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Senate Bill 283 (S-1 as reported)  
Committee: Appropriations

<b>FY 2002-03 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$4,037,164,400</b>
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**Changes from FY 2002-03 Year-to-Date:**

1. **General Budget Issues.** The Governor reflects: reductions associated with the FY 2002-03 hiring freeze, Early Retirement, and two Executive Orders, unearned revenue and occupancy adjustments; and increased funds for retirement payouts, terminal annual leave, sick leave, health benefits and other related costs. The Subcommittee concurs with the recommendation. (74,979,200)
2. **Child Care Fund.** The Governor recommends increases for caseload and a change to reimburse counties 75%, currently at 50%, for in-home services. A new line, Enhanced Child Care Fund Reimbursement for Community Programs, is created by fund transfers from related programs. The Subcommittee rejects the transfers, except the child care fund and prevention services, and reduces half of the rate increase funds to use innovation grants. 4,950,800
3. **Youth Services.** The Governor projects 1,046 fewer foster care cases and a \$5,155 reduction in the Wayne county cost per case, 2,200 more adoption cases and an increase for medical subsidy payments, and a policy change assumes a \$3.6 million reduction related to a lowered subsidy eligible age. Regional detention services and juvenile boot camp use is reduced. The Subcommittee concurs except recommends \$6 million GF/GP for in-home services. (6,984,600)
4. **Federal Grants.** The Governor recognizes increases in the Low-income energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Federal grants. 36,640,800
5. **Cash Assistance.** The Governor reduces the Family Independence Program caseload to 69,500, a reduction of 10,200 cases and maintains the clothing allowance at \$25 per school age child. Projections include a 8,400 State Disability Assistance caseload, an increase of 500 cases, a 214,300 SSI caseload, an increase of 2,300 cases, a 66,300 day care caseload, a reduction of 1,900 cases. Indigent burial services are reduced by 15%. The Homestead Property Tax and Transition Work Support lines are eliminated. The Subcommittee concurs with the caseload projections and other adjustments, and funds a \$50 school clothing allowance. (45,617,800)
6. **Child Support Enforcement.** The Governor recommends funds for a Legal Support Contracts cost of living increase and for the distribution computer system operations costs. 13,116,600
7. **Technology.** The Governor recommends a \$12.7 million increase for food stamp distribution improvements and reductions reflecting certification and completion of the Child Support Enforcement System. (15,702,200)
8. **Employment Services.** The Governor's proposal maintains 64 Community Resource Coordinators from Project Zero and Volunteer Services Coordinator positions. The Subcommittee reverses the Governor's transfer of the Fatherhood and Marriage initiatives. (1,897,500)
9. **Comparison to Governor's Recommendation.** The Senate Substitute is at the Governor's recommended funding level.

<b>Total Changes .....</b>	<b>(\$91,473,100)</b>
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<b>FY 2003-04 Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Gross Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$3,945,691,300</b>
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**Changes from FY 2002-03 Year to Date:**

1. **Faith-based Organization Contracts.** Restrictions on contracts with religious organizations. The Governor eliminates this section. The Subcommittee does not concur with the Governor and adds assurances for contract participation. (Sec. 220)
2. **Operation Efficiencies.** The Governor recommends funds to encourage efficiencies. The Subcommittee does not concur with the language. (Sec. 222)
3. **Office Reorganization.** Legislative approval of local office restructuring. The Governor does not include the language. The Subcommittee does not concur with the Governor. (Sec. 261)
4. **Uniform Reporting.** The Subcommittee recommends a uniform standard be followed in all reports department preparation. (Sec. 270)
5. **Audit Reviews.** The Subcommittee recommends reports on the Federal child and family services and the Title IV-E eligibility audit reviews. (Sec. 271 and Sec. 272)
6. **Policies and Grants.** The Subcommittee requires reports on department policy changes and department applications on Federal grants. (Sec. 273 and Sec. 274).
7. **Billboards.** The Subcommittee prohibits funding for billboard advertising. (Sec. 275)
8. **Fatherhood and Marriage Initiatives.** The Subcommittee provides \$500,000 for Fatherhood and \$750,000 for Marriage Initiatives. (Sec. 415 and Sec. 416)
9. **Foster Care Rate.** The Governor proposes a \$453,000 reduction in private child placing and treatment facilities administrative rates. The Subcommittee does not concur with the Governor. (Sec. 521)
10. **Service Analysis.** Private nonprofit foster care placements required if the department caseload/worker ratio is greater than 20:1. The Subcommittee requires a third party to analyze the public and private service costs and a department report on the results. (Sec. 537)
11. **Burial Rates.** The Governor recommends a 15% reduction in the reimbursement rate. The Subcommittee concurs with the proposal. (Sec. 613)
12. **Child Care.** The Subcommittee continues Before- and After-School projects, including program funds extended through summer school. (Sec. 657)
13. **Boys and Girls Clubs.** The Subcommittee provides \$250,000 for statewide projects, a 10% match by the contractors and a project report. (Sec. 668)
14. **Maxey Report.** The Subcommittee requires a facility Federal investigation report. (Sec. 705)

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