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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMISSION AGENDA

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Agency for Health Care Administration

EOG Number: O2013-0084

Problem Statement:

Proviso language contained in chapter 2012-118, Laws of Florida, (Specific Appropriation 174), directs the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) to contract with an independent, third party consulting firm with experience in planning public sector enterprise projects to complete a feasibility study for developing an Internet-based system for eligibility determination for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) as authorized in House Bill 5301. The proviso language further directs the Agency to submit the completed feasibility study and its recommendation to the Legislative Budget Commission for consideration and approval.

The Agency entered into a contractual arrangement with Gartner to conduct the feasibility study. Gartner completed the feasibility study and submitted a supplemental report to their final report on December 16, 2012. As directed by proviso language, the Agency has developed a recommendation based upon the results of the completed study and seeks approval of the recommendation by the Legislative Budget Commission.

Agency Request:

The Agency requests approval of its recommendation based on the December 16, 2012 Gartner Study to utilize a Business Rules Management System that will support Medicaid and CHIP eligibility determination. The Agency recommendation is as follows:

The Agency recommends the Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) based eligibility rule to be implemented in a Business Rules Management System that will be added to the existing FLORIDA ACCESS System consistent with Option 1 of the December 16, 2012 Gartner Study. Total one time implementation costs for this option are expected to be approximately $23,500,000 through Fiscal Year 2014-15.

As details of the requirements development progress the Agency also recommends that mandatory provisions of the Affordable Care Act as included in but not limited to Appendix A (Affordable Care Act Required Features of Enrollment Systems) of the December 16, 2012 Gartner Study be implemented. The Agency recommends that the Non-MAGI Healthcare Rules also be incorporated into the Business Rules Management System, Option 2 in Gartner Study, after the MAGI eligibility rules are implemented and all other mandatory provisions of the Affordable Care Act have been completed. Total one time implementation costs for both options, are expected to be approximately $38,980,000 through Fiscal Year 2016-17.

Gartner combined several industry standard estimating techniques to narrow its estimates to a range of +/- 25%, in the process using

the experience of its subject matter experts, its proprietary research databases, and observations about the experience of other organizations both in public and private sectors with projects of similar scope, complexity, and base of technologies. Gartner states that it is advisable for the final appropriations to include a minimum adjustment of 25% in order to avoid project delays due to funding constraints.
Governor's Recommendation: Recommend approval of the agency's recommendation based on the Gartner study to utilize a Business Rules Management System that will support Medicaid and CHIP eligibility determination.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services ***Senate Analyst:*** Robyn Forbes Scarlet Pigott	***House Committee:*** Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** D. Brian Clark

Department of Children and Family Services

EOG Number: B2013-0330

Problem Statement:

Effective October 1, 2012, the Department of Children and Families (Department) was awarded a five-year, federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to fund the "Florida Project LAUNCH" for a total amount of $4,076,061. Young children from low-income neighborhoods, families with lower incomes, children of parents with mental illness and/or substance use disorders, and children who have experienced maltreatment, and have been exposed to violence are at greater risk for developing social, emotional, and behavioral disorders. For children in this high-risk category, promotional and prevention strategies can modify the negative impact of family and environmental factors. For children with parents with substance abuse disorders, parental treatment of the disorder -- coupled with enhanced parenting -- can reduce the risk for the child, and serve as a preventative factor. Project LAUNCH is intended to directly impact the substance abuse issues with parents, and provide parenting support.

The Florida LAUNCH Project is a partnership between the Florida Department of Children and Families, Florida Department of Health, and Pinellas County, Florida. The project is aimed at preventing youth substance abuse, mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders by improving family function and the quality of the parent-child relationship through parent training and skill building, and substance abuse and mental health treatment; and selective interventions for young children. This grant intends to promote the wellness of children from birth to age eight in certain portions of Pinellas County through delivery programs including the Community Health Center of Pinellas, the Pinellas County Early Learning Coalition, and Healthy Start. Over this five-year period, this grant intends to serve approximately 4,000 mothers and children at high-risk for substance abuse in Pinellas County. Services include:

-- Developmental Screening
-- Pregnancy Screening
-- Case Management
-- Nurturing Parenting Program
-- Brief Intervention
--Parent as Teachers (PAT) Home Visiting
--Child Care Teaching Pyramid

The Department lacks sufficient budget to implement the provisions of this grant for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year.

Agency Request:

The Department of Children and Families requests $485,022 in Federal Grants Trust Fund budget authority for the first state fiscal year of implementation. This includes increases in administrative categories for staffing (OPS, expense for required travel, and human resource contracts) and contracted services for direct client services.

Governor's Recommendation: Recommends additional Federal Grants Trust Fund budget authority in the amount of $485,022 for the Project Launch grant.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services ***Senate Analyst:*** Diane Sneed Scarlet Pigott	***House Committee:*** Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** William Fontaine

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CHILDREN AND FAMILIES					
	Program: Mental Health Program Mental Health Services				
338	Other Personal Services From Federal Grants Trust Fund		97,012	97,012	
339	Expenses From Federal Grants Trust Fund		18,483	18,483	
348	Special Categories Contracted Services From Federal Grants Trust Fund		10,951	10,951	
349	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Contracted Services From Federal Grants Trust Fund		358,317	358,317	
360	Special Categories Transfer To Department Of Management Services - Human Resources Services Purchased Per Statewide Contract From Federal Grants Trust Fund		259	259	

EOG #B2013-0333

Department of Children and Family Services

EOG Number: B2013-0333

Problem Statement:
The Affordable Care Act (ACA) mandates changes to the way the state determines an individual's eligibility to receive Medicaid and/or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) benefits. These changes include new criteria based on an individual's Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) and are required to be developed and implemented by January 1, 2014.

Specific Appropriation 295, Chapter 2012-118, Laws of Florida, authorizes $33,659,550 for development and implementation of a Medicaid and CHIP eligibility determination system. Proviso in connection with Specific Appropriation 295 states that budgetary release of these funds be contingent upon an Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) recommendation that is based upon a feasibility study developed pursuant to Specific Appropriation 174, Chapter 2012-118, Laws of Florida. Concurrent with this budget amendment, AHCA has submitted an amendment to the Legislative Budget Commission that recommends the MAGI based eligibility rule to be implemented in a Business Rules Management System that will be added to the existing FLORIDA ACCESS System consistent with Option 1 of the December 16, 2012 Gartner feasibility study. Total one-time implementation costs for this option are expected to be approximately $23,500,000 through Fiscal Year 2014-15.

As further details of the ACA requirements develop, the AHCA also recommends that mandatory provisions of the Affordable Care Act included in -- but not limited to -- Appendix A (Affordable Care Act Required Features of Enrollment Systems) of the December 16, 2012 Gartner feasibility study be implemented. AHCA recommends that the Non-MAGI Healthcare Rules be incorporated into the Business Rules Management System after the MAGI eligibility rules are implemented and all other mandatory provisions of the ACA have been completed. Total one-time implementation costs for both options are expected to be approximately $38,980,000 through Fiscal Year 2016-17.

The Fiscal Year 2012-13 funding was based upon DCF securing an approved Implementation Advanced Planning Document (IAPD) from the federal Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) that provides enhanced federal match for states' development of an eligibility system that complies with the ACA requirements (90 percent from federal sources and 10 percent from state sources). A revised IAPD, now based upon AHCA's recommendation, will be submitted by DCF to confirm the enhanced match rate for the implementation of a Business Rules Management System onto FLORIDA ACCESS to meet the minimal requirements in the ACA.

The requested release of budget authority allows the DCF to procure for the following five categories related to the initial implementation and development of this MAGI-based eligibility Business Rules Management System: Procurement support; Services

for the Requirements phase and High-Level and Detailed Design phase; Hardware for potential upgrades to the existing mainframe and dedicated servers for the external rules engine; Software licensing for an external rules engine: and a project management office (PMO) and independent verification and validation (IV&V) support. Once the initial Business Rules Management System is developed and implemented into the existing FLORIDA ACCESS system, other provisions of the Affordable Care Act can be developed.
Agency Request: The Department requests six months operating budget to incorporate a Business Rules Management System into FLORIDA ACCESS to meet the minimal federal requirements outlined in the Affordable Care Act, as recommended by the Agency for Health Care Administration. This $7,562,500 request will fund project procurement support of $279,816 from January to March 2013, PMO and IV&V contractors for $637,500, and $6,645,184 for contractual services required for the Requirements and High-Level and Detailed Design phases along with hardware and software needs.
Governor's Recommendation: Recommend the allocation and distribution of $7,562,500 from the Qualified Expenditure category (200083) to the Computer Related Expenses category (100644) in the Information Technology budget entity. In addition, the transfer of budget authority from the Qualified Expenditure Category in Executive Leadership to the DCF Data Center category (210008).

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services ***Senate Analyst:*** Diane Sneed Scarlet Pigott	***House Committee:*** Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** William Fontaine

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	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES							
	Program: Executive Leadership Executive Direction And Support Services							
295	Qualified Expenditure Category Florida's Public Assistance Eligibility System							
	From Federal Grants Trust Fund		(6,494,908)	(6,494,908)	(6,494,908)	(6,494,908)		
	From Operations And Maintenance Trust Fund		(1,067,592)	(1,067,592)	(1,067,592)	(1,067,592)		
298	Data Processing Services Children And Families Data Center							
	From Federal Grants Trust Fund		6,494,908		6,494,908			
	From Operations And Maintenance Trust Fund		1,067,592		1,067,592			
	Program: Support Services Information Technology							
310	Special Categories Computer Related Expenses							

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	From Working Capital Trust Fund		7,562,500		7,562,500			
	Qualified Expenditure Category Florida's Public Assistance Eligibility System From Working Capital Trust Fund		(7,562,500)	(7,562,500)	(7,562,500)	(7,562,500)		

Department of Children and Family Services

EOG Number: B2013-0332

Problem Statement:
Effective October 1, 2012, the Department of Children and Families (Department) was awarded a four-year, federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to fund the "Florida Children's Mental Health System of Care Expansion Implementation Project" for a total amount of $3,983,521. The purpose of the "Florida Children's Mental Health System of Care Expansion Implementation Project" is to improve community service delivery so more children are able to function in their school, home, and community.

System of care (SOC) is a philosophical approach which engages multiple partners in the delivery of human services. This grant intends to expand Florida's SOC by accomplishing six goals: 1) Develop youth/family coordinators and community teams to recognize mental illness; 2) Increase the collaboration and sharing of resources among service providers; 3) Engage with local early childhood service providers to incorporate screening and risk assessment; 4) Develop web-based training and tools to facilitate the system of care framework; 5) Implement a social marketing plan to increase public awareness; and 6) Expand providers' use of culturally and linguistically relevant evidence-based practices.

While this grant award does not provide for direct client services, it anticipates affecting 4,000 more children by increasing their access to mental health services by expanding upon the existing, statewide system of care framework. The Department lacks sufficient budget authority to implement the provisions of this grant for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year.

Agency Request:
The Department of Children and Families requests $468,585 in Federal Grants Trust Fund budget authority for the first state fiscal year of implementation. The services funded through this grant are administrative in nature; therefore, the requested increase is through categories associated with administrative functions (OPS for a State Project Director and local coordinators, expense for required travel, and human resource contracts) and contracted services for performance evaluation and data collection.

Governor's Recommendation:
Recommend $468,585 in additional Federal Grants budget authority for the Children's Mental Health System of Care Expansion Implementation grant.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services ***Senate Analyst:*** Diane Sneed Scarlet Pigott	***House Committee:*** Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** William Fontaine

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CHILDREN AND FAMILIES					
	Program: Mental Health Program Mental Health Services				
338	Other Personal Services From Federal Grants Trust Fund		189,458	189,458	
339	Expenses From Federal Grants Trust Fund		47,867	47,867	
348	Special Categories Contracted Services From Federal Grants Trust Fund		10,594	10,594	
349	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Contracted Services From Federal Grants Trust Fund		220,175	220,175	
360	Special Categories Transfer To Department Of Management Services - Human Resources Services Purchased Per Statewide Contract From Federal Grants Trust Fund		491	491	

Department of Children and Family Services

EOG Number: B2013-0357

Problem Statement:

The Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN) is Florida's Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System containing pertinent participant information including: historical abuse records, current placement information, medical information, missing children reports, photographs, family assessment, judicial review and management and performance reports. FSFN is utilized by the Florida Abuse Hotline, Child Protective Investigators, Community Based Care case managers, adult protective investigators, legal, licensing and the U.S. Department of Children and Families Administration.

The General Appropriations Act appropriated $12,450,000 for Fiscal Year 2012-13 to fund programming changes to the FSFN system. The appropriation includes $4,500,000 to make FSFN federally compliant. The appropriation was based on a Qualified Expenditure Category requiring a release by the Legislative Budget Commission. The programming changes include the requirements identified in the January 2011 compliance assessment completed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families as not currently being in the FSFN system and needed in order to comply with all federal Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information systems (SACWIS) requirements. The remaining appropriation of $7,950,000 provides funds for additional enhancements to FSFN to improve the flow and use of information among all parties responsible for the safety and well-being of a child. The Legislative Budget Commission (LBC) provided the first quarterly release of $3,112,500 on August 16, 2012. This amendment requests additional release of $2,129,633 in budget authority from the Fiscal Year 2012-13 appropriation to continue software development, project review, and training.

Agency Request:

The Department of Children and Families requests the transfer and release of $2,129,633 in budget authority in various trust funds from the Child Dependency Redesign Qualified Expenditure Category within the Executive Direction and Support Services and the Family Safety and Preservation Services budget entities. Corresponding release of $2,129,633 in double budget authority is requested from the Child Dependency Redesign Qualified Expenditure Category in the Working Capital Trust Fund to the Computer Related Expenses Category within the Information Technology budget entity to allow for the transfer of funds and make Child Dependency System Redesign Project expenditures in the appropriate budget categories.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend the allocation and distribution of $2,129,633 from the Qualified Expenditure category (200085) to the Computer Related Expenses category (100644) in the Information Technology budget entity. In addition, the transfer of budget authority from the Qualified Expenditure Category in Executive Leadership to the DCF Data Center category (210008).

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services ***Senate Analyst:*** Diane Sneed Scarlet Pigott	***House Committee:*** Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** William Fontaine

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	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES							
	Program: Executive Leadership <u>Executive Direction And Support Services</u>							
296	Qualified Expenditure Category Child Dependency System Redesign							
	From Federal Grants Trust Fund		(469,544)	(469,544)	(469,544)	(469,544)		
	From Welfare Transition Trust Fund		(937,288)	(937,288)	(937,288)	(937,288)		
	From Operations And Maintenance Trust Fund		(362,325)	(362,325)	(362,325)	(362,325)		
	From Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund		(360,476)	(360,476)	(360,476)	(360,476)		
298	Data Processing Services Children And Families Data Center							
	From Federal Grants Trust Fund		469,544		469,544			
	From Welfare Transition Trust Fund		937,288		937,288			
	From Operations And Maintenance Trust Fund		362,325		362,325			
	From Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund		360,476		360,476			

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	Program: Support Services Information Technology							
310	Special Categories Computer Related Expenses From Working Capital Trust Fund		2,129,633		2,129,633			
314	Qualified Expenditure Category Child Dependency System Redesign From Working Capital Trust Fund		(2,129,633)	(2,129,633)	(2,129,633)	(2,129,633)		

State Court System

EOG Number: B2013-0322

Problem Statement:
Civil traffic infraction officers perform quasi-judicial functions under the authority of the court. These hearing officers preside over routine civil traffic infraction proceedings (except for those cases involving an accident or infractions issued in conjunction with a criminal traffic offense). The use of this resource is permitted by the Florida Constitution and allows judges to devote their attention to more complex matters which, in turn, has a positive impact on timely processing of cases. In addition, civil traffic infraction hearing officers are a constructive factor in ensuring the collection of contested traffic fines.

There is insufficient budget for the circuit courts to maintain Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officer programs throughout the fiscal year. Interim budget action has been recommended by the Trial Court Budget Commission to utilize Expense budget to provide for these necessary services.

Agency Request:
The State Court Systems request the transfer of $783,990 from the Expenses category to the Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officers category in the Court Operations-Circuit Courts budget entity within the General Revenue Fund to maintain the Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officers Program.

Summary of Chief Justice's Recommendation:

This request is to transfer ($783,990) from the Expenses category to the Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officers category in the Court Operations-Circuit Courts budget entity within the General Revenue Fund.

There is insufficient budget for the circuit courts to maintain Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officer programs throughout the fiscal year. Interim budget action has been recommended by the Trial Court Budget Commission to utilize Expense budget to provide for these necessary services.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice ***Senate Analyst:*** Marti Harkness	***House Committee:*** Justice Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Sarah Toms

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			Appropriation	Appropriation	Appropriation
STATE COURT SYSTEM					
	Program: Trial Courts <u>Court Operations - Circuit Courts</u>				
3217	Expenses From General Revenue Fund		(783,990)	(783,990)	
3219	Special Categories Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officers From General Revenue Fund		783,990	783,990	

EOG #B2013-0387

State Court System

EOG Number: B2013-0387

Problem Statement: In February 2012, a joint state-federal settlement was reached with the country's five largest mortgage servicers. Florida's portion of the settlement is $8.4 billion, with the majority of the funds designated to Florida borrowers. The state will receive a direct payment of $334 million to be allocated through the legislative process. The Office of the Attorney General has requested the State Courts System receive non-recurring funding in the amount of $4,993,500 for court initiatives to ease the foreclosure backlog. It was estimated that as of October 31, 2012, there were 377,272 Real Property / Mortgage Foreclosure Cases pending in the State Courts System. The funds will be used in FY 2012-13 to supplement the $4 million received for the FY 2012-13 Foreclosure Backlog Reduction Initiative. The funds requested will be used to provide technology solutions that will improve the flow of foreclosure cases through the judicial process. The enhanced technology will enable judges and staff to use electronic documents when disposing of foreclosure cases, produce orders electronically, provide for electronic calendaring, serve orders through electronic process, and generate case management reports. The State Courts System does not have sufficient budget authority to implement these additional resources.
Agency Request: The State Courts System is requesting $3,727,906 in additional budget authority in the Other Data Processing Services category within the Court Operations - Circuit Courts budget entity within the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund to provide technology solutions to improve the flow of foreclosure cases through the judicial process.
Summary of Chief Justice's Recommendation: Recommend approval to increase budget authority for the Other Data Processing Services category in the amount of $3,727,906 within the Court Operations - Circuit Courts budget entity within the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund as part of the National Mortgage Foreclosure Settlement funds received by the state.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice ***Senate Analyst:*** Marti Harkness	***House Committee:*** Justice Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Sarah Toms

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STATE COURT SYSTEM					
	Program: Trial Courts				
	Court Operations - Circuit Courts				
N/A	Data Processing Services				
	Other Data Processing Services				
	From State Courts Revenue Trust Fund		3,727,906	3,727,906	

State Court System

EOG Number: B2013-0388

Problem Statement:

In February 2012, a joint state-federal settlement was reached with the country's five largest mortgage servicers. Florida's portion of the settlement is $8.4 billion, with the majority of the funds designated to Florida borrowers. The state will receive a direct payment of $334 million to be allocated through the legislative process. The Office of the Attorney General has requested the State Courts System receive non-recurring funding in the amount of $4,993,500 for court initiatives to ease the foreclosure backlog. It was estimated that as of October 31, 2012, there were 377,272 Real Property / Mortgage Foreclosure Cases pending in the State Courts System. The funds will be used to supplement the $4 million received for the FY 2012-13 Foreclosure Backlog Reduction Initiative.

The funds requested will be used to provide supplemental resources to include additional senior judge days and temporary case management staff in the trial courts to reduce the backlog of pending foreclosure cases. The supplemental case processing resources for senior judge days and temporary case management staff will be used to set blocks of case management conferences, add additional Non-Jury Trial calendars, and create new bulk trial initiatives.

The State Courts System does not have sufficient budget authority to implement these additional resources.

Agency Request:

The State Courts System requests $1,265,594 in budget authority (Other Personal Services - $708,051, Expenses - $86,663, and Compensation to Retired Judges - $470,880) within the Court Operations - Circuit Courts budget entity within the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund to reduce the backlog of pending foreclosure cases.

Summary of Chief Justice's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority for the Other Personal Services category in the amount of $708,051, Expenses category in the amount of $86,663, and Compensation to Retired Judges category in the amount of $470,880 within the Court Operations - Circuit Courts budget entity within the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund as part of the National Mortgage Foreclosure Settlement funds received by the state.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice ***Senate Analyst:*** Marti Harkness	***House Committee:*** Justice Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Sarah Toms

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STATE COURT SYSTEM					
	Program: Trial Courts				
	Court Operations - Circuit Courts				
N/A	Other Personal Services				
	From State Courts Revenue Trust Fund		708,051	708,051	
	Expenses				
	From State Courts Revenue Trust Fund		86,663	86,663	
	Special Categories				
	Compensation To Retired Judges				
	From State Courts Revenue Trust Fund		470,880	470,880	

EOG #B2013-0382

Justice Administration

EOG Number: B2013-0382

Problem Statement:

The Guardian ad Litem's (GAL) goal for Fiscal Year 2012-13 is to transform its program to an all volunteer work force, referred to as "Transformation 13". To accomplish this goal, the Guardian ad Litem program is undertaking an aggressive volunteer recruitment strategy by hiring volunteer supervisors to provide additional recruiting services to bring every office (except Miami where the goal is too large to accomplish in a single year) up to full utilization of all of the case coordinator resources as volunteer supervisors.

For Fiscal Year 2012-13, the legislature appropriated additional funding to the GAL in the Contracted Services appropriation category. To accomplish the goal of hiring volunteer supervisors, funding is needed in the Other Personal Services (OPS) category.

Agency Request:

The GAL is requesting to transfer $200,000 in budget authority to the Other Personal Services (OPS) category from the Contracted Services category and $60,000 in budget authority to the Other Personal Services (OPS) category from the Expense category to provide the agency with the flexibility to hire recruiting resources quickly, offer the agency the best opportunity to meet their goal and still build the required benchmarks for early success.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to transfer $260,000 in General Revenue funds from Contracted Services and Expenses categories to the Other Personal Services category within the Guardian ad Litem (GAL) Program to continue its focus on volunteer recruitment efforts with the goal of increasing representation of children in the dependency court system.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice ***Senate Analyst:*** Marti Harkness	***House Committee:*** Justice Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Sarah Toms

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JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION					
	Justice Administration				
	<u>Program: Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office</u>				
840	Other Personal Services				
	From General Revenue Fund		260,000	260,000	
841	Expenses				
	From General Revenue Fund		(60,000)	(60,000)	
844	Special Categories				
	Contracted Services				
	From General Revenue Fund		(200,000)	(200,000)	

Department of Legal Affairs and Attorney General

EOG Number: B2013-0389

Problem Statement:
The Attorney General entered into a joint-federal-state agreement with the nation's five largest mortgage servicers over foreclosure abuses and unacceptable nationwide mortgage servicing practices. The agreement provides Florida a payment of approximately $334 million. Pursuant to the settlement agreement, Florida's Attorney General shall designate the uses of the funds. "To the extent practicable, such funds shall be used for the purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, or unfair or deceptive acts or practices and to compensate the States for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protections enforcement efforts and civil penalties."

The Attorney General is requesting the distribution of $60 million (requested by the responsible agency via budget amendment) as provided below:

- $5 million to contract with legal aid entities within the seven regions of Florida's Regional Legal Services Delivery System to provide legal aid services (included in this amendment).
- $35 million to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for down payment assistance.
- $10 million to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for housing counseling.
- $5 million to the State Courts System to help with foreclosure related issues.
- $5 million to reimburse the Office of the Attorney General for legal fees (department has budget authority).

The Office of the Attorney General received data from the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Lender Processing Services, Inc. (LPS) to calculate a combined total of Floridians on the verge of a foreclosure crisis or foreclosure eligible. The LPS data included persons who were 30 days past due, 60 days past due, 90 days past due and those who were foreclosure eligible. The combined total was 531,803 as of September 2012. The data was used to determine the judicial circuit's share of funds in each of the seven regions that makes up "Florida's Regional Legal Services Delivery System."

This budget amendment request is for $5 million for the Office of the Attorney General/Department of Legal Affairs to directly contract only with regional legal service providers that will provide legal aid services.

Agency Request:
The Office of the Attorney General requests $5 million in budget authority in the Operating Trust Fund to directly contract with legal service providers to provide legal aid services in areas of the state that have the most significant problems related to mortgage foreclosure.

Region	# of Delinquent & Foreclosure Eligible	Distribution Amount
Region 1	26,773	$ 251,719
Region 2	46,051	$ 432,970
Region 3	116,971	$ 1,099,759
Region 4	94,196	$ 885,629
Region 5	97,223	$ 914,088
Region 6	66,582	$ 626,002
Region 7	84,007	$ 789,833
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		$ 5,000,000

Governor's Recommendation:
Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $5,000,000 in the Operating Trust Fund to allow the department to distribute funds to civil legal assistance groups in the seven regional areas identified as Florida's Regional Legal Services Delivery System, for providing assistance to those on the verge of foreclosure.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice
Senate Analyst: Eve Cantral

House Committee: Justice Appropriations Subcommittee
House Analyst: John McAuliffe

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LEGAL AFFAIRS , AND ATTORNEY GENERAL					
	Program: Office Of Attorney General <u>Executive Direction And Support Services</u>				
N/A	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region One From Operating Trust Fund		251,719	251,719	
	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region Two From Operating Trust Fund		432,970	432,970	
	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region Three From Operating Trust Fund		1,099,759	1,099,759	
	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region Four From Operating Trust Fund		885,629	885,629	
	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region Five From Operating Trust Fund		914,088	914,088	

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	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region Six From Operating Trust Fund		626,002	626,002	
	Special Categories Civil Legal Assistance For Mortgage Foreclosure In Region Seven From Operating Trust Fund		789,833	789,833	

EOG #B2013-0320

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

EOG Number: B2013-0320

Problem Statement:

In response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with BP for $20 million over a three-year period (October 2010 through October 2013). The MOU allotted $10 million for testing of Florida-landed seafood performed by the Division of Food Safety and $10 million to the Division of Marketing to market the results of the testing program, restore consumer confidence, and return demand for Florida seafood products harvested in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Division of Marketing spent $614,210 in FY 2010-11 and $3,748,141 in FY 2011-12. This leaves $5,637,649 remaining out of the original $10 million provided by BP. The Division of Marketing anticipates spending $5,137,649 in FY 2012-13 and has $3 million in authority for FY 2012-13 for current and anticipated contracts for marketing promotions.

The Division of Food Safety spent $1,554,732 in FY 2010-11 and $1,780,324 in FY 2011-12. This leaves $6,664,945 remaining out of the original $10 million provided by BP. The Division of Food Safety anticipates spending $4,180,374 in FY 2012-13 and has $4,085,943 in authority for FY 2012-13 for testing initiatives.

The department has insufficient budget authority to spend the additional $3,216,651 needed for testing and promotional initiatives.

Agency Request:

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services requests additional budget authority in the amount of $1,079,002 for the Division of Food Safety and $2,137,649 for the Division of Marketing in the Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund in the Deep Water Horizon special category to spend funds provided by BP for seafood testing and promotional activities.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $3,216,651 in the Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund to spend funds awarded by BP to continue testing, analyses and promotion of Florida Gulf seafood.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government ***Senate Analyst:*** Sandra Blizzard	***House Committee:*** Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Gail Lolley

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AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES , AND COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE					
	Program: Food Safety And Quality				
	Food Safety Inspection And Enforcement				
1467	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Deepwater Horizon - State Operations From Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund		1,079,002	1,079,002	
	Program: Agricultural Economic Development				
	Agricultural Products Marketing				
1504	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Deepwater Horizon - State Operations From Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund		2,137,649	2,137,649	

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

EOG Number: B2013-0319

Problem Statement: The Fiscal Year 2012-13 General Appropriations Act (GAA) provided "Qualified Expenditure" funding in the amount of $1,059,200 in the General Inspection Trust Fund for a new Food Inspection Management System. In August 2012, the Legislative Budget Commission approved the transfer and release of $754,560 from the Qualified Expenditure category to the Contracted Services category to cover the six-month period July through December 2012 for data migration, report development, and system documentation. The remaining balance of $304,640 is needed for testing, training, and system deployment, which are planned to begin in January 2013 and conclude by June 2013.
Agency Request: The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services requests the transfer and release of the remaining balance of $304,640 from the Qualified Expenditure category-Food Inspection Management System to the Contracted Services category in the General Inspection Trust Fund to complete the development of a new Food Inspection Management System.
Governor's Recommendation: Recommend approval to transfer and release budget authority in the amount of $304,640 in the General Inspection Trust Fund from the Qualified Expenditure Category-Food Inspection Management System category to Contracted Services to replace an obsolete Food Inspection Management System (FIMS).

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government ***Senate Analyst:*** Sandra Blizzard	***House Committee:*** Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Gail Lolley

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			Appropriation	Reserve	Appropriation	Reserve	Appropriation	Reserve
AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, AND COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE								
	Program: Food Safety And Quality <u>Food Safety Inspection And Enforcement</u>							
1464	Special Categories Contracted Services From General Inspection Trust Fund		304,640		304,640			
1467A	Qualified Expenditure Category Food Inspection Management System From General Inspection Trust Fund		(304,640)	(304,640)	(304,640)	(304,640)		

Office of Early Learning

EOG Number: B2013-0345

Problem Statement:

Florida's Office of Early Learning is charged with designing, developing and implementing the Early Learning Information System (ELIS), a centralized technology system that will support the administration of the state's School Readiness and Voluntary Prekindergarten Education programs to provide information for parents and service providers. To date, the project has completed the first three of seven planned design and development iterations and it is anticipated that the project will complete all remaining design, development and implementation phases in Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

Through the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2012-2013, the project team will complete the fourth, fifth and sixth design and development iterations and user acceptance testing with the Early Learning Coalitions, including functionality for Enrollment, Child Screening, Re-determination, and Attendance Management business processes. In order to pay for deliverables planned through the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2012-2013, the Office estimates that it will require approximately $377,597 in additional operating authority.

Agency Request:

The Agency requests a transfer of $312,932 from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Trust Fund and $64,665 from General Revenue in the Qualified Expenditure Category - Early Learning Information System (ELIS) to operating categories in order to pay for contractual obligations associated with the project through March 2013.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to transfer and release budget authority in the amount of $312,932 from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Trust Fund and $64,665 in General Revenue funds in the QEC-Early Learning Information System (ELIS) category to operating categories to pay for contractual obligations associated with the project through March 2013.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Education ***Senate Analyst:*** Tim Elwell	***House Committee:*** Education Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Allyce Heflin

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EDUCATION					
	Early Learning				
	<u>Program: Early Learning Services</u>				
76	Special Categories				
	Grants And Aids - Data Systems For School Readiness				
	From General Revenue Fund		64,665	64,665	
	From Child Care And Development Block Grant Trust Fund		309,771	309,771	
82A	Qualified Expenditure Category				
	Early Learning Info System Development (Elis)				
	From General Revenue Fund		(64,665)	(64,665)	
	From Child Care And Development Block Grant Trust Fund		(312,932)	(312,932)	
83	Data Processing Services				
	Southwood Shared Resource Center				
	From Child Care And Development Block Grant Trust Fund		3,161	3,161	

Division of Emergency Management

EOG Number: B2013-0368

Problem Statement:
On August 25, 2012, the Governor issued Executive Order 12-199, declaring that a state of emergency existed in the State of Florida related to the impacts of Tropical Storm Isaac. The primary impact to the state was widespread flooding in 15 counties. As a result of this event, a federal declaration, FEMA-4084-DR, was received on October 18, 2012. Ultimately, 11 counties were designated eligible for the federal Public Assistance (PA) Program.

The PA Program has a 25% non-federal match requirement. The match amount in this request reflects state policy: 25% state funding for state agencies' costs; and a 12.5% state/12.5% local split for local costs.

As the state entity responsible for managing and coordinating disaster recovery efforts, the Division of Emergency Management (DEM) needs additional budget authority in the Grants and Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - State Operations appropriation category in order to cover the PA Program's state and federal management and administrative costs related to Tropical Storm Isaac. The Division has sufficient funds available to cover the additional budget authority needed.

Agency Request:
The Division of Emergency Management (DEM) requests $1,213,877 of budget authority to cover the Public Assistance Program's state and federal management and administrative costs related to Tropical Storm Isaac. In addition, the division requests $700,000 be realigned between appropriation categories to more accurately reflect expenditures.

Governor's Recommendation:
Recommend approval to transfer budget authority in the amount of $700,000 in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund between categories, as well as approval to increase budget authority by $1,092,103 in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund and $121,774 in the U.S. Contributions Trust Fund to allow proper disbursement of funds related to the recovery efforts associated with Tropical Storm Isaac.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development ***Senate Analyst:*** Kristin Pingree	***House Committee:*** Appropriations Committee ***House Analyst:*** Gus (James) Delaney

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GOVERNOR, EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE					
	Program: Emergency Management				
	Emergency Prevention, Preparedness And Response				
N/A	Special Categories				
	Grants And Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - State Operations				
	From Grants And Donations Trust Fund		1,092,103	1,092,103	
	From Grants And Donations Trust Fund		700,000	700,000	
	From U.S. Contributions Trust Fund		121,774	121,774	
	Special Categories				
	Grants And Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - Purchasing Card - State Operations				
	From Grants And Donations Trust Fund		(700,000)	(700,000)	

EOG #B2013-0371

Division of Emergency Management

EOG Number: B2013-0371

Problem Statement:

The Other Needs Assistance (ONA) Program provides financial assistance to individuals and households who have losses to essential personal property that are a direct result of the disaster and who do not qualify for a low interest loan from the Small Business Administration. The ONA program provides funds for expenses that are not covered by insurance, volunteer agencies or other sources. Funds are provided directly to eligible individuals by FEMA, which ultimately bills the state for 25% of the total disbursed.

In June 2012, Tropical Storm Debby impacted Florida causing approximately $114 million in damage. The Division of Emergency Management previously requested $654,206 in budget authority based on September 2012 estimates provided by FEMA. The projected amount has since increased and additional budget authority is needed to reimburse the federal government for the additional state share.

Agency Request:

The Division of Emergency Management requests $150,577 of additional budget authority in the "Grants and Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - Other Needs Assistance Program - Pass Through" appropriation category in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund to reimburse the federal government for the state's share of this program.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $150,577 in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the 2012 Other Needs Assistance Program category to reimburse the federal government for the state share of this program.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development ***Senate Analyst:*** Kristin Pingree	***House Committee:*** Appropriations Committee ***House Analyst:*** Gus (James) Delaney

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GOVERNOR, EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE					
	Program: Emergency Management				
	Emergency Prevention, Preparedness And Response				
N/A	Special Categories				
	Grants And Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - Other Needs Assistance Program (Ona) - Pass Through From Grants And Donations Trust Fund		150,577	150,577	

Department of Economic Opportunity

EOG Number: B2013-0325

Problem Statement:

The Department of Economic Opportunity's (DEO) Workforce Development program utilizes federal pass through funds in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund to provide employment and re-employment service funding to the state's Regional Workforce Boards (RWBs). These pass through funds have increased significantly in the past several years to provide core, intensive training services to adults, youth and dislocated workers. Approximately 33% of the funds are from prior program years and may be at risk of reversion if not fully spent.

As a result of these increases and monies carried forward from prior years, DEO utilized a portion ($33,809,609) of the current FY 2012-13 budget authority in the Grants and Aids - Regional Workforce Boards appropriation category to cover the pass through of certified forward expenditures from FY 2011-12 in federal workforce funds to the RWBs. Due to this, there is insufficient budget authority in the current FY 2012-13 Grant and Aid Regional Workforce Board appropriation category to cover the pass through of estimated federal funds to the RWBs.

At a minimum the Department will need $33,809,609 in authority to cover the deficit created by having to pay last year's carry forward appropriation with the current year's authority. Without this additional operating budget authority, it is anticipated that the Department will fully expend its appropriation in March 2013, and will be unable to continue to pass federal workforce funds to the Regional Workforce Boards.

Agency Request:

The Department of Economic Opportunity requests $33,809,609 in additional operating budget authority to expend federal workforce funds in the Employment Security Trust Fund in the Grants and Aids - Regional Workforce Boards appropriation category, to cover pass through funds requested by the Regional Workforce Boards through June 30, 2013 to provide employment and re-employment service funding to the state's Regional Workforce Boards.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend providing additional operating budget authority of $33,809,609 in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund, in the Grants and Aids - Regional Workforce Boards appropriation category within the Workforce Development budget entity, to cover carry forward expenditures from pass through funds requested by the Regional Workforce Boards through June 30, 2012 that were expended using current year (FY 2012-13) appropriations.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development ***Senate Analyst:*** Kristin Pingree	***House Committee:*** Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Timothy Proctor

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ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY					
	Program: Workforce Services Workforce Development				
2252	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Regional Workforce Boards From Employment Security Administration Trust Fund		33,809,609	33,809,609	

Department of Economic Opportunity

EOG Number: B2013-0323

Problem Statement:

In 2009, the Agency for Workforce Innovation (now the Department of Economic Opportunity) was charged with implementing a system to replace the existing 30-year old mainframe-based system that currently supports the Reemployment Assistance program. "Project Connect" is completely funded with federal funds and is currently scheduled for completion by October 2013.

Sections 72 and 75 of the FY 2012-13 General Appropriations Act (GAA) reverted and reappropriated all FY 2011-12 unexpended budget authority for the project into FY 2012-13. The reappropriated budget authority included $13,401,757 that had already been released into operating appropriation categories (OPS, Expenses, OCO, and Contracted Services) and $8,396,039 held in reserve within the Qualified Expenditure Category (QEC). In the FY 2012-13 GAA, the Legislature provided an additional $20,233,838 for Project Connect in the QEC category. On September 12, 2012, the Legislative Budget Commission approved the Department's request that $5,829,524 be transferred from the QEC category and released into operating appropriation categories to address estimated Project Connect expenditures through December 31, 2012.

Between January and March of 2013 the project will continue code development for core processes, sub-system testing, design and development of the training program, and creation of training materials. In the final quarter of FY 2012-13, the project will continue with training design, preparation of training materials, complete core development, and continue development based on change requests. Development will be working towards the delivery of the first code build to the testing team, currently anticipated for early August 2013.

The project's current budget authority is $19,121,098, however, it is estimated that the project will spend $23,172,170 during FY 2012-13, which currently exceeds the amount of budget authority available in operating appropriation categories by $4,051,072.

Agency Request:

In order to continue implementing Project Connect through June 30, 2013, the Department of Economic Opportunity requests that $4,051,072 in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund be allocated from the QEC, releasing $2,352,977 to operating categories and the remaining $1,698,095 being placed into reserve.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend that $4,051,072 in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund be allocated and released from the "Qualified Expenditure Category (QEC) - Reemployment Assistance Claims and Benefits System" appropriation category to the following operating appropriation categories, in order to continue implementing the Reemployment Assistance Program information system replacement project known as Project Connect:

Other Personal Services: Release $28,955, Reserve $4,032

Grants and Aids - Contracted Services: Release $2,324,022, Reserve $1,694,063

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development ***Senate Analyst:*** Kristin Pingree	***House Committee:*** Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Timothy Proctor

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			Appropriation	Reserve	Release	Appropriation	Reserve	Release	Appropriation	Reserve	Release
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY											
	Program: Workforce Services <u>Reemployment Assistance Program</u>										
2259	Other Personal Services From Employment Security Administration Trust Fund		32,987	4,032	28,955	32,987	4,032	28,955			
2262	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Contracted Services From Employment Security Administration Trust Fund		4,018,085	1,694,063	2,324,022	4,018,085	1,694,063	2,324,022			
2265	Qualified										

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			Appropriation	Reserve	Release	Appropriation	Reserve	Release	Appropriation	Reserve	Release
	Expenditure Category Reemployment Assistance Claims And Benefits System From Employment Security Administration Trust Fund		(4,051,072)	(4,051,072)		(4,051,072)	(4,051,072)				

Department of Economic Opportunity

EOG Number: B2013-0385

Problem Statement:

On December 6, 2012, the United States Department of Labor / Employment and Training Administration approved a grant modification request from the Department of Economic Opportunity to provide supplemental funding in the amount of $2,699,712 for the National Emergency Grant/Tropical Storm Debby Project No. FL-17. When the initial grant application was submitted, the State assumed that only traditional clean-up and recovery efforts would be needed. It was subsequently determined, however, that Tropical Storm Debby contributed to the decline of the oyster beds in Apalachicola Bay in Franklin County, Florida. Damage to the Bay has had a significant impact on hundreds of workers who rely on the Bay for their livelihood.

The federally approved proposal will provide temporary jobs for workers to restore, repair and replenish the natural oyster bars so that oysters will continue to have a place to grow, and to assist in mitigating the negative economic conditions that are impacting the Apalachicola Bay area.

Special appropriation categories have been established to track expenditures related to major disasters for FY 2012-13. In order to appropriately reflect grant award expenditures, additional operating budget authority totaling $2,699,712 needs to be established in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund in the Workforce Development budget entity.

Agency Request:

The Department of Economic Opportunity requests $2,699,712 in additional operating budget authority be established in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund in the Workforce Development budget entity to cover the program costs ($2,675,304) and state-level administrative costs ($24,408) of restoring the Apalachicola Bay oyster bars.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $2,699,712 in the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund to implement a new federal National Emergency Grant award for payment of temporary workers in Franklin County to restore the oyster beds in Apalachicola Bay damaged by Tropical Storm Debby.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development ***Senate Analyst:*** Kristin Pingree	***House Committee:*** Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Timothy Proctor

Line Item No.	Budget Entity / Fund / Appropriation Category Title LASPBS Account Number	CF	**REQUESTED BY AGENCY** Appropriation	**RECOMMENDED BY GOVERNOR** Appropriation	**APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMISSION** Appropriation
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY					
	Program: Workforce Services <u>Workforce Development</u>				
N/A	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - State Operations From Employment Security Administration Trust Fund		24,408	24,408	
	Special Categories Grants And Aids - Major Disasters 2012 - Pass Through From Employment Security Administration Trust Fund		2,675,304	2,675,304	

Department of Management Services

EOG Number: B2013-0378

Problem Statement:

Section 287.057(22), Florida Statutes, directs the Department of Management Services (DMS) to "develop a program for online procurement of commodities and contractual services to enable the state to promote open competition and to leverage its buying power…"

On October 9, 2002, the DMS contracted with a vendor to provide the state with the online eProcurement system, MyFloridaMarketPlace (MFMP), where state agency buyers and vendors conduct public purchasing on a daily basis. The contract with the vendor was renegotiated in 2009 and had an annual fixed fee of $14.8 million. This contract expired on December 8, 2012, and an extension was signed to bridge the gap between contract expiration and the execution of a new contract.

Section 65 of the Fiscal Year 2012-13 General Appropriations Act (GAA) authorized the DMS to competitively procure a contract for operation of the state purchasing system. The DMS released an Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) on May 9, 2012 for a service provider to support the MFMP application and program. The DMS has selected the current vendor and the new contract is anticipated to begin on February 1, 2013 for a four-year term. The average annual cost of the new contract will be $10.9 million.

The GAA appropriated funds from the Operating Trust Fund to pay for operations of the MFMP for six months. Proviso language in the GAA authorizes the department to submit budget amendments for funds relating to the costs of a new contract, transitioning, and/or resources in traditional categories if the department determines all or a portion of the state purchasing system shall be provided by the department. The DMS requests budget authority to pay the contract costs for the last five months of Fiscal Year 2012-13 to continue the operations of MFMP.

Agency Request:

The Department of Management Services requests additional budget authority in the Purchasing Oversight budget entity in the Operating Trust Fund in the amount of $4,654,334 in order to cover the remaining five months of this fiscal year under the new contract.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $4,635,667 in the Web-Based E-Procurement System appropriation category and $18,667 in the Expenses appropriation category in the Operating Trust Fund to support the new MyFloridaMarketPlace e-procurement system contract for the period from February 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government ***Senate Analyst:*** Gino Betta	***House Committee:*** Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Clay White

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MANAGEMENT SERVICES					
	Program: Support Program				
	<u>Purchasing Oversight</u>				
2806	Expenses				
	From Operating Trust Fund		18,667	18,667	
2811	Special Categories				
	Web-Based E-Procurement System				
	From Operating Trust Fund		4,635,667	4,635,667	

Department of Management Services

EOG Number: B2013-0375

Problem Statement:

The Department of Management Services (DMS), as authorized in chapter 255, Florida Statutes, oversaw the design and construction of the First District Court of Appeal courthouse in Tallahassee. The project is complete. The remaining unpaid invoices are for the interior finishes: framed photographic reproductions produced by Signature Art Gallery (SAG) and other related expenses. The total costs equal $514,884, including $357,500 specifically for the framed photographic reproductions. Section 255.043, Florida Statutes, provides that the cost of works of art may not exceed $100,000 for each publicly constructed building. The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) did not pay for the framed photographic reproductions due to the language contained in section 255.043, Florida Statutes. Litigation seeking payment for the unpaid invoices followed. A mediation conference occurred on November 28, 2012.

The CFO, Department of Financial Services and the DMS entered into a settlement agreement with Peter R. Brown Construction Company (Brown) and SAG on December 3, 2012. The settlement agreement requires that the DMS request, in accordance with section 216.216, Florida Statutes, approval by the Legislative Budget Commission of a budget amendment for funds totaling $514,884 to pay Brown. If the budget amendment is approved, the settlement agreement requires the DMS to submit a voucher to the CFO and the CFO to approve the DMS' request and issue warrants to Brown for payment in the amount of $392,658.56. The settlement agreement directs Brown to pay Signature Art Gallery $357,500 and provides $78,225 for resolution of the construction manager's fee and outstanding project costs, and $44,000 for storage, court costs, and other expenditures.

Under the settlement, following the payments to Brown, the framed photographs will become the property of the DMS and the litigation (five cases) and all related appeals will be dismissed.

Agency Request:

The Department of Management Services requests an increase in the Florida Facilities Pool Working Capital Trust Fund of $514,884 ($392,659 in the Operating Capital Outlay category and $122,225 in the Settlement Agreements category) in the Facilities Management budget entity.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority in the amount of $392,659 in the Operating Capital Outlay appropriation category and $122,225 in the Settlement Agreements appropriation category from the Florida Facilities Pool Working Capital Trust Fund within the Facilities Management budget entity in order to pay a mediated settlement agreement regarding the First District Court of Appeal courthouse and Signature Art Gallery.

Senate Committee: Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government ***Senate Analyst:*** Gino Betta	***House Committee:*** Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee ***House Analyst:*** Clay White

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MANAGEMENT SERVICES					
	Program: Facilities Program				
	Facilities Management				
N/A	Operating Capital Outlay				
	From Florida Facilities Pool Working Capital Trust Fund		392,659	392,659	
	Special Categories				
	Settlement Agreements				
	From Florida Facilities Pool Working Capital Trust Fund		122,225	122,225	

EOG #B2013-0366

Florida Housing Finance Corporation

EOG Number: B2013-0366

Problem Statement:

The Attorney General has entered into a multi-state settlement agreement related to deceptive practices of specified loan service entities resulting in a court order providing Florida in excess of $300 million in settlement payments to be expended on housing and loan-related program activity. The settlement allows for the allocation of funds to include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protections enforcement efforts and civil penalties.

Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) operates the First Time Homebuyer (FTHB) Program which primarily uses the proceeds of tax-exempt bond issues to make 30-year first mortgages available to eligible homebuyers. In conjunction with the FTHB Program, Florida Housing, through the Homeownership Assistance Program (HAP), assists eligible homebuyers in purchasing their home, primarily by providing up to $7,500 of down payment assistance in the form of a 0% non-amortizing, second mortgage that runs concurrently with the FTHB first mortgage. The FTHB Program serves first-time homebuyers statewide earning up to 120% of the area median income. However, current or previous homeowners may qualify if they are eligible for a special one-time Veteran's exception or if they purchase in Federally Designated Target Areas. Homebuyers must also certify that they have a present intent to occupy the home as their principal residence.

Borrowers must be able to credit-qualify for a 30 year fixed rate FHA, VA, USDA-RD, or certain Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac conventional loans in order to receive a FTHB Program first mortgage loan and an accompanying HAP second mortgage loan. Eligible properties primarily include short sale properties and foreclosed units for sale by a bank, bank holding company, government agency, or authorized REO designated entity, as well as other existing "for sale" homes.

Using $35 million from the Attorney General foreclosure settlement, FHFC proposes to help these homebuyers by reducing the first mortgage interest rate and providing down payment assistance to potential buyers through the existing HAP, but there is insufficient budget authority to provide this assistance.

Agency Request:

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation requests $35,000,000 from the State Housing Trust Fund to assist homebuyers in Florida by reducing the first mortgage interest rate of FTHB loans and/or by making accompanying down payment assistance loans to eligible homebuyers.

Governor's Recommendation:
Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $35,000,000 in the State Housing Trust Fund to assist homebuyers in Florida by reducing the first mortgage interest rate of First Time Home Buyer loans and/or by making accompanying down payment assistance loans to eligible homebuyers.

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As a result of the economic downturn, many homeowners in Florida are at risk of losing their homes to foreclosure. Some federal funding has been available to support foreclosure counseling services for these homeowners, but limited funding has meant that many at risk homeowners have not been helped. Foreclosure counseling services can help homeowners avoid foreclosure; assist homeowners entering foreclosure in managing the process in a way that is least disruptive to their families; provide good financial management education to help families better manage their money; and assist families with credit problems to become financially stable. Foreclosure counseling services are provided through a network of U.S. Housing and Urban Development certified housing counseling agencies throughout the state through a fee-for-service contract with Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC).

Using $10 million from the Attorney General foreclosure settlement, FHFC proposes to provide funding for foreclosure counseling services allocated proportionally to those areas hardest hit by foreclosures using foreclosure data for Florida to inform the allocation. There is currently insufficient budget authority to provide this assistance.

In addition, a portion not to exceed 7.5% of the total funding is requested to be used for administrative costs, including compliance and quality assurance monitoring and data reporting functions.

Agency Request:

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation requests $10,000,000 from the State Housing Trust Fund to make funds available on a fee-for-service basis to HUD certified housing counseling agencies throughout the state to provide foreclosure counseling services for homeowners at risk of losing their homes to foreclosure.

Governor's Recommendation:

Recommend approval to increase budget authority by $10,000,000 in the State Housing Trust Fund to make funds available on a fee-for-service basis to U.S. Housing and Urban Development certified housing counseling agencies throughout the state to help

homeowners with default and foreclosure problems.

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