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| <b>FY 1999-2000 Senate-Passed Gross Appropriations .....</b> | <b>\$3,518,219,500</b> |
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**House Changes to Senate-Passed:**

Items Included by the Senate and House

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| 1. <b>Non-Title IV-D Services.</b> The House added a line item for anticipated loss of IV-D (child support enforcement) funds to Friend of the Court offices due to the expiration of a federal waiver.   | 100        |
| 2. <b>Foster Care.</b> The House added funds for a projected expenditure shortage in payments. Also included is a proposed rate adjustment with associated language that indicates a 1% increase.   | 2,000      |
| 3. <b>Adoption Subsidies.</b> The House added funds for a rate adjustment that corresponds to the foster care increase.   | 1,000      |
| 4. <b>Staffing Changes.</b> The House adds 20 full time equated positions for family independence specialist (FIS) to improve child day care payments processing and provide training opportunity for FIS workers.  | 975,000    |
| 5. <b>Case Load Adjustments.</b> The House increased the case load estimate by 500 (1,500 people) in anticipation of services to Kosovar refugees expected to reside in the State. Also, the House includes a cost per case estimate for FY 2000 of \$360 which is \$4 more than the Senate estimate. | 17,728,600 |
| 6. <b>Indigent Burial Services.</b> The House increased reimbursements for funeral directors by \$25 and cemetaries by \$5, but did not change the rate for burial vault services.  | 210,000    |
| 7. <b>Multicultural Contracts.</b> The House added funds for assimilation and support services contracts.   | 100,000    |
| 8. <b>Child Day Care.</b> The House added Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) fund spending to increase the payment rate for child day care providers of children who are birth to 2.5 years old.  | 33,000,000 |
| 9. <b>FY 1998-99 Supplemental.</b> The House added funds in a Part 1A for a projected foster care payments funding shortage. The intent of the House is to use the additional \$1,000 Gross as a "place holder" for Conference Committee discussion, as done in other items of difference above.      |            |

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| Total Changes ..... | 52,016,700 |
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| <b>FY 1999-2000 Conference Report Gross Appropriation .....</b> | <b>\$3,570,236,200</b> |
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**Amount Over/(Under) GF/GP Target:**

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**Changes from FY 1998-99 Senate-Passed:**

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Items Included by the Senate and House

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Conference Agreement on Items of Difference

1. **Child Support Penalties.** The House added language to exempt the local Friend of the Court offices from possible federal penalties for non-compliance with Title IV-D technology regulations. (Sec. 401)
2. **Created for Caring.** The House does not include Senate language that provides \$100,000 to Created for Caring for employment skills and support services contract. Section 653 in the House substitute allows up to \$100,000 for a contract with Saginaw Service Career Paths. (Sec. 407)
3. **Technical Vocational Training.** The House substitute includes requiring the department to work in conjunction with the Department of Career Development to implement enhanced technology training (Sec. 408), study the effect of the training (Sec. 409) and ensure department workers are knowledgeable about these services (Sec. 628), assess barriers to work (Sec. 411), study and report on successes for work first participants (Sec. 626), report on the noncustodial parents program (Sec. 643), use of \$275,000 for a contract with Goodwill Industries and other organizations to initiate a career track employment approach for assistance recipients (Sec. 644), establish eligibility guidelines for post-employment training and education toward work requirements (Sec. 646), determine and report on employment with medical and other benefits obtained by assistance recipients (Sec. 652), and provide employment services to former cash assistance and non-cash assistance recipients (Sec. 657).
4. **Air Conditioning.** The House did not include Senate language prohibiting the purchase, maintenance or repair of air conditioning equipment unless certain circumstances exist. (Sec. 620)
5. **Sex Offenders.** The House did not include Senate language prohibiting funds to recipients if a convicted sex offender is residing in the recipient's household. (Sec. 623)
6. **Individual Development Accounts (IDA).** The House added language for using funds to develop cash assistance recipients IDAs which may be used for home purchase and education (Sec. 629), establishing a plan for IDA development (Sec. 630) and in conjunction with Michigan State University conduct a study of credit union IDAs (Sec. 631).
7. **Homeless Services.** The House added language to report on the Salvation Army contract (Sec. 634), to maintain an outreach program of linkage between the department, homeless persons and the work first program and provide one contact staff person at each local office for service coordination (Sec. 635), and to use unspent homeless bed funds for a one-time grant to providers for local homeless service needs (Sec. 637).
8. **Child Day Care Services.** The House added language to provide funds for resource and referral services and technical assistance to day care centers (Sec. 638), an evaluation and report on expenditures (Sec. 645), a rate increase for providers (Sec. 650), to determine if potential providers are on the child abuse central registry (Sec. 654), and require the department to pay interest on late reimbursement payments (Sec. 655).
9. **Immigration Services.** The House added language that was vetoed from the current year act for a citizenship assistance program (Sec. 642) and to require maximizing U.S. citizens' food stamp receipt through calculating food stamp allotment for citizens living in households of legal immigrants (Sec. 649).

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