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Senate Bill 958 (S-1, Draft 3 as reported)
Committee: Appropriations

Throughout this document Senate means Subcommittee.

FY 2011-12 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation	\$834,490,400
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Changes from FY 2011-12 Year-to-Date:

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| 1. Home Heating Assistance for the Vulnerable (HHA). The Governor and Senate included this new program to provide home heating assistance for vulnerable populations. This program would be funded through the rate structure of both State-regulated and non-regulated utilities. In contrast to the former Low-Income Energy Efficiency Fund (LIEEF), no grants for energy efficiency would be provided. | 60,000,000 |
| 2. Eliminate LIEEF and Vulnerable Household Warmth Assistance (VHWA). The LIEEF was repealed in 2011, and the VHWA was created as a temporary program in its stead. The Governor and Senate replaced both with the HHA. | (118,000,000) |
| 3. Centers for Independent Living. The Governor and Senate used a fund shift to provide \$1.5 million in GF/GP to replace lost Federal funding of a like amount. | 0 |
| 4. Additional Health Systems Inspections. The Governor and Senate included an additional \$740,000 Federal and \$840,000 State restricted funds for the Bureau of Health Systems for the inspection of regulated facilities. | 1,580,000 |
| 5. FTE Authorization. The Senate removed 54.0 vacant FTEs several line items. | 0 |
| 6. Adult Foster Care Home Background Checks. The Governor and Senate replaced a \$1.0 million IDG from the Department of Human Services and \$28,100 in Liquor Purchase Revolving Fund with GF/GP for the subsidy of background checks of AFC employees. | 0 |
| 7. Fireworks Sales Regulation. The Governor and Senate included 6.0 FTEs and funding from the Fireworks Safety Fund for regulation of fireworks sales under 2011 PA 256. | 600,000 |
| 8. Bureau of Fire Services Fees. The Governor raised inspection and plan review fees for hospitals and schools. The fees are expected to raise approximately \$585,000, and no additional appropriation authority was included. The Senate did not include this item. | 0 |
| 9. Worker's Compensation Agency IT Upgrade. The Senate added a \$100 placeholder for upgrades to the Worker's Compensation Agency IT systems. | 100 |
| 10. FY 2012 Contingency Plan. The Governor and Senate included the elimination of 1.0 FTE and associated funding in the Worker's Compensation Agency. | (71,100) |
| 11. State Employee Lump-Sum Payments. The Governor and Senate included a one-time lump-sum payment for State employees. | 5,036,800 |
| 12. Technical Adjustments. The Governor and Senate included three technical adjustments: the reduction of an IDG from DEQ to the Michigan Administrative Hearing System to reflect actual charges, an increase of \$300,000 from the Real Estate Enforcement Fund to the Attorney General (AG) to support LARA's usage of AG services, and the elimination of a \$100 placeholder for Liquor Control Commission IT upgrades. | 219,700 |
| 13. Economic Adjustments. Includes \$61,178,800 for OPEB and a negative \$12,521,000 for other economic adjustments. | 48,657,800 |
| 14. Comparison to Governor's Recommendation. The Senate is \$1000 Gross and \$0 GF/GP over the Governor. | |

Total Changes.....	(\$1,976,700)
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FY 2012-13 Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Gross Appropriation	\$832,513,700
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Changes from FY 2011-12 Year to Date:

1. **Purchasing Requirements.** The Governor and Senate removed a prohibition on buying foreign goods and preference for Michigan companies, as well as a section favoring deprived and depressed communities. (Secs. 209 and 210)
2. **IT Work Projects and User Fees.** The Governor removed work project language for IT projects, and the requirement that departments pay user fees to DTMB for IT services. The Senate retained these sections, but removed a subsection regarding Liquor Control Commission IT upgrades. (Secs. 211 and 214)
3. **Communication with the Legislature.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a prohibition against punishing employees who communicate with the Legislature. (Sec. 215)
4. **Out-of-State Travel Limits.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a section limiting out-of-state travel. (Sec. 217)
5. **TV Show Prohibition.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a section prohibiting LARA from producing TV shows. (Sec. 232)
6. **Fire Protection Grants.** The Governor removed two sections requiring reports from municipalities receiving Fire Protection Grants. (Sec. 301 and 301a) The Senate restored one of these reports. (Sec. 301)
7. **Fire Safety Fees.** The Governor increased the per bed fee for hospitals from \$8 per bed to \$10.50 per bed, and the plan review and construction inspection fee schedule by about 25%, on average. The Senate retained the current fee structures. (Sec. 302)
8. **Fire Safety Standard and Firefighter Protection Act Appropriation.** The Governor and Senate removed a section which appropriated revenue credited to the funds associated with this Act as they are received. (Sec. 302a)
9. **UIA IT Project Report.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a reporting requirement for the UIA IT system upgrades. (Sec. 332)
10. **MARVIN Report.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a report on the number of UI benefit recipients using MARVIN. (Sec. 333)
11. **MIOSHA Report.** The Governor and Senate removed a report on the number of people injured or killed at work. (Sec. 340)
12. **Rule Stringency.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a prohibition on rules more stringent than Federal standards. (Sec. 341)
13. **CET Grants Earmark.** The Governor removed and Senate retained an \$80,000 CET grant earmark for the aggregate industry. (Sec. 342)
14. **Commercial Services and Construction Codes Report.** The Governor and Senate removed a report on the regulatory and licensing activities of these two Bureaus. (Sec. 368)
15. **Nursing Facilities Reports.** The Governor removed and Senate retained two reports on the activities of and complaints filed against nursing facilities. (Secs. 708 and 714)
16. **Tax Tribunal Report.** The Governor removed and Senate retained a report on the activities of the Tax Tribunal. (Sec. 390)
17. **Investigation Priority.** The Governor and Senate removed a section requiring priority be given to investigations of complaints against health professionals for alleged events that occurred within two years of the initial complaint. (Sec. 716)
18. **Medical Marihuana Reports.** The Governor removed reports on the Medical Marihuana Program. (Sec. 726[1] and [3]) The Senate retained the whole report. (Sec. 726)
19. **Medical Marihuana Contractor.** The Governor and Senate removed a requirement that the Medical Marihuana Program be transferred to a private contractor. (Sec. 727)

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