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REPORT OF THE IMPACT OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT ON VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS

SUMMARY

An educational funding summary reflecting the impact of the General Appropriations Act for 2003-04 on various components of Florida's educational delivery system is available from the Senate Appropriations Committee – Subcommittee on Education.

BACKGROUND

The General Appropriations Act contains the funding for all major educational delivery systems in the state: the Public School System, the Community College System and the University System. Because appropriations impact all portions of the delivery systems, this report is designed to reflect the major funding decisions for FY 2003-04 and the corresponding impact of appropriations to the areas responsible for service delivery.

For public schools, a 10 year history of student FTE and total funds is presented as well as average teacher salary information, graphically. A comparison of 2003-04 public school funding with 2002-03 funding is shown for each of the 67 school districts. Both state and local funds are reflected.

For Community Colleges, a 10 year history of enrollment is reflected in tabular and graphical form. An allocation of 2003-04 appropriations to each of the Community Colleges is shown. The amounts reflect the impact of major funding decisions, Challenge Grant, and Fixed Capital Outlay funding.

For the Universities, the allocation of 2003-04 appropriations to each of the 11 universities is shown. The amounts reflect the impact of major funding decisions, Challenge Grant, and Fixed Capital Outlay funding.

METHODOLOGY

Allocation information is compiled by Senate Appropriations staff. In many cases the allocations were included in proviso language in the General Appropriations Act or are available through funding formulas such as the FEFP. Department of Education fiscal staff also assisted in cases where allocations were to be made by the DOE. The final document is available from the Senate Appropriations Committee – Subcommittee on Education.