STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



COVID-19 Emergency Powers

Pursuant to Proviso 1.85

August 9, 2023

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Proviso 1.85 (SDE: COVID-19 Emergency Powers)

Per Proviso 1.85, the State Superintendent of Education is required to report on the emergency powers exercised under the proviso.

- **1.85.** (SDE: COVID-19 Emergency Powers) (A) The Superintendent of Education is authorized to provide maximum financial flexibility including, but not limited to, the authority to carry forward any cash balances to local school districts adjusting to operations in response to COVID-19.
- (B) The State Superintendent of Education is authorized to carry forward any cash balances maintained by the Department of Education. The superintendent is further authorized to transfer any appropriations within the department to assist local school districts to use summer reading camps and all other available tools to ensure appropriate time is spent by students to keep them on grade level and satisfy their learning needs adjusting operations in response to COVID-19.
- (C) On or before August 1, 2022, the State Superintendent of Education shall provide a report to the Senate Finance Committee, the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Education Committee, and the House of Representatives Education and Public Works Committee concerning the emergency powers exercised in this provision.

Emergency Powers Exercised

Amount (if applicable)	Summary
	Transferred EIA carry forward from 4K to fund CERDEP
\$258,567.20	Carry forward funding appropriated for school value added system
\$626.00	Carry forward funding for remaining from Grants Committee Appropriation
\$4,468,892.23	Used 1.85 to carry forward EIA 4K balance
\$3,798,565.69	Used 1.85 to carry forward EIA Charter School Balance
\$192,150.00	Used 1.85 to carry forward EIA for CTE operating for Vocational Education equipment