completion	50,000
4 Street Improvements in Daytona Beach	3,700,000
Ship Assembly and New Cruise Terminal	2,000,000
Jet Aircraft Maint. Hanger - Melbourne	500,000
Lynx Operating	1,000,000
Metropolitan Area Mass Transit - Miami-Dade	11,770,000"
"Roadway Enhancements - Miami Beach	100,000
US 19 Control Access	1,739,919
Brooksville Downtown Traffic Pattern	1,000,000
East Hillsborough Aviation Improvements	967,150
Osceola Turnpike Access Study	1,000,000
Sligh Ave. Extension/Vandenburg Airport Access	500,000
US 17/92 from Shepard Rd. To Lake Mary Blvd	950,000
US 319 from Four Points to US 98	2,500,000
Relocate U.S. 1 in Palm Beach Co	100,000"

"Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2045 for Metropolitan Area Mass Transit shall be provided for a bus replacement program in Miami-Dade County to be administered by the Miami-Dade Transit Agency. These funds shall require a non-state match of 40%. Of the funds appropriated, 60% shall be provided for new feeder/circulator buses which travel the main routes. The remaining 40% of the funds shall be provided for an increase or renovation of the existing main bus fleet."

Specific Appropriation 2052  
Page 273 - proviso language

"From funds in Specific Appropriation 2052, \$4,500,000 is provided for expenses necessary to evaluate and make recommendations on establishing a high speed ground transportation system as required by Article 10, Section 19 of the Florida Constitution."

Specific Appropriation 2073  
Page 275 - proviso language

"From funds in Specific Appropriation 2073, \$269,047 shall be reimbursed to Miami-Dade County on behalf of the City of Coral Gables for transportation impact fees which were not expended in accordance with Miami-Dade County Roadway Impact Fee Ordinance 88-112. This payment represents the first of two equal payments."

SECTION 6 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT

The following items are hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 2110  
Page 279  
"2110 SPECIAL CATEGORIES  
COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 223,882"

Specific Appropriation 2301B  
Page 297  
"2301B SPECIAL CATEGORIES  
FLORIDA TOBACCO PILOT - ENFORCEMENT  
FROM TOBACCO SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND 4,587,393"

Funding for economic development, which is primarily contained within the budget of the Governor's Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development (OTTED), represents a solid blueprint for the continued development of Florida's economic prosperity during the 21st century.

There are economic development programs within OTTED and Enterprise Florida with criteria in place for reviewing and ranking economic development projects, and such projects are properly evaluated within this framework. As these programs have clearly stated goals and performance expectations, we can and should utilize established evaluation criteria to ensure that the most beneficial economic development projects are the ones which ultimately receive state assistance.

The following have not been evaluated by OTTED or Enterprise Florida, and therefore are hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 2365  
Page 305 - A portion of proviso language  
"Perrine Cutler-Ridge 30,000"

Specific Appropriation 2366  
Pages 305 and 306 - A portion of proviso language  
"Enterprise Florida-Space Programs Office  
for the Space Industry Committee 100,000"

"Funds in Specific Appropriation 2366 allocated to Enterprise Florida-Space Programs Office for the Space Industry Committee shall be utilized by Enterprise Florida to provide administrative and program support for the Space Industry Committee. Such funds may be used for the marketing, auditing, planning, and development initiatives of the Space Industry Committee."

Specific Appropriation 2367A  
Pages 306 and 307 - A portion of proviso language  
"Beaver Street Enterprise Center 200,000"

"Florida Sports Hall of Fame and Museum  
of Florida Sports History 250,000"

"Niceville-Valparaiso-Bay Area Chamber of  
Commerce 150,000"

"Plant City-International Softball  
Federation (ISF) Stadium 700,000"

"Miami Metro Action Plan 250,000  
Outreach Learning Center 200,000  
Hispanic Business Development 300,000"

"Rail Enhancement, Task Force Study -  
Palm Beach 100,000"

"Vecinos en Accion - Dade 120,000  
Virtual NET - Dade 200,000  
Perrine Commercial Redevelopment Area 25,000  
Women's Business Center - Pinellas 24,000  
Futures Unlimited Immokalee Workforce  
Demonstration Project 75,000"

"Airport Industrial Park Upgrade -  
Calhoun 350,000  
Network Infrastructure Upgrade - Lee 26,400  
Car Control Clinic Pilot Program -  
Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade 100,000  
Airport Industrial Park West - St. Lucie 2,000,000"

"Commerce Park & Aviation Complex  
Infrastructure - Seminole 750,000  
Port Brownfield Assessment/Clean Up -  
Hillsborough 500,000  
Florida Citrus Sports Association,  
Inc 200,000  
Orange Bowl Committee, Inc 200,000"

"LaBelle Airport Economic Development  
Project 100,000"

"Florida Manufacturing Technology  
Center 200,000"

Specific Appropriation 2368  
Page 307 - A portion of proviso language

"From funds in Specific Appropriation 2368 for Defense Infrastructure, up to \$857,190 shall be provided to Miami-Dade County for completion of the water system at Homestead Air Reserve Base.

From funds in Specific Appropriation 2368 for Defense Infrastructure, \$2,500,000 shall be provided to promote access to defense facilities by four-laning State Road 123."

The budget for the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) includes funding for many enhancements to the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) program. Overtime pay for FHP troopers has been approved in the amount of \$2.0 million. The FHP auxiliary has received \$150,000 that can be used to purchase weapons for the many volunteers across the state. Finally, the unused funds from this year are being continued so that the Department can continue their program to install computer laptops in each Florida Highway Patrol trooper's car.

The following items are hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 2389F  
Page 310  
"2389F FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
NEW FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL ACADEMY -  
GADSDEN COUNTY - DMS MGD  
FROM HIGHWAY SAFETY OPERATING TRUST FUND 500,000"

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2389F, are to construct a training facility designed and constructed consistent with the plan developed to house all State training programs at the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy for Region 15 and 16. Additionally, the Department is authorized to enter into agreements necessary to expedite the construction of the facility."

Specific Appropriation 2424  
Page 314 - proviso language

"Funds in Specific Appropriation 2424 include \$300,000 for the payment of the \$3 Internet E-commerce service fee to the contractor rather than assessing an additional \$3 fee to customers renewing or changing the address on their driver license or renewing their vehicle registration."

Specific Appropriation 2426C  
Page 314  
"2426C FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
NEW DRIVER LICENSE OFFICE - PALM BEACH  
GARDENS - DMS MGD  
FROM HIGHWAY SAFETY OPERATING TRUST FUND 3,246,366"

Funds in Specific Appropriations 2426C and 2426D are contingent upon sufficient proceeds from the sale of the Palm Beach Gardens facility located at 3185 PGA Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens and the Winter Park facility located at 940 West Canton Avenue, Winter Park, to cover the amounts appropriated for new facilities in these respective areas."

Specific Appropriation 2426D  
Page 314

"2426D FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
NEW DRIVER LICENSES OFFICE - ORANGE COUNTY  
- DMS MGD  
FROM HIGHWAY SAFETY OPERATING TRUST FUND 2,937,800"

The following items are hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 2578D  
Page 334 - proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2578D, \$2.9 million shall be used to fund an extension of the current instant ticket vending machine contract for the 2001-2002 fiscal year, and to study the financial impact of the instant ticket vending machine program. The results of the study shall be presented to the presiding officers of both houses of the Legislature and to the Chairs of the relevant legislative committees no later than the 10th day of the 2002 legislative session."

Specific Appropriation 2675A  
Page 344 - A portion of proviso language

"Of the funds provided, \$80,000 shall be used for special project monitoring of the maintenance and support of the System, pursuant to section 282.322, Florida Statutes. The \$80,000 shall be transferred to the Technology Review Workgroup pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 2686A  
Page 345

"2686A AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
CITY OF MARGATE FIBER OPTIC CABLE  
EXPANSION - BROWARD COUNTY  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 85,000"

Specific Appropriation 2686B  
Page 345

"2686B AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
CITY OF COCONUT CREEK FIBER CONNECTION  
PROJECT - BROWARD COUNTY  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 250,000"

Specific Appropriation 2687  
Page 345

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2687, the following projects are funded:

Enhanced 911 Program - Lafayette County 100,000  
911 Operations - Union County 125,000  
911 Addressing and Signage - Dixie County 100,000"

Each year millions of dollars in funding are approved for historical and cultural projects, but only after they have been submitted to the department for review, evaluation, and recommendation by the Florida Historic Preservation Advisory Council, the Florida Museum Grants Advisory Committee, or the Florida Arts Council. All historical and cultural projects that were approved by the department through its evaluation process received funding in this budget.

I hereby veto the following appropriations:

Specific Appropriation 2912B  
Page 368

"2912B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND  
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
HISTORICAL PROJECTS  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 480,000"

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2912B are provided for the following programs and projects:

Old Courthouse Exterior Restoration 230,000  
Biltmore Complex in Coral Gables 250,000"

Specific Appropriation 2931A  
Page 370

"2931A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND  
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY  
LIBRARY PROJECTS  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 200,000"

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2931A are provided for the construction of the Fort Walton Beach Library."

Specific Appropriation 2946A  
Page 372 - A portion of proviso language

"Smithsonian Marine Station Extension-Public  
Outreach & Educ 155,000"

"Islamorada Restoration of Pacific Reef  
Lighthouse 10,000  
Hallandale Cultural Community Center 50,000"

"South Florida Museum/Bishop Planetarium 750,000"

Specific Appropriation 2953E  
Page 374

"2953E SPECIAL CATEGORIES  
HISTORIC PENSACOLA PROJECTS  
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 2,650,000"

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2953E are provided for the following programs and projects:

Historic Preservation Board 2,000,000  
T.T. Wentworth Museum and Historic  
Pensacola Village 650,000"

SECTION 7 - JUDICIAL BRANCH

Only programs core to the judicial branch were approved in the budget of the State Court System. In the area of Article V expenditures, appropriations that pay for services currently funded by local government, such as conflict counsel and local-court expenses, were not approved. State funding responsibilities required by Revision 7 to the Florida Constitution, passed in 1998, are not effective until 2004. My office has been and will continue to study issues relating to Article V and Revision 7 to the Florida Constitution. I have approved the expenditure of \$800,000 to allow the Joint Legislative Committee on Article V to retain consultants or staff to assist in implementing Revision 7 and studying the cost of such implementation. I believe it is unwise to continue to fund an indeterminate portion of the Article V costs with the Article V Trust Fund until this effort is complete. Current funds in the County Article V Trust Fund will remain available for funding the state's Article V responsibilities in 2004.

Specific Appropriation 2967  
Page 376

"2967 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
CONFLICT COUNSEL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT  
FROM COUNTY ARTICLE V TRUST FUND 5,707,000"

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2967, from the County Article V Trust Fund, are provided to continue the criminal trial court conflict counsel pilot projects initially approved in the FY 2000-01 General Appropriations Act, as follows:

\$ 285,350 for Polk County;  
\$ 4,280,250 for Dade County; and  
\$ 1,141,400 for Hillsborough County."

Specific Appropriation 2969  
Page 377

"2969 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
GRANTS AND AIDS - ARTICLE V  
FROM COUNTY ARTICLE V TRUST FUND 10,793,268"

The funds in Specific Appropriation 2969 shall be distributed as follows: counties with populations less than 90,000 shall each receive a minimum of \$100,000, and the remaining funds shall be distributed among the other counties on a pro-rata basis according to the County Article V

Trust Fund distribution plan developed by the Office of the State Courts Administrator. The Office of the State Courts Administrator shall provide a report to the Senate Appropriations Committee, the House Fiscal Responsibility Council and the Governor's Office of Policy and Budgeting describing the distribution of these funds for FY 01-02."

Specific Appropriation 2978A  
Page 378

"2978A SPECIAL CATEGORIES  
GRANTS AND AIDS - COURT REPORTER SERVICES  
FROM COUNTY ARTICLE V TRUST FUND 3,525,887

Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2978A are provided for counties to defray the costs of reporting depositions and court proceedings that are required by law to be covered at public expense. The funds shall be distributed to the counties using a pro-rata distribution based on Fiscal Year 1999-2000 felony filings per county."

#### OTHER SECTIONS

The following sections are hereby vetoed:

Section 12  
Page 396

"SECTION 12. The unencumbered balance of funds provided in Specific Appropriation 54A Chapter 99-226, Laws of Florida, for Teaching Academies shall revert on June 30, 2001, and is appropriated for the purposes of the original appropriation to the Panhandle Area Education Consortium. The Panhandle Area Education Consortium shall match these funds with cash from any public or private source."

Section 31  
Page 399

"SECTION 31. The unencumbered General Revenue balance of funds provided in Specific Appropriation 1925, Chapter 99-226, Laws of Florida, for the West Palm Beach Regional Service Center shall revert on June 30, 2001, and is hereby re-appropriated and authorized to cover expenses associated with final architectural work and permitting costs for the Second District Court of Appeal branch courthouse located in Hillsborough County."

Section 39  
Page 400

"SECTION 39. From the unexpended General Revenue funds in Specific Appropriations 621A and 626 of Chapter 95-429, Laws of Florida, \$278,697 and \$2,046,303, respectively, shall revert effective June 30, 2001, and \$2,325,000 is hereby reappropriated for an electronic medical record system. With these funds the Department of Corrections is directed to competitively procure an electronic medical record system. At a minimum, the electronic medical record system shall:

- (a) provide access to clinical, administrative, and financial information on a real-time basis;
- (b) provide a comprehensive database to enable healthcare providers to evaluate and compare clinical information and effectiveness of treatment;
- (c) offer healthcare providers automated support for routine activities such as placing orders, scheduling appointments, and writing medication orders and prescriptions; and
- (d) provide multiple, simultaneous access to patient and administrative information. The Department of Corrections and the State-wide Technology Office shall review proposals and jointly select the successful vendor. The funds hereby appropriated initially shall be placed in reserve and may be released via budget amendment in accordance with the provisions of sections 216.177 and 216.181, Florida Statutes."

#### UNCONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIO LANGUAGE

In addition to my veto of the above provisions, I am concerned that the following proviso language from Senate Bill 2000, although not subject to my veto, likely violates Article III, Section 12 of the Florida Constitution. This proviso language, by changing or amending substantive law or by qualifying or restricting appropriations through provisions that

are not directly and rationally related to the purpose of the respective appropriations, compromises the integrity of the legislative process. I have therefore directed my legal office to take action to secure a judicial determination that the following proviso language is unconstitutional and consequently null and void.

#### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Specific Appropriation 227  
Page 60 - A portion of proviso language provides:

No local matching funds are required for FY 2001-02 for the Kid-Care program, however, the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall develop and implement a local match policy for the purpose of continuing and expanding coverage of uninsured children who do not meet the eligibility requirements of Title XXI. The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall replace local match from 2000-2001 funding.

This proviso language attempts to change or amend substantive law by establishing a policy excusing all local match for the Kidcare program, in spite of the statutory requirement that Florida Healthy Kids Corporation "establish each year a maximum number of participants by county, on a statewide basis, who may enroll in the program without the benefit of local matching funds." s.624.91(15) Fla. Stat.

Specific Appropriation 229  
Page 60 - A portion of proviso language provides:

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 229, the Agency for Health Care Administration and Department of Health shall design an Integrated Pediatric Care System for the area of the state covering the Department of Children and Family Services' Districts 1 and 2. This pilot program shall be a seamless managed health care system and include children who are eligible for Medicaid, Medikids and the CMS Network. The Agency for Health Care Administration and Department of Health shall submit a report to the Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and President of the Senate no later than November 1, 2001.

This proviso language attempts to change or amend substantive law by establishing a pilot project requiring the combination into one managed care system of three programs that were legislatively established as distinct programs. ss.391.11-391.35, ss.409.810- 409.821, and s.624.91 Fla. Stat.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Program: Children's Special Health Care

Page 120 - A portion of proviso language provides:

The department shall certify as a health care provider in the Children's Medical Services Network all programs of any children's hospital owned or operated by the state, a county, or special district that is located in a county with a population greater than 1 million persons. The department shall issue said certification not later than 30 days after the receipt of written request from a children's hospital.

This proviso language attempts to change or amend substantive law by mandating that the Department of Health certify as a health care provider in the Children's Medical Services Network a program under a different standard than the standard the Department of Health is statutorily required to develop and apply. s.391.026 (10) Fla. Stat.

Specific Appropriation 629A  
Page 125 - A portion of proviso language provides:

Any Florida resident who is a student at, or graduate of, any of the four United States Military Academies who qualifies for assignment to the Medical Corps of the United States Military, shall be admitted to any Medical School in the State University System.

This proviso language attempts to change or amend substantive law by establishing requirements for admission into any medical school in the state university system although the authority to establish the standards for such admission resides in the universities subject to the requirements of the Board of Regents and soon the Florida Board of Education. s.240.233 Fla. Stat.; Senate Bill 1162. Additionally this proviso language attempting to amend admissions standards for medical schools is not directly and rationally related to the purpose of an appropriation for Grants and Aids funding for Shands Teaching Hospital.

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Specific Appropriation 2022

Page 268- A portion of proviso language provides:

Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2022 for projects in Leon County are contingent upon the county removing road impediments on Lake Bradford Road between the junction of Lake Bradford Road and Orange Avenue and Capitol Circle Southwest.

This proviso language is not directly and rationally related to a \$458 million dollar appropriation for construction of arterial roads.

## DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND TREASURER

Specific Appropriation 2463, 2464 and 2465

Page 318- A portion of proviso language provides:

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 2463, 2464 and 2465, the State Treasurer is authorized to develop a plan to establish, abolish, or consolidate bureaus, sections, and subsections to reallocate duties and functions in order to promote effective and efficient operation of budget entities within the Department of Insurance. The Treasurer shall submit the plan to the Legislative Budget Commission for approval no later than December 31, 2001. Any reorganization approval by the Legislative Budget Commission shall be implemented pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 216, Florida Statutes.

This proviso language attempts to change or amend substantive law by allowing the State Treasurer to establish, abolish, or consolidate bureaus, sections, and subsections in spite of the statutory requirement that any such reorganization may only be done pursuant to the recommendation of the Department of Management Services and the approval of the Executive office of the Governor. s.20.04(7) Fla. Stat.

## DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Specific Appropriation 2789

Page 354- A portion of proviso language provides:

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2789 are authorized for a commission to consult with the Department of Revenue to develop the most practicable methodology in determining the correct property situs for collecting the excise taxes as provided in sections 175.101 and 185.08, Florida Statutes. The Commission shall be comprised of thirteen members appointed as follows. The Governor shall appoint seven members; three of which shall be representatives from the Florida Police Benevolent Association, Inc., three of which shall be representatives from the Florida Professional firefighters, and one of which shall be a representative of the Municipal and Firefighters Section of the Florida Retirement System. The President of the Senate shall appoint four members; one of which shall be a representative from the Florida Insurance Council representing personal lines insurers, one of which shall be a person with an accounting and legal background familiar with insurance related taxes in Florida, one person who shall be a representative of the Florida League of Cities, and the chair of the Senate Finance and Tax or designee. The Speaker of the House shall appoint four members, one which shall be a representative from the American Insurance Association representing commercial insurers, one of which shall be a person with a legal background familiar with insurance related taxes in Florida and one who shall be a representative of the Florida League of Cities, and the chair of the Fiscal Policy and Resources or designee.

The Commission shall develop one or more methodologies which appropriately identifies [sic] the property location for the collection of excise taxes from insurers. The recommended methodologies shall provide for the distribution of the insurance premium tax in such a way that no municipality or special fire control district will receive in any year less than it received in the year 2001, and it shall provide that each qualified municipality or special fire control district receive an amount of the insurance premium tax revenue which is equal to the percentage required in the relevant sections of Florida Statutes on the total premiums paid for property and casualty risks in that municipality or special fire control district.

The study shall evaluate the impact of various methodologies on participating municipalities and special fire control districts and the cost and feasibility for insurers of complying with each methodology. The Commission shall submit to the Legislature by January 1, 2002, a report containing the results of its study and any recommendations.

Until July 1, 2002, the Department of Insurance shall not take any action to audit insurers or finalize any pending audits of insurers with respect to the accuracy of coding the location of insured properties for purposes associated with these premium taxes.

All appointments to the Commission shall be made by July 1, 2001. Each Commission member shall be responsible for his/her expenses. The Commission is abolished January 2, 2002. The staffs of the Senate Finance and Taxation Committee and the House Fiscal Policy and Resources Committee shall provide administrative support for the Commission. All meetings of the Commission shall be held in Tallahassee.

This proviso language is not directly and rationally related to an appropriation for the expenses of the Department of Revenue.

The portions of Senate Bill 2000 which are set forth herein with my objections are hereby vetoed, and all other portions of Senate Bill 2000 are hereby approved.

Sincerely,  
Jeb Bush, Governor

**The bills, together with the Governor's objections thereto, were referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.**

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*Zero Based Budgeting Subcommittee on General Government:* Senator Clary, Chairman; Senators King and Latvala

*Zero Based Budgeting Subcommittee on Health and Human Services:* Senator Silver, Chairman; Senators Peaden and Rossin

*Zero Based Budgeting Subcommittee on Public Safety:* Senators Campbell, Cowin and Crist

**Joint Legislative Committee on Article V**

Senator Crist, Alternating Chairman; Senators Campbell, Laurent and Villalobos

**Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Relations**

Senator Mitchell, Alternating Chairman; Senators Diaz de la Portilla, Klein and Sebesta

**CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL**

The Journal of May 4 was corrected and approved.

**RECESS**

On motion by Senator Lee, the Senate recessed at 11:30 a.m. for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, October 25 or upon call of the President.