

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/CS/HB 765 (2026)

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED  (Y/N)

ADOPTED AS AMENDED  (Y/N)

ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION  (Y/N)

FAILED TO ADOPT  (Y/N)

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Budget Committee

2 Representative McFarland offered the following:

4 **Amendment**

5 Remove lines 566-583 and insert:

6 (2) (a) Any bequests, gifts, grants, and donations made to  
7 the program as may be solicited for such purpose from public or  
8 private sources shall be deposited into the Early Learning Fund.

9 (b) Any legislative appropriation from the Child Care and  
10 Development Block Grant Trust Fund which may be provided to the  
11 program shall be deposited into the Early Learning Fund and  
12 shall be used to fund children from the waiting list pursuant to  
13 subparagraph (3) (a)1.

14 (c) Any funds received from state sources and interest  
15 earnings shall be accounted for separately.

16 (3) Funds shall be used to provide:

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17        (a) Care for children from birth until the student is  
18        eligible to enroll in kindergarten in accordance with:

19        1. An allocation methodology to fund the waiting list of  
20        early learning coalitions; or

21        2. The intentions of a donor.

22        (b) The early learning coalition shall fund school  
23        readiness program providers and providers selected by the  
24        donor's recipient at the reimbursement rate calculated pursuant  
25        to s. 1002.84(17). If the provider selected by the donor's  
26        recipient is not a school readiness program provider, the  
27        department shall adopt a contract for use by an early learning  
28        coalition with the provider to provide such funds.

29        (c) Any family served under subparagraph (a)1. shall have  
30        an early learning coalition apply a parent copayment based on  
31        family income pursuant to s. 1002.84(9) or s. 1002.935(2)(b).