

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

SPECIFIC APPROPRIATION VETOED

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"St. Leo University - Florida Hospital Wellness Center  
(HB 4081)..... 4,000,000"

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

"The [indicated project following Specific Appropriation 66C] is vetoed because the institution increased tuition from Fiscal Year 2015-16 to Fiscal Year 2016-17 by 3 percent.

ANALYST COMMENT

This appropriation provided \$4,000,000 to St. Leo University for the Florida Hospital Wellness Center. This funding would bring healthcare resources to east Pasco County, a local area where services are limited. The facility would provide urgent care services as well as physicians' offices and a wellness center. This funding represents approximately one-third of the overall construction costs. St. Leo University and Florida Hospital will provide the remaining two-thirds of the construction costs as well as all ongoing operating costs.

This initiative was funded in the Senate General Appropriations Bill.