

FY 2011-12 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS
Summary: As Passed by the Senate
Senate Bill 364 (S-2)



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	Executive		Senate		House	
Budget Area	Gross	GF/GP	Gross	Gross	Gross	GF/GP
Human Services	--	--	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000		
Licensing and Regulatory	--	--	23,000,000	23,000,000		
TOTAL	--	--	\$58,000,000	\$58,000,000		

OVERVIEW

Senate Bill 364 would appropriate \$58.0 million from the new Vulnerable Household Warmth Fund proposed in Senate Bill 864. The restricted fee revenue would be allocated to supplement the federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) within the Department of Human Services (DHS) and would allocate \$23.0 million to community agencies to also provide heating/energy assistance.

These new funds would be used to replace the Low Income Home Energy Efficiency Fund (LIEEF). The Michigan Court of Appeals has questioned the Public Services Commission's authority to approve the collection of those funds, so LIEEF collections are currently in escrow.

FY 2011-12 Appropriation Items:

HUMAN SERVICES

1. State Emergency Relief Energy Services

Appropriates \$35.0 million, on a 1-time basis, in new restricted Vulnerable Household Warmth Funds for state emergency relief energy services. These funds would increase the amount of funding that is available in DHS for crisis energy assistance. The Vulnerable Household Warmth Fund would be created through Senate Bill 864.

	<u>Executive</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>House</u>
Gross	--	\$35,000,000	
Restricted	--	35,000,000	
GF/GP	--	\$0	

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

2. Vulnerable Household Warmth Assistance

Allocates \$23.0 million, on a 1-time basis, for grants awarded by the Public Service Commission in docket no. U-13129 (e.g. Salvation Army, THAW, TrueNorth, MCAA, etc.). States that grants shall not be made to DHS. These community agencies would use these funds to provide direct assistance with energy bills and shut-off prevention for low-income households.

Gross	--	\$23,000,000
Restricted	--	\$23,000,000
GF/GP	--	\$0

FY 2011-12 Boilerplate Items:

HUMAN SERVICES

1. State Emergency Relief Energy Services

Allocates \$35.0 million, on a 1-time basis, for state emergency relief energy services.

<u>Executive</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>House</u>
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