

# THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE



January 11, 2009

The Honorable Jeff Atwater  
President of the Senate

The Honorable Ray Sansom  
Speaker, House of Representatives

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Your Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on SB 4-A, same being:

An act relating to Implementing Special Appropriations.

having met, and after full and free conference, do recommend to their respective houses as follows:

1. That the House recede from its Amendment 1.
2. That the Senate and House of Representatives adopt the Conference Committee Amendment attached hereto, and by reference made a part of this report.

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The Conference Committee Amendment for SB 4-A (625680), relating to implementing the special appropriations act for the 2008-2009 fiscal year, provides for the following:

- Reenacts s. 215.32, F.S., to authorize the transfer of moneys from trust funds to the General Revenue Fund as specified in the special appropriations act for the 2008-2009 fiscal year.
- Authorizes the transfer of funds from the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund to the General Revenue Fund.
- Provides legislative intent relating to the repayment of funds transferred from the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund to the General Revenue Fund.
- Provides a new distribution formula for FY 2008 – 2009 for the Florida Forever Program. The specific changes rescind spending authority for the Division of State Lands (\$105 million), the water management districts (\$90 million), the Florida Communities Trust (\$63 million), and the rural and family lands program (\$10.5 million). Spending authority will be retained for inholdings and additions programs implemented by the Division of State Parks, Division of Forestry, and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (\$4.5 million each). Other programs unaffected would include the Florida Recreation and Development Assistance program (\$6 million), Greenways and Trails (\$4.5 million), and the Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts program (\$7.5 million).
- Directs that all pending acquisitions be allowed to lapse and provides that, prior to expending funds on the lapsed acquisitions, each one be reassessed to determine if the proposed acquisition cost accurately reflects the current market value.
- Provides for the return to the State Treasury of certain unexpended funds held by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation as directed by law.
- Revises the distribution formula of revenues deposited into the Water Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund for the development of alternative water supplies pursuant to the Water Protection and Sustainability Program during Fiscal Year 2008-2009. The distribution is 50 percent to the Northwest Florida Water Management District and 50% to the Suwannee River Water Management District.
- Directs the Department of Environmental Protection to reallocate documentary stamp tax revenues received in Fiscal Year 2008-2009 to align with the revised statutory distributions