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SECTION 11 - H030 - COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

- 11.12 CONFORM TO FUNDING / AMEND** (College Transition Need-Based Grants) Directs that no more than \$179,178 of need-based grants funding be used to provide need-based grants at an established college transition program that serves students with intellectual disabilities. Provides guidelines for awarding and allocating the funds and requires the number of grant recipients be tracked to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.
HOU: AMEND proviso to change “\$179,178” to “\$350,000.” Sponsor: Rep. Merrill.
SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONFORM to funding recommendation.

11.12. (CHE: College Transition Need-Based Grants) Of the currently appropriated need-based grants funding, no more than \$179,178 ~~\$179,178~~ *\$350,000* shall be used to provide need-based grants to South Carolina resident students enrolled at a public institution of higher education in an established college transition program that serves students with intellectual disabilities. The Commission on Higher Education shall allocate the available funds to eligible institutions on the basis of student need and enrollment in the established college transition programs. All other grants and gift aid for which these students are eligible must be applied first to the cost of attendance prior to using the need-based grant funding. If the cost of attendance for an eligible student is met with all other grants and gift aid, the need-based grant shall not be used. The participating institutions, in cooperation with the Commission on Higher Education, shall track the number of grant recipients and other information determined necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of these grants in assisting students with intellectual disabilities in college transition programs.

- 11.14 AMEND** (Other Funded FTE Revenue) Requires higher education institutions to confirm to CHE or its successor entity that they have sufficient revenue to fund the salary and fringe benefits of any new other funded full-time positions they request. Directs the institutions, when calculating the required revenue, to also take into consideration any possible future pay increases and health insurance adjustments that may be mandated by the General Assembly.
SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND proviso to require the Executive Budget Office, when higher education institutions request additional other funded FTE’s, to inform CHE of its decision regarding the request and whether the institution has sufficient revenue to fund the salary and fringe benefits. Delete the requirement that institutions take future pay increases and health insurance adjustments into consideration when calculating the funds needed for the requested positions.

11.14. (CHE: Other Funded FTE Revenue) ~~Each institution~~ *When* institutions of higher learning ~~when requesting~~ *request* additional other funded full-time equivalent positions, ~~shall ensure to the Executive Budget Office shall inform~~ the Commission on Higher Education, ~~or its successor entity, that~~ *of its decision regarding the request and whether or not* sufficient revenues exist to fund the salary and fringe benefits for the positions. ~~In addition, the institution shall also ensure that in the calculation of the revenue required for the positions, future pay increases and future health insurance adjustments as may be mandated by the General Assembly are taken into consideration.~~

- 11.17 DELETE** (Transferability) Directs CHE’s Council of Presidents or its designees, in consultation with the State Board for Tec and Comp Ed, or its designees, to make recommendations by May 2, 2016, to the Chairmen of the Senate Education and House Education and Public Works Committees on policy options concerning the development of a smoother transition for students

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with Associate Degrees from public 2-year institutions who wish to transfer to public research institutions and 4-year institutions.

WMC: DELETE proviso.

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

~~11.17. (CHE: Transferability) No later than May 2, 2016, the Commission on Higher Education's Council of Presidents, or the council's designees, in consultation with the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education, or its designees, shall make a recommendation(s) to the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee and the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee concerning policy options for the state to consider with regards to the development of a more seamless transition for students with Associate Degrees from public two-year institutions of higher learning wishing to transfer to public research institutions and four-year colleges and universities. Recommendations must consider both the costs and opportunities of the option(s) presented including, but not limited to, impacts on institutional core requirements and accreditation standards. Nothing herein shall be construed as superseding any agreements, memorandums of understanding, or letters of intent that are in effect in the current fiscal year between or on behalf of one or more public institutions of higher learning in this state with another public institution or institutions of higher learning in this state regarding the transferability of students between institutions as described herein.~~

11.18 DELETE (Technical College Study) Directs CHE to examine whether a program that allows a student who graduated from a South Carolina high school or who attained the equivalency of a high school diploma to attend a state technical college without paying tuition and fees for a specified time is viable. Directs certain parameters for CHE to identify and consider; requires CHE propose program criteria; and directs that a report be submitted to the General Assembly by January 31, 2016 summarizing the findings and permits recommendations to be included in the report.

WMC: DELETE proviso. *Report has been completed and submitted.* Requested by Commission on Higher Education.

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

~~11.18. (CHE: Technical College Study) (A) The Commission on Higher Education shall examine the viability of a program that allows a student who graduated from a high school in this state or who attained the state educational equivalency of a high school diploma to attend a state technical college without paying tuition and fees at the institution for a specified period. When conducting the examination, the commission shall identify and consider:~~

- ~~(1) The anticipated number of students who will participate in the program;~~
- ~~(2) The anticipated annual cost of the program and federal, state and other sources of funding that could be used to pay the costs of the program;~~
- ~~(3) Current capacity available at state technical colleges to enroll additional students;~~
- ~~(4) The ability of the program to increase the state's pool of skilled workers and meet projected workforce demands;~~
- ~~(5) The impact of the program to increase educational attainment in the state;~~
- ~~(6) The regions of the state the program would likely significantly increase educational attainment and workforce readiness;~~
- ~~(7) Potential eligibility criteria for students participating in the program; and~~

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~~(8) The possibility of requiring students to first use financial aid available to the students, including federal funding provided to low income students for the purpose of paying for post-secondary education.~~

~~(B) The commission shall propose criteria for the program.~~

~~(C) The commission shall submit a report that summarizes the findings to the General Assembly no later than January 31, 2016. The report may include recommendations for legislation.~~

11.19 REINSERT/AMEND (College and University Out of State Veteran Tuition Differential Reimbursement Fund) Directs the State Treasurer to establish a separate and distinct College and University Out of State Veteran Tuition Differential Reimbursement Fund from funds appropriated or authorized to CHE for that purpose and directs that those monies be deposited into the fund and that accrued interest remain in the fund. Directs that the purpose of the fund is to reimburse higher education institutions for revenue lost as a result of the provisions of Section 59-112-50(C) [TUITION RATES FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL AND THEIR DEPENDENTS]. Provides guidelines for the reimbursement process.

WMC: DELETE proviso.

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: REINSERT proviso and AMEND to change “2016” to “each year.”

11.19. (CHE: College and University Out of State Veteran Tuition Differential Reimbursement Fund) Of the funds appropriated to and/or authorized for the Commission on Higher Education for the Out of State Veteran Tuition Reimbursement, the Office of State Treasurer is directed to establish a fund, separate and distinct from the general fund and all other funds, entitled the College and University Out of State Veteran Tuition Differential Reimbursement Fund. Any funds appropriated and/or authorized in the current fiscal year for this purpose must be deposited into the fund and interest accrued by the fund must remain in the fund.

The purpose of the fund is to reimburse public institutions of higher learning, as defined in Section 59-103-5 of the 1976 Code, for revenue loss resulting from the provisions of Section 59-112-50(C). By March 1, ~~2016~~ each year, a public institution of higher learning seeking a reimbursement from this fund must submit an application to the Commission on Higher Education to receive a reimbursement from the fund. The total reimbursement to a public institution may not exceed the difference between the amounts the institution would have charged but for Section 59-112-50(C), and the amounts the institution actually charged. The Commission on Higher Education may require any proof it determines necessary to verify the veracity of the application.

By June 15, ~~2016~~ each year, the Commission on Higher Education must distribute the funds to those institutions that have applied pursuant to this provision. In the event that the total requested and verified reimbursements exceed the amount in the fund, the distribution to each public institution shall be reduced pro rata based on the institution’s amount of verified reimbursements compared to the total amount of verified reimbursements of all institutions.

SECTION 14 - H120 - CLEMSON UNIVERSITY - EDUCATIONAL & GENERAL

14.1 DELETE (Electrical Infrastructure) Directs Clemson to enter into negotiations with an appropriate entity or electric cooperative to determine the feasibility to purchase and operate the main campus electrical infrastructure and associated infrastructure maintenance, and to report the

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results of the negotiations to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees by December 1, 2015.

WMC: DELETE proviso. *After extensive analysis and negotiations with Duke Energy it was determined that it would be cost prohibitive to enter into a contractual agreement with Duke Energy under the current regulatory framework.*

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

~~14.1. (CU: Electrical Infrastructure) Clemson University is directed to enter into negotiations with an appropriate entity or an electric cooperative to determine the feasibility for the purchase and operation of the main campus electrical infrastructure and maintenance associated with said infrastructure. A report shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee by December 1, 2015 on the results of the negotiations.~~

SECTION 19 - H240 - SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

19.1 AMEND FURTHER (Loan Funds) Provides for any loan funds not disbursed pursuant to proviso 19.2 to be carried forward. Directs the State Treasurer, upon EBO certification to disburse up to \$8,500,000 to the university pursuant to this provision and directs that the loan funds consists of the carry forward funds and the \$4,000,000 approved for FY 15-16 by the JBRC. Allows undisbursed funds to be carried forward. Provides for conditions which must be met for disbursement of funds. Directs that if the conditions are not met, scheduled installment payments must be suspended until EBO certifies the university has taken corrective actions.

WMC: AMEND proviso to update fiscal year references. Change the amount the State Treasurer is to disburse in FY 2016-17 from "\$8,500,000" to "\$2,000,000;" Change "\$4,000,000" to "\$2,000,000." Amend what EBO must certify in order to compel disbursements by deleting reference to the initial quarterly scheduled installment of disbursements and "for each remaining quarterly installment." Authorize the State Auditor to review and audit the University's financial structure and activities to ensure that there are sufficient financial and internal controls in place and direct that findings and recommendations be submitted by 12/30/16. Provide for loan funds disbursed pursuant to Proviso 19.2 of Act 286 of 2014 to be forgiven if certain benchmarks are met and require CHE certify by November 1st that the university has met and maintained the required benchmarks. Direct the State Fiscal Accountability Authority to establish a consolidated repayment schedule if the benchmarks are not met.

HOU: ADOPT proviso as amended.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND FURTHER to change the amount the State Treasurer is to disburse in FY 2016-17 from "\$2,000,000" to "\$4,000,000." Amend what EBO must certify in order to compel disbursements by reinserting the requirement that for the initial quarterly scheduled installment of disbursements and "for each remaining quarterly installment" a balanced budget is established and maintained. Authorize the State Auditor to audit the university's finances and upon request from the interim board of trustees, to audit the university's internal controls. Direct that findings and recommendations be submitted by 3/1/17. Provide for \$1,000,000 of the loan funds disbursed pursuant to Proviso 19.2 of Act 286 of 2014, plus interest, to be forgiven if the university has attained accreditation status for FY 2016-17 and has received the initial disbursement for this fiscal year. Direct the university to provide a report to the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees by December 31, 2016 on the status of their fiscal affairs and enrollment growth. Delete the requirement that CHE certify by November 1st that the university has met and maintained the required benchmarks

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and delete the authority for the State Fiscal Accountability Authority to establish a consolidated repayment schedule if the benchmarks are not met.

19.1. (SCSU: Blue Ribbon Commission Loan Funds) (A) Pursuant to Proviso 19.2, Part IB, of Act 286 of 2014, South Carolina State University was approved for a loan to be disbursed through a series of scheduled installments. Any funds not disbursed to the university pursuant to the schedule during Fiscal Year ~~2014-15~~ 2015-16 shall be carried forward to Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17. In Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17, the State Treasurer, upon certification of the Executive Budget Office, shall disburse up to \$8,500,000 ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$4,000,000 to the university pursuant to the provisions contained in this proviso. The loan amount consists of (1) funds carried forward pursuant to this proviso and (2) the \$4,000,000 ~~\$2,000,000~~ approved for Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17 by the Joint Bond Review Committee pursuant to Paragraph 19.2, Part IB, of Act 286 of 2014. Any funds approved pursuant Paragraph 19.2, Part IB, of Act 286 of 2014 that remain undisbursed at the end of Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17 shall be carried forward. The loan must be at an interest rate established by the State Treasurer pursuant to Section 11-9-250 of the 1976 Code.

(B) To compel disbursements in Fiscal Year 2016-17, the Executive Budget Office must certify that:

(1) **for the initial scheduled quarterly installment, which to the extent practicable shall occur on or before August 30, 2016, the Board of Trustees of the university, based on reasonable enrollment and other realistic budgetary assumptions, has adopted a balanced budget, whereby operating expenditures do not exceed operating revenue and that the university is not projected by the Executive Budget Office, based upon a cash flow analysis, to fall out of balance for the quarter; and**

(2) **for each remaining quarterly installment, the Executive Budget Office, certifies that the university's budget for the fiscal year in which the loan is made remains in balance based on a cash flow analysis at the time of the installment payment and that the university is not projected, by the Executive Budget Office, based on a cash flow analysis, to fall out of balance during the quarter.**

(C) If the provisions contained in item (B) are not met, then installment payments scheduled but not yet made must be suspended until the Executive Budget Office certifies that the university has taken necessary corrective action to meet the provisions of this proviso.

~~(D) Pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 7, the State Auditor shall review and audit, if necessary, the financial structure and activities of the university to ensure sufficient financial and internal controls are in place to protect the financial integrity of the university or cause to be audited, the university's finances. In addition, upon a request of the university's interim Board of Trustees, the State Auditor shall audit, or cause to be audited the university's internal controls. A separate report of findings and recommendations arising from the financial audit and the internal control audit, if one is conducted, shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office, by December 30, 2016~~ **March 1, 2017.**

~~(E) The \$1,000,000 of the loan funds disbursed to South Carolina State University pursuant to Proviso 19.2, Part IB, of Act 286 of 2014, including any associated interest, shall be forgiven as follows: \$6,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2016-17; and \$4,000,000 and \$2,000,000 respectively, over subsequent fiscal years provided the University has met the following benchmarks:~~

~~(1) For Fiscal Year 2016-17 the university must have attained accreditation status from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; and~~

~~(2) For each subsequent fiscal year the university must maintain such accreditation status; maintain a balanced budget as certified by the Executive Budget Office; and achieve a one percent growth in full-time student enrollment above the prior fiscal year enrollment and in~~

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~~the subsequent fiscal year achieve a two percent growth above the prior fiscal year enrollment. The university received the initial disbursement for this fiscal year pursuant to subsection (B)(1).~~

~~(3) (F) South Carolina State University must provide a report on a quarterly basis to the House Ways and Means Higher Education and Technical Schools Subcommittee Committee and the Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee Committee that includes, but is not limited to, the status of their fiscal affairs and enrollment growth on or before December 31, 2016.~~

~~The Commission on Higher Education, by November 1st, shall certify to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office that the university has met and maintained the required benchmarks each fiscal year.~~

~~In the event the university does not meet the benchmarks for loan forgiveness, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority shall establish a consolidated repayment schedule for the loans authorized by Act 286 of 2014 for an amortization period not longer than twenty five years.~~

19.2 AMEND NEW PROVISO (University President) WMC: ADD new proviso to state the intent of the General Assembly for the S.C. State University Interim Board of Trustees to conduct a national search to hire a permanent president by December 31, 2016 and require the interim board to submit progress reports on the status of the search to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees on August 2, October 1, and December 1, 2016. Direct that if the interim board fails to meet the hiring deadline, they must provide an explanation to the chairmen by January 2, 2017 as to why they are non-compliant.

HOU: ADOPT new proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND new proviso to delete House version and instead direct that pursuant to Section 1(D) of Act 121 of 2015, the S.C. State University Interim Board of Trustees is solely responsible for the selection, periodic evaluation, and retention or terminations of the university's president. Direct that if the interim board conducts a search to hire a president, they shall submit a progress report on the status of the search to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees within 90 days of the start of the search, or August 2, 2016, whichever is later, with subsequent updates at least every 90 days if an active search remains in effect.

~~19.2. (SCSU: University President) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the South Carolina State University Interim Board of Trustees conduct a national search to hire a permanent President for the university by December 31, 2016. The Interim Board of Trustees shall submit progress reports on the status of the search process for a new president to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee on August 2, 2016, on October 1, 2016, and on December 1, 2016. In the event the Interim Board of Trustees fails to meet the deadline for hiring a new president, an explanation as to the reason for the non-compliance must be provided to the chairmen by January 2, 2017. Pursuant to Section 1(D) of Act 121 of 2015, the South Carolina State University Interim Board of Trustees is solely responsible for the selection, periodic evaluation, and retention or termination of the university's president. During the fiscal year, should the Interim Board of Trustees conduct a search to hire a president, the Interim Board shall submit a progress report on the status of the search to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee within 90 days of the search's start, or August 2, 2016, whichever is later, with subsequent status updates to follow at least every 90 days during the fiscal year if an active search remains in effect.~~

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- 19.If** **ADD** (State Fiscal Accountability Loan Funds) **SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** ADD new proviso to direct that the annual payment to retire the debt owed by the university on the April 30, 2014 B&C Board loan shall be \$355,036 and the installment payment shall be due on or before June 30, 2017. Direct that the requirements of this provision shall be not implemented if the General Assembly adopts a permanent loan repayment schedule.

19.If. (SCSU: State Fiscal Accountability Authority Loan Funds) The annual payment to the State of South Carolina to retire the debt incurred by the university pursuant to the April 30, 2014 loan from the Budget and Control Board, succeeded in interest by the State Fiscal Accountability Authority, shall be \$355,036. The installment payment required pursuant to this proviso shall be due on or before June 30, 2017. The provisions contained in this proviso shall not be implemented if a permanent loan repayment schedule is adopted by the General Assembly, whether before, or after the effective date of this act.

SECTION 20 - H450 - UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

- 20.2** **DELETE** (School Improvement Council) Stipulates that \$100,000 of the funds appropriated to the USC Columbia Campus be used for the School Improvement Council.
WMC: DELETE proviso.
HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.
SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

~~20.2. (USC: School Improvement Council) Of the funds appropriated to the University of South Carolina Columbia Campus, \$100,000 shall be used for the School Improvement Council.~~

- 20.4** **DELETE** (Palmetto College - Operating) Directs USC to allocate \$373,010 additional, recurring state appropriations to the USC campuses at Lancaster, Salkehatchie, Sumter, and Union to reduce the per-student funding disparity that exists between each of these campuses. Directs USC to determine the appropriate enrollment measure to guide the distribution of these funds and to report the allocation to CHE and the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees.
WMC: AMEND proviso to delete “additional, recurring state appropriations totaling.”
HOU: ADOPT proviso as amended.
SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: DELETE proviso.

~~20.4. (USC: Palmetto College - Operating) The University of South Carolina is directed to allocate additional, recurring state appropriations totaling \$373,010 to the USC campuses at Lancaster, Salkehatchie, Sumter and Union in order to reduce the per-student funding disparity that exists between each of these campuses. The university shall determine the appropriate enrollment measure to guide the distribution of these additional, recurring state appropriations. The allocation of state funds shall be reported to the Commission on Higher Education, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.~~

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SECTION 117 - X900 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

117.72 AMEND (Printed Report Requirements) Directs that for Fiscal Year 2015-16, certain state agencies and higher education institutions shall not be required to submit printed reports and shall only submit the reports electronically. Waive the submission of certain reports.

WMC: AMEND proviso to update the fiscal year references to “2016-17.”

HOU: ADOPT proviso as amended.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT proviso as amended.

117.72. (GP: Printed Report Requirements) (A) For Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17, state supported institutions of higher learning shall not be required to submit printed reports mandated by Sections 2-47-40, 2-47-50, and 59-103-110 of the 1976 Code, and shall instead only submit the documents electronically.

Submission of the plans or reports required by Sections 59-101-350, 59-103-30, 59-103-45(4), and 59-103-160(D) shall be waived for the current fiscal year, except institutions of higher learning must continue to report student pass rates on professional examinations, and data elements otherwise required for the Commission on Higher Education Management Information System. The commission, in consultation with institutions, shall take further action to reduce data reporting burdens as possible.

(B) For Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17, the Department of Agriculture shall not be required to submit printed reports mandated by Section 46-49-10 of the 1976 Code. The department shall provide these reports electronically and shall use any monetary savings for K5-12 agricultural education programs.

(C) For Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17, the Department of Health and Human Services shall not be required to provide printed copies of the Medicaid Annual Report required pursuant to Section 44-6-80 of the 1976 Code and shall instead only submit the documents electronically.

(D) For Fiscal Year ~~2015-16~~ 2016-17, the Department of Transportation shall not be required to submit printed reports or publications mandated by Sections 1-11-58, 2-47-55, and 58-17-1450 of the 1976 Code.

The Department of Transportation may combine their Annual Report and Mass Transit Report into their Annual Accountability Report.

117.97 AMEND FURTHER (USC Greenville Medical School) States the intent of the General Assembly to not appropriate general funds for the new medical school at USC Greenville during FY 2014-15 and limits the amount and type of funds that may be transferred from USC to the new medical school.

WMC: AMEND proviso to update fiscal year reference to 2016-17.

HOU: ADOPT proviso as amended.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND FURTHER to change the fiscal year reference to “the current fiscal year.”

117.97. (GP: USC Greenville Medical School) It is the intent of the General Assembly that during ~~Fiscal Year 2014-15~~ ~~2016-17~~ the current fiscal year, no general funds shall be appropriated for the new medical school at the University of South Carolina in Greenville. In addition, no state funds may be transferred from state earmarked or restricted funds held by the University of South Carolina to the medical school except for grants, contributions, contractual payments, and tuition and required fees for students attending the new medical school at the University of South Carolina in Greenville that are specifically designated for the medical school at the University of South Carolina in Greenville.

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117.120 DELETE (Comprehensive Workforce Development Coordination Initiative) Directs the State Board for Tec and Comp Ed and the Departments of Commerce, Education, and Employment and Workforce to survey the state's workforce development needs to develop a comprehensive initiative where technical colleges, school districts and career centers work together to produce a qualified workforce and directs the survey be completed by September 15, 2015. Directs the entities develop a statewide Pathways program in alignment with the EEDA to facilitate the transition from education to employment in industries with critical workforce shortages. Directs that results be submitted to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance, House Ways and Means, Senate Labor Commerce and Industry, House Labor Commerce and Industry, Senate Education, and House Education and Public Works Committees by February 1, 2016 and include an analysis of program accountability measures and key performance indicators.

WMC: DELETE proviso.

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

117.120. (GP: Comprehensive Workforce Development Coordination Initiative) ~~In the current fiscal year, the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Education, and the Department of Employment and Workforce, shall survey the workforce development needs of the State to develop a comprehensive workforce development coordination initiative where the technical colleges, school districts, and career centers shall work together to increase pathways to coursework, equipment, and facilities as well as utilizing the EEDA, Dual Credit courses, Adult Education programs and Career and Technology courses and programs, to include the enhancing of existing, or creation of new, subsidized training programs in all regions of South Carolina that will confer the necessary skills and training to prepare students for careers in high demand fields and critical need positions in businesses and industries experiencing difficulty recruiting and retaining qualified applicants. The survey must include, but is not necessarily limited to, a review and analysis of available labor market information from the Department of Employment and Workforce. This report must be completed no later than September 15, 2015. The State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Education, and the Department of Employment and Workforce are directed to use the report in order to develop a statewide Pathways program in alignment with the Education and Economic Development Act to facilitate a seamless transition from education to employment in industries with critical workforce shortages. This plan shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Labor Commerce and Industry Committee, the Chairman of the House Labor Commerce and Industry Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, and the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee no later than February 1, 2016 and must include, at minimum, an analysis of program accountability measures and key performance indicators.~~

117.122 DELETE (Energy Efficiency Repair and Related Maintenance) Directs that funds appropriated and carried forward for the Higher Education Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Accountability Review by proviso 118.16 of the 2014-15 appropriation act be redirected to specific institutions for energy efficiency repair and related maintenance. Prohibits these funds from being used for new construction and requires they be matched by the institution. Requires institutions certify to CHE that they have met the match requirement and include the source of funds used for the match before they use the funds. Directs CHE provide a report on the use of this proviso.

WMC: DELETE proviso.

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

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~~117.122. (GP: Energy Efficiency Repair and Related Maintenance) The following funds appropriated by proviso 118.16 of Act 286 of 2014 for the Higher Education Efficiency, Effectiveness and Accountability Review and carried forward to be used for the same purpose shall be redirected for the purpose of energy efficiency repair and energy related maintenance as specified herein:~~

- ~~(1) H090 The Citadel \$ 81,290;~~
- ~~(2) H120 Clemson University \$ 596,066;~~
- ~~(3) H150 University of Charleston \$ 176,755;~~
- ~~(4) H170 Coastal Carolina University \$ 81,842;~~
- ~~(5) H180 Francis Marion University \$ 107,372;~~
- ~~(6) H210 Lander University \$ 55,958;~~
- ~~(7) H270 University of South Carolina Columbia Campus \$ 971,902;~~
- ~~(8) H290 University of South Carolina Aiken Campus \$ 58,922;~~
- ~~(9) H340 University of South Carolina Upstate Campus \$ 82,157;~~
- ~~(10) H360 University of South Carolina Beaufort Campus \$ 23,779;~~
- ~~(11) H470 Winthrop University \$ 81,917; and~~
- ~~(12) H510 Medical University of South Carolina \$ 352,825.~~

~~Each institution shall use the amount identified above only for energy efficiency repair and energy related maintenance that is necessary for the safe and efficient operation of the institution's physical plant. In the event any portion of the funds specified above have been transferred for the Higher Education Efficiency, Effectiveness and Accountability Review, institutions shall utilize remaining funds, if any, for the purposes described in this provision.~~

~~Funds must not be used for new construction and may only be utilized by an institution to the extent the funds are matched by the institution for necessary energy efficiency repair and energy related maintenance projects generally.~~

~~Matching funds exclude supplemental, capital reserve, lottery, or non-recurring state funds appropriated to an institution either in the current fiscal year or from a prior fiscal year for repair and maintenance or deferred maintenance projects.~~

~~Prior to the utilization of these funds, institutions must certify to the Commission on Higher Education, in a manner it prescribes, the extent to which they have met this requirement, including the sources of funds utilized to meet this requirement.~~

~~Not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year, the Commission on Higher Education shall report to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee regarding the utilization of this provision.~~

117.124 DELETE (Capital Bond Study Committee) Establishes a Capital Bond Study Committee from funds appropriated to the Senate, House of Representatives and the Governor’s Office. Directs the committee to study capital needs of higher education institutions, including the technical college system. Directs that findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation be submitted to JBRC by December 31, 2015, after which the committee will be dissolved.

WMC: DELETE proviso.

HOU: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

SFC SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT deletion of proviso.

~~117.124. (GP: Capital Bond Study Committee) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, (A) from the funds appropriated to the Senate, the House of Representatives and the Governor's Office, there is established a Capital Bond Study Committee. The committee shall be composed of:~~

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~~(1) three members of the Senate, one member appointed by the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, one member appointed by the Majority Leader and one member appointed by the Minority Leader;~~

~~(2) three members of the House of Representatives, one member appointed by the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, one member appointed by the Majority Leader and one member appointed by the Minority Leader; and~~

~~(3) three members appointed by the Governor.~~

~~All appointments shall be made not later than July 15, 2015. The committee must be staffed by the staff of the Senate, the House of Representatives and the Governor's Office. Members of the committee shall receive mileage, subsistence and per diem at the rate provided by law. The committee may elect a chairperson and other appropriate officers from its membership. The committee shall begin meeting as soon as possible to accomplish the goals set forth in this paragraph.~~

~~(B) The committee shall study the capital needs of the state's higher education institutions, including the technical college system. The study shall include, but is not limited to:~~

~~(1) capital improvement plans of higher education institutions;~~

~~(2) long term capital bond needs;~~

~~(3) bond capacity and debt service;~~

~~(4) other related subjects that may serve to inform the General Assembly and the Governor as determined by the committee; and~~

~~(5) the merits, necessity and projected costs of each of the capital improvement plans and projects it studies and prepare recommendations addressing the priority of the projects for future funding.~~

~~(C) The committee may solicit information from any person or entity it deems relevant to its study. The committee must make a report of its findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation, to the Joint Bond Review Committee by December 31, 2015, at which time the study committee shall be dissolved.~~