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AGENCY SUNSET REVIEW UPDATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Issue Description

Sections 11.901-920, F.S., are known as the Florida Government Accountability Act. Under this act, most state agencies, including the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (department) and its advisory committees, are subject to a "sunset" review process to determine whether they should be retained, modified or abolished.

As part of the department's Sunset Review, the Senate Committee on Transportation held meetings on December 11, 2007, and on January 22, 2008, and heard extensive testimony regarding the duties and responsibilities of the department. The committee also reviewed and considered Interim Mandatory Review 2008-215. On March 6, 2008, the committee made its recommendations to the Senate President.

While some of the recommendations of the committee have become law, the department was not continued as a result of the Governor's Veto of HB 5067 for the reasons stated by the Governor; therefore, the department and its advisory committees are subject to continuing review and may be abolished on June 30, 2009, unless the Legislature continues the department.

Background

Under the Florida Government Accountability Act, reviews are accomplished in three steps. First, an agency under review must produce a report providing specific information, as enumerated in s. 11.906, F.S. Upon receipt of the agency information, the Joint Legislative Sunset Committee and the House and Senate committees assigned to act as sunset review committees must review the information submitted and may request studies by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA).

Based on the agency submissions, the OPPAGA studies and public input, the Joint Legislative Sunset Committee and the legislative sunset review committees will:

- Make recommendations on the abolition, continuation, or reorganization of each state agency and its advisory committees and on the need for the performance of the functions of the agency and its advisory committees; and
- Make recommendations on the consolidation, transfer, or reorganization of programs within state agencies not under review when the programs duplicate functions performed in agencies under review.

In addition, the House and Senate sunset review committees must propose legislation necessary to carry out the committees' recommendations.

An agency subject to review is scheduled to be abolished on June 30 following the date of review as specified in s. 11.905, F.S., provided the Legislature finds all state laws the agency had responsibility to implement or enforce have been repealed, revised, or reassigned to another remaining agency and adequate provision has been made to transfer

certain duties and obligations to a successor agency. If an agency is not abolished, continued, or reorganized, the agency shall continue to be subject to annual sunset review by the Legislature.

The Senate Committee on Transportation is the primary sunset review committee for reviews within the department. The Senate Committee on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations is assisting in this review.

As part of the Sunset Review, the committee held meetings on December 11, 2007, and on January 22, 2008, and heard extensive testimony regarding the duties and responsibilities of the department. The committee also reviewed and considered Interim Mandatory Review 2008-215. On March 6, 2008, the committee made the following recommendations to the Senate President:

- The Legislature should continue the department.
- The Legislature should delete the obsolete Bureau of Motor Vehicle Inspection.
- The Legislature should continue the Florida Highway Patrol Advisory Council, the Automobile Dealer Advisory Board, the DUI Programs Review Board, and the Medical Advisory Board.
- The Legislature should abolish the Florida At-Risk Driver Council.
- The Legislature should adjust the driver's license and ID card fee structure to promote more tax collector participation in providing driver's license and ID card services.
- The Legislature should implement federal REAL ID requirements.
- The Legislature should support measures to improve customer services for driver's licenses.
- The Legislature should analyze data centers and administrative services of all state agencies to determine whether consolidation, transfer or reorganization of these services would provide a significant cost savings.

During the 2008 Legislative Session, the 2008 Legislature did enact legislation which did the following:

- Continued the department and the Florida Highway Patrol Advisory Council, the Automobile Dealer Advisory Board, the DUI Programs Review Board, and the Medical Advisory Board. (See HB 5067.)
- Deleted the obsolete Bureau of Motor Vehicle Inspection. (See HB 5067.)
- Abolished the Florida At-Risk Driver Council. (See SB 1992.)
- Implemented federal REAL ID requirements and measures to improve customer service. (See SB 1992.)
- Consolidated data centers of many state agencies. (See HB 1892.)
- Adopted some of the Interim Mandatory Review 2008-215 recommendations into the General Appropriations Act. (See HB 5001.)

While some of the recommendations of the committee have become law, the department was not continued as a result of the Governor's Veto of HB 5067. Specifically, HB 5067 included a provision directing the selection process for fuel, food, and other service contracts along the Florida Turnpike. The Veto Message states:

Limiting the competitiveness of the procurement and squeezing out potential bidders increases cost to the Turnpike System: therefore, increasing costs to Florida's motorists.

I have based my administration upon openness and access to information. Specifically, I have directed agencies to conduct open, competitive, and transparent procurements. I believe that we must protect the confidence citizens have entrusted to their public servants, and we should commit to making the best use of their hard earned tax dollars. Therefore, it is disappointing that this important transportation bill was used to direct a procurement which benefits vendors over the citizens of Florida.

Due to the Governor's veto of HB 5067, the department and its advisory committees are subject to continuing review and may be abolished on June 30, 2009, unless the Legislature continues the department.

Findings and/or Conclusions

I. Overview of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

The department's mission is to provide highway safety and security through excellence in service, education and enforcement. The department serves over 15 million drivers with over 18 million registered vehicles, and enforces Florida laws on over 100,000 miles of highways. The department is currently organized into five major units: the Florida Highway Patrol (Patrol), the Division of Driver Licenses (DDL), the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV), the Information Systems Administration (ISA), and the Office of Executive Director and Administrative Services (OED).

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2007-2008, the department expended over \$414 million in performance of its responsibilities. (See Exhibit 1.)

Exhibit 1 — Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Actual Expenditures

Division	FTE	GR	TF	Total
OED	302	\$960,974	\$18,257,225	\$19,218,199
Patrol	2322	\$128,207,604	\$77,273,861	\$205,481,465
DDL	1606	\$669,516	\$97,777,724	\$98,447,240
DMV	423	\$103,828	\$57,908,573	\$58,012,401
ISA	191	\$1,466,833	\$28,136,606	\$29,603,439
Fixed Capital Outlay		\$0	\$3,363,500	\$3,363,500
Total	4844	\$131,408,755	\$282,717,489	\$414,126,244

The FY 2007-2008 expenditures were over \$9 million less than FY 2006-2007 expenditures. (See Exhibit 2.)

Exhibit 2 — Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Actual Expenditures

Division	FTE	GR	TF	Total
OED	302	\$1,003,490	\$18,255,168	\$19,258,658
Patrol	2,384	\$136,237,230	\$72,908,908	\$209,146,138
DDL	1,614	\$1,353,120	\$95,710,668	\$97,063,788
DMV	467	\$103,597	\$57,256,619	\$57,360,216
ISA	192	\$2,527,019	\$30,088,040	\$32,615,059
Fixed Capital Outlay	--		\$8,037,657	\$8,037,657
Total	4,959	\$141,224,456	\$282,257,060	\$423,481,516

The department and its agents collected over \$1.85 billion in revenue in FY 2007-2008. (See Exhibit 3.)

Exhibit 3 — Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Revenue Sources

Source	Revenue	Percentage
Vehicle, Vessel, and Title	\$1,198,736,194	64.8%
Tax Collector Retained	\$383,554,799	20.7%
Driver License	\$179,771,942	9.7%
All Other Revenue	\$88,618,714	4.8%
Total	\$1,850,681,649	100%

The FY 2007-2008 Revenues collected were over \$110 million less than the revenues collected by the department and its agents in FY 2006-2007. (See Exhibit 4.)

Exhibit 4 — Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Revenue Sources

Source	Revenue	Percentage
Vehicle, Vessel, and Title	\$ 1,254,947,791	64.87%
Tax Collector Retained	\$ 421,254,839	21.77%
Driver License	\$192,009,028	9.93%
All Other Revenue	\$66,385,144	3.43%
Total	\$ 1,934,596,802	100%

Of the revenue collected by the department and its agents, the state retained nearly \$1.47 billion in fiscal year 2007-2008 (\$1,850,681,649 less \$383,554,799 equals \$1,467,126,850). Exhibit 5 shows the revenues retained categorized by general revenue and trust fund revenues for FY 2005-2006, FY 2006-2007 and FY 2007-2008.

Exhibit 5 — Revenue Summary

	FY 2005-2006	FY 2006-2007	FY 2007-2008
General Revenue	\$144,803,584	\$140,141,012	\$134,423,896
Trust Fund Revenue	\$1,421,038,907	\$1,418,494,277	\$1,332,702,954
Total Revenue	\$1,565,842,491	\$1,558,635,289	\$1,467,126,850

A more detailed description of the revenues collected for FYs 2005-2006, 2006-2007, and 2007-2008 are set forth in Exhibits 6 and 7.

Exhibit 6 — General Revenue Collections

Driver Licenses:	FY 2005-2006	FY 2006-2007	FY 2007-2008
Driver Licenses	\$74,296,090	\$70,160,043	\$70,639,166
Other Driver License Revenue	\$7,697,705	\$8,059,964	\$7,266,445
Total Driver Licenses	\$81,993,795	\$78,220,007	\$77,905,611
Patrol:			
Civil Fines Revenue	\$4,503,799	\$4,664,822	\$3,877,602
Refunds	\$117,744	\$203,861	\$228,061
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$96,365	\$59,151	\$40,451
Total Patrol	\$4,717,908	\$4,927,834	\$4,146,114
Motor Vehicles:			
Mobile Home Inspection Fees	\$60,583	\$6,075	\$7,051
Title and Lien Fees	\$34,474,783	\$33,073,173	\$29,443,105
Juvenile Justice Fees	\$10,493,259	\$10,873,642	\$10,698,871
Mobile Home Seal Fees	\$497,504	\$243,600	\$170,054
Dealers License	\$1,494,904	\$1,455,676	\$1,539,600
Mobile Home GR	\$814,867	\$785,544	\$763,940
Interest-License Plate Revenue	\$205,853	\$372,709	\$285,190
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$9,934,023	\$10,169,036	\$9,353,451
Total MV/Administrative Services	\$57,975,776	\$56,979,455	\$52,261,262
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$116,105	\$13,716	\$110,909
Total General Revenue	\$144,803,584	\$140,141,012	\$134,423,896

Exhibit 7 — Trust Fund Collections

Trust Funds:	FY 2005-2006	FY 2006-2007	FY 2007-2008
DOT Primary	\$820,694,057	\$823,014,149	\$787,244,413
Highway Safety Operating	\$223,977,805	\$227,348,391	\$214,401,088
S.D. and J.C.D.C.O.D.S.	\$118,862,918	\$121,892,798	\$114,810,342
International Reg. Clearing	\$62,205,661	\$53,628,259	\$26,054,216
Gas Tax Collection	\$49,381,890	\$45,113,603	\$39,693,750
License Tax Collection	\$19,334,350	\$18,728,019	\$18,430,521
Specialty Plates	\$31,075,480	\$33,772,446	\$36,074,187
Air Pollution Control	\$20,154,762	\$20,359,025	\$20,324,509
Transportation Disadvantaged	\$20,447,127	\$20,609,662	\$20,667,560
Marine Resource Conserv.	\$5,514,978	\$5,629,471	\$5,795,850
Nongame Wildlife	\$2,908,463	\$2,570,466	\$2,234,210
Save the Manatee	\$1,904,230	\$1,930,358	\$2,508,602
Law Enforcement Radio	\$18,980,972	\$19,245,014	\$19,369,761
Brain & Spinal Cord Rehabilitation	\$2,345,456	\$2,127,967	\$1,729,066
Emergency Medical Services	\$2,053,705	\$2,070,815	\$2,062,799
Grants & Donations	\$7,563,997	\$7,671,410	\$7,719,349
DOR General Revenue Total	\$2,592,265	\$1,932,313	\$1,425,140
Law Enforcement	\$1,251,984	\$1,160,569	\$2,818,240
DUI	\$757,518	\$690,621	\$803,635
Security Deposit	\$3,501,874	\$2,849,957	\$2,356,973
M.H. & R.V. Protection	\$107,351	\$184,068	\$78,094
Federal Law Enforcement	\$124,651	\$662,365	\$1,310,234
FL Mobile Home Relocation	\$448,215	\$423,376	\$419,823
Incidental Trust Fund	\$1,415,155	\$1,341,394	\$1,053,232
General Inspection	\$236,576	\$234,854	\$231,072
Invasive Plant Control	\$1,815,543	\$1,824,662	\$1,835,110
Voluntary Contributions	\$1,381,924	\$1,478,245	\$1,251,178
Total Collection	\$1,421,038,907	\$1,418,494,277	\$1,332,702,954

For FY 2007-2008, the department was initially appropriated \$447.6 million in funding and was authorized to employ 4,957 FTEs by the 2007 Legislature. (See Exhibit 8.)

Exhibit 8 — Original Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget

Division	FTE	GR	TF	Total
OED	302	\$979,066	\$18,643,829	\$19,622,895
Patrol	2,384	\$137,462,537	\$85,087,651	\$222,550,188
DDL	1,613	\$1,366,552	\$106,293,273	\$107,659,825
DMV	467	\$105,388	\$62,772,346	\$62,877,734
ISA	191	\$2,527,019	\$29,012,853	\$31,539,872
Fixed Capital Outlay	--	--	\$3,363,500	\$3,363,500
Total	4,957	\$142,440,562	\$305,173,452	\$447,614,014

During the 2007 Special Legislative Session C the department's appropriated funding was reduced by \$7,649,880 and 61 FTEs. During the 2008 Session the department's FY 2007-2008 budget was reduced pursuant to HB 7009 by an additional \$7,473,933 and 12 FTEs. (The department's FY 2007-2008 final approved budget includes reductions of \$15,123,813, as well as increased budget authority of \$9,086,092 which is primarily the distribution of the administered funds—employee bonus, domestic security funds, and other budget amendments.) The final FY 2007-2008 appropriated funding was \$441.6 million and 4,844 FTEs. (See Exhibit 9.)

Exhibit 9 — Final Approved Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008

Division	FTE	GR	TF	Total
OED	302	\$960,974	\$18,876,458	\$19,837,432
Patrol	2,322	\$128,578,750	\$85,723,721	\$214,302,471
DDL	1,606	\$669,598	\$109,411,551	\$110,081,149
DMV	423	\$103,828	\$63,156,428	\$63,260,256
ISA	191	\$1,466,833	\$29,264,652	\$30,731,485
Fixed Capital Outlay		\$0	\$3,363,500	\$3,363,500
Total	4,844	\$131,779,983	\$309,796,310	\$441,576,293

In the FY 2008-2009, the department will collect an estimated \$1.524 billion in revenue through its licensing and regulatory responsibilities. The department is appropriated \$428.3 million and 4,725 FTEs for FY 2008-2009 per the General Appropriations Act (See Exhibit 10.)

Exhibit 10 — Original Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget/2008 Legislative Session

Division	FTE	GR	TF	Total
OED	292	\$942,186	\$17,830,191	\$18,772,377
Patrol	2249	\$116,983,524	\$88,951,286	\$205,934,810
DDL	1550	\$1,225,872	\$107,891,638	\$109,117,510
DMV	441	\$102,449	\$63,026,607	\$63,129,056
ISA	193	\$1,466,833	\$29,872,777	\$31,339,610
Fixed Capital Outlay		\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	4725	\$120,720,864	\$307,572,499	\$428,293,363

The following are the department's budget programs and a listing of activities for the department's budget entities, and a more detailed explanation of each budget entity's FY 2008-2009 budget, as provided by the FY 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act:

- Program – Licenses, Titles, and Regulations
 - Budget Entity – Driver Licensure
 - Issue Driver Licenses and Identifications Cards
 - Maintain Records
 - Provide Program Customer Service
 - Pass Through of Contributions on the Driver License Application

Program: Licenses, Titles and Registrations <i>Driver Licensure</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	1,270.00	350,089	51,122,187	51,472,276
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		-	719,620	719,620
EXPENSES		47,119	10,614,192	10,661,311
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		53,491	166,603	220,094
DIST/VOL CONTRIB-STATE AG		-	218,900	218,900
DIST/VOL CONTRIB-NON-PROF		-	950,000	950,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	2,317,146	2,317,146
DOMESTIC SECURITY		-	2,967,163	2,967,163
UNIFORM TRAFFIC ACCT SYS		-	951,999	951,999
PAY OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR		-	2,752,015	2,752,015
PUR OF DRIVER LICENSES		588,065	10,652,779	11,240,844
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	1,353,662	1,353,662
DEFERRED-PAY COM CONTRACTS		-	99,483	99,483
TR/TSA/FDLE BACKGND CHECK		-	6,057,233	6,057,233
TOTAL	1,270.00	\$ 1,038,764	\$ 90,942,982	\$ 91,981,746

- Budget Entity – Motorist Financial Responsibility Compliance
 - Administer Motorist Insurance Laws

Program: Licenses, Titles and Registrations <i>Motorist Financial Responsibility Compliance</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	51.00	-	1,984,243	1,984,243
EXPENSES		2,367	270,737	273,104
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	5,150	5,150
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	57,603	57,603
TOTAL	51.00	\$ 2,367	\$ 2,317,733	\$ 2,320,100

- Budget Entity – Identification and Control of Problem Drivers
 - Oversee Driver Improvement Activities
 - Conduct Administrative Reviews
 - Conduct Driver, DUI, and Motorcycle Education

Program: Licenses, Titles and Registrations <i>Identification and Control of Problem Drivers</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	205.00	-	9,219,887	9,219,887
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		-	1,206,209	1,206,209
EXPENSES		30,218	1,745,397	1,775,615
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		-	423,108	423,108
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	184,259	184,259
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	223,210	223,210
TOTAL	205.00	\$ 30,218	\$ 13,002,070	\$ 13,032,288

- Budget Entity – Mobile Home Compliance and Enforcement
 - Monitor Mobile Home Inspections

Program: Licenses, Titles and Registrations <i>Mobile Home Compliance and Enforcement</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	29.00	-	1,383,380	1,383,380
EXPENSES		-	145,444	145,444
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		-	10,000	10,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	2,403	2,403
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	19,891	19,891
TOTAL	29.00	\$ -	\$ 1,561,118	\$ 1,561,118

- Budget Entity – Vehicle and Vessel Title and Registration Services
 - Issuance of Automobile Dealer Licenses
 - Enforce Title and Registration Laws
 - Register and Audit Commercial Carriers
 - Issuance of Vehicle and Mobile Home Titles and Registrations
 - Issuance of Vessel Titles and Registrations
 - Provide Program and Technical Customer Assistance
 - Pass Through of License Tax Collections to Local Governments
 - Pass Through of Voluntary Contributions Collected on Motor Vehicle Registrations

Program: Licenses, Titles and Registrations <i>Vehicle and Vessel Title and Registration Services</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	400.00	91,074	16,958,794	17,049,868
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		-	205,301	205,301
EXPENSES		11,672	3,665,087	3,676,759
DIST SCHOOLS-MH DECAL REV		-	10,500,000	10,500,000
DIST CO-MBL HME DECAL REV		-	6,120,000	6,120,000
DIST CITIES-MH DECAL REV		-	4,880,000	4,880,000
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		-	173,958	173,958
PAYMENTS OF JUDGEMENT		-	1,125,000	1,125,000
DIST/VOL CONTRIB-STATE AG		-	255,000	255,000
DIST/VOL CONTRIB-NON-PROF		-	455,000	455,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	768,108	768,108
PAY OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR		-	2,109,750	2,109,750
G/A-PURCHASE OF LIC PLATES		-	12,718,891	12,718,891
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	216,182	216,182
DEFERRED-PAY COM CONTRACTS		-	86,311	86,311
TR/TSA/FDLE BACKGND CHECK		-	161,656	161,656
TOTAL	400.00	\$ 102,746	\$ 60,399,038	\$ 60,501,784

- Budget Entity – Executive Direction and Support Services
 - Executive Direction and Support Services

Program: Licenses, Titles and Registrations <i>Executive Direction and Support Services</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	36.00	153,318	2,645,271	2,798,589
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		-	38,400	38,400
EXPENSES		2,667	172,560	175,227
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		-	72,310	72,310
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	4,659	4,659
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	33,062	33,062
TOTAL	36.00	\$ 155,985	\$ 2,966,262	\$ 3,122,247

- Program – Kirkman Data Center
 - Budget Entity – Information Technology
 - Executive Direction
 - Administrative Services
 - Application Development
 - Computer Operations
 - Network Operations
 - Desktop Support

Program: Kirkman Data Center <i>Information Technology</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	193.00	-	10,944,867	10,944,867
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		-	753,049	753,049
EXPENSES		1,294,471	5,963,353	7,257,824
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		-	234,307	234,307
MAINFRAME CONSOLIDATION		-	124,000	124,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES		172,362	1,729,340	1,901,702
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	32,916	32,916
TAX COLL NETWRK-CO SYS		-	6,385,729	6,385,729
DEFERRED-PAY COM CONTRACTS		-	3,729,492	3,729,492
TOTAL	193.00	\$ 1,466,833	\$ 29,897,053	\$ 31,363,886

- Program – Florida Highway Patrol
 - Budget Entity – Highway Safety
 - Enforcement of Traffic Laws
 - Provide Community Service Enforcement
 - Provide Aerial Traffic Enforcement
 - Conduct Traffic Homicide Investigations
 - Provide Academy Training
 - Conduct Criminal and Administrative Investigations

Program: Florida Highway Patrol <i>Highway Safety</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	2,222.00	105,713,774	43,242,161	148,955,935
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		22,500	12,299,404	12,321,904
EXPENSES		636,060	8,436,076	9,072,136
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		145,495	2,141,475	2,286,970
ACQUISITION/MOTOR VEHICLES		1,540,698	4,409,574	5,950,272
FHP COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS			1,500,000	1,500,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES		144,997	943,750	1,088,747
OPERATION/MOTOR VEHICLES		2,398,379	12,093,189	14,491,568
AUXILIARY UNIFORMS/EQUIPM			144,000	144,000
PMT/DEATH & DISMEMB CLAIMS			325,995	325,995
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		3,233,525	973,980	4,207,505
SALARY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS		744,817	726,375	1,471,192
TRANS/HIGHWAY PATROL INST F			325,995	325,995
DEFERRED-PAY COM CONTRACTS			2,134,767	2,134,767
MOBILE DATA TERMINAL SYS			2,446,297	2,446,297
TOTAL	2,222.00	\$ 114,580,245	\$ 92,143,038	\$ 206,723,283

- Budget Entity – Executive Direction and Support Services
 - Executive Direction/Support Services

Program: Florida Highway Patrol <i>Executive Direction and Support Services</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	27.00	2,368,729	135,728	2,504,457
EXPENSES		184,418	94,382	278,800
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		8,000	-	8,000
ACQUISITION/MOTOR VEHICLES		19,838	-	19,838
CONTRACTED SERVICES		4,135	-	4,135
OPERATION/MOTOR VEHICLES		2,790	5,000	7,790
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		37,958	11,434	49,392
SALARY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS		20,315	-	20,315
TOTAL	27.00	\$ 2,646,183	\$ 246,544	\$ 2,892,727

- Program – Executive Direction/Administrative Services
 - Budget Entity – Administrative Services
 - Executive Direction
 - General Counsel/Legal
 - Legislative Affairs
 - Inspector General
 - Communication/Publication Information
 - Director of Administration
 - Planning and Budgeting
 - Finance and Accounting
 - Personnel Services/Human Resources
 - Training
 - Mail Room

- Print Shop
- Records Management
- Supply Room
- Property Management
- Contract Administration
- Procurement

Program: Division of Administrative Services <i>Executive Direction and Support Services</i>		FY 2008-2009		
APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	FTE	GENERAL REVENUE	ALL TRUST FUNDS	ALL FUNDS
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	292.00	5,337	14,275,427	14,280,764
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		-	142,914	142,914
EXPENSES		-	1,051,109	1,051,109
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		-	170,709	170,709
TRANS TO DIV ADM HEARINGS		-	135,112	135,112
CONTRACTED SERVICES		-	324,293	324,293
PAY OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR		-	375,723	375,723
RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		-	275,529	275,529
DEFERRED-PAY COM CONTRACTS		-	84,169	84,169
TR/DMS/HR SVCS/STW CONTRCT		936,865	1,034,672	1,971,537
TOTAL	292.00	\$ 942,202	\$ 17,869,657	\$ 18,811,859

II. Detailed Review of the Department

For a detailed review of the department, please see Interim Mandatory Review 2008-215.

Options and/or Recommendations

After review of all the relevant facts and information, the Senate Committee on Transportation's professional staff recommends the Legislature enact those recommendations which were made by the committee to the Senate President on March 6, 2008 and which did not become law. Specifically, those recommendations are:

Recommendation #1

The Legislature should continue the department.

Discussion—The department's mission is to provide highway safety and security through excellence in service, education and enforcement. The department's primary objectives are to regulate driver's licenses, ID cards, titles and registrations. Driver's licenses and ID cards ensure the safety of the motoring public and the security of the general public by assuring Florida's citizens are properly licensed to drive and by reducing criminal use of fraudulent identification. A certificate of title is the proof of ownership to a motor vehicle or vessel and provides protection from fraud for both the owner and the lien holder, if any. A registration is proof of who is responsible for the motor vehicle or vessel through evidence of having paid the applicable registration tax and fees.

Driver's licenses, ID cards, titles and registration services are essential to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the State of Florida. Because these services are essential and because there are no significant costs savings by transferring these functions to another agency, the department should continue providing these services.

Recommendation #2

The Legislature should continue the Florida Highway Patrol Advisory Council, the DUI Programs Review Board, the Medical Advisory Board, and the Automobile Dealer Advisory Board.

Discussion—These councils and boards serve a public purpose by providing expertise on matters including audits of DUI programs, medical standards and case opinions for licensed drivers, and recommendations on relevant proposed legislation, rules and procedures. They generally provide valuable expertise that improves the department’s decision making.

Recommendation #3

The Legislature should delete the obsolete Bureau of Motor Vehicle Inspection.

Discussion—A motor vehicle inspection program no longer exists within the department.

Recommendation #4

The Legislature should consider amending current statutes in order to promote more tax collector participation in providing driver’s license and ID card services.

Discussion—The demand for driver’s license and ID card services is expected to increase due to population growth and implementation of REAL ID. Without additional resources, the increased demand may affect the effectiveness and efficiency with which customers are served; therefore, tax collector participation in providing these services is essential in maintaining or improving customer services.