The Florida Senate
GOVERNOR'S VETO
OF PORTIONS OF THE 2017 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT
SB 2500

SPECIFIC APPROPRIATION VETOED

Specific Appropriation 140
Pages 43 and 44

"From the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 140, $370,000 in nonrecurring general revenue is provided to the Coalition for Medicinal Cannabis Research and Education Board within the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute (Senate Form 2164)."

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

“The [indicated project following Specific Appropriation 140] is vetoed because Moffitt Cancer Center received a total of $10.6 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

ANALYST COMMENT

This appropriation provided $370,000 in nonrecurring general revenue to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute to establish the Coalition for Medicinal Cannabis Research and Education and to establish the Medicinal Cannabis Research and Education Board to direct the operations of the coalition. The Coalition would lead scientific research to evaluate the safety and efficacy of cannabis-derived pharmaceuticals/agents, to disseminate information and to assist the State of Florida in providing education and guidance as well as evaluating adverse effects.

This initiative was funded in the Senate General Appropriations Bill.