

No. HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL AMENDMENT

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Representative(s): Smith

offered the following amendment:

In Section: 70 On Page: 411 Specific Appropriation:

Explanation:

This amendment is designed to support school districts facing an influx of displaced students from Puerto Rico, who were not accounted for in the October 2017 FTE. Funds would be utilized from the Budget Stabilization fund, and any funds allocated but not used would be returned to reserves. Osceola, Orange, and Seminole school districts are automatically eligible. Other districts are eliqible as determined by the Department. Priority must be given to counties that are experiencing significant impacts or operational deficits due to the influx of students. The Department must be given emergency rulemaking authority to determine the elibility and the funding formula for dispersing funds.

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In Section 70 On Page 411

In Section 70, on Page 411, DELETE the following:

SECTION 70. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to transfer \$68,200,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Budget Stabilization Fund for Fiscal Year 2018-2019, as required by s.19(g) Article III of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

AND INSERT:

The Chief Financial Officer is hereby SECTION 70. authorized to transfer \$18,200,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Budget

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Stabilization Fund for Fiscal Year 2018-2019, as required by s.19(g) Article III of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

In Section 73 On Page 411

On page 411, INSERT a new Section 73:

Section 73. There is hereby appropriated for fiscal year 2018-2019, \$50,000,000 from the Budget Stabilization Fund to the Department of Education to support school districts facing an influx of displaced students from Puerto Rico who were not accounted for in the October 2017 FTE survey. Osceola, Orange, and Seminole school districts are automatically eligible. Other districts are eligible as determined by the department. Priority must be given to counties that are experiencing significant impacts or operational deficits due to the influx of students. The department must be given emergency rulemaking authority to determine eligibility and the funding formula for dispersing funds.

Line item amendments are accepted as part of the amendatory process. However, due to the necessity of using computerized systems this may entail a different placement within a budget entity or the renumbering of the specific appropriation items.