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FY 2007-08 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation	\$99,904,800
Changes from FY 2007-08 Year-to-Date:	
Items Included by the Senate and House	
 State Testing Item Bank System. The Governor added Federal funding and personnel related to the establishment of a state testing item bank system including: test creation (\$644,700 and 6.0 FTE); psychometric analysis (\$582,800 and 6.0 FTE); and system administration (\$200,000 and 1.0 FTE). 	1,427,500
Other Program Oversight Positions. The Governor added Federal funding and 1.0 FTE position for oversight of the English Language Proficiency Assessment program.	117,200
3. Michigan School for the Deaf and Blind (MSDB). Governor added 4.0 special education teachers (\$320,000) and 2.0 interpreters (\$160,000) for the MSDB. Partially offsetting this increase is a reduction in funding due to the elimination of the Summer Institute (\$90,000).	390,000
 Best Practices Study. The Governor added Federal funding to conduct a best practices study for assessing students with disabilities. 	300,000
 Data Systems. The Governor eliminated Federal funding for the Data Articulation System (\$3,950,000) and the Longitudinal Data System (\$455,000). 	(4,405,000)
One-time Adjustments. Adjustments to account for one-time FY2007-08 supplementals and transfers.	(3,422,400)
7. Economic Adjustments. The Governor funded standard economics adjustments.	127,800
8. Other Changes. The Governor recommended other adjustments including: administrative reductions in Educational Assessment and Accountability (\$292,100); transfer of the Human Resources function to the Civil Service Commission (\$603,500 and 5.0 FTE); additional funding related to the consolidation of the internal auditor function (\$100,000); administrative reductions for the Department of Information Technology (DIT) (\$10,300); and DIT economics (\$9,200).	(796,700)
Conference Agreement on Items of Difference	
 School Improvement Grant Administration. The Governor revised her recommendation in June to add Federal funds and 5.0 FTE positions for administration of a new Federal grant. The Conference concurred with the revised recommendation. 	923,000
10. Program Oversight Positions. The Governor added funding and personnel for oversight of various State programs to address Auditor General citations. The Conference adjusted the amounts: Special Education program (\$89,000 GF and 1.0 FTE); Michigan School Readiness Program (\$89,000 General Fund and 1.0 FTE); High Priority Schools program (\$267,000 GF and 3.0 FTE); and At-risk program (\$89,000 General Fund and 1.0 FTE).	534,000
 Teacher Tenure Position. The Conference added General Fund funding and 0.5 FTE position for a teacher tenure position. 	48,300
12. Savings. Conference made adjustments to reflect health maintenance organization savings.	(5,400)
Total Changes	(\$4,761,700)
FY 2008-09 Enacted Gross Appropriation	\$95,143,100

Changes from FY 2007-08 Year to Date:

Items Included by the Senate and House

- 1. **Prompt Payment of Auditor General Bills.** The Governor and Conference removed language requiring the Department to pay bills submitted by the Auditor General in full within 60 days of receipt. (Sec 217)
- 2. **Requested Data.** The Governor removed and Conference restored language requiring the Department to provide information requested by the Legislature in a timely manner. (Sec 220)
- 3. **Alternative Teaching Programs.** The Governor and Conference added language directing the Department to work with Central Michigan University and Wayne State University to determine funding strategies for alternative teaching programs. (Sec 503(2))

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- 4. **Out-of-State Travel Restrictions.** The Conference added language prohibiting more than one departmental employee from attending out-of-state conferences or seminars unless the travel was paid through Federal or private funds which require attendance by more than one individual. (Sec. 215)
- 5. **Cyberschools.** The Conference added language requiring the Department to report on barriers to the operation of cyberschools focusing on special student populations such as dropouts or expelled students. (Sec. 604)

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