



JOINT BUDGET CONFERENCE MEETING

Committee on Governmental Reorganization

House Offer #2

Meeting Packet

Thursday, April 28, 2011, 8:30 pm

212 Knott Building

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1. Create Department of Economic Opportunity

- Agency head appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate
- Transfer OTTED, portions of DCA, and AWI/Workforce functions to new agency, effective October 1, 2011
- Transfer Office of Early Learning to DOE as a separate, independent entity, effective July 1, 2011
 - Director of the Office appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate
 - DOE may not impose requirements or standards on Early Learning programs beyond what is authorized currently in law for VPK
 - Auditor General review of programs and delivery systems (including Early Learning Coalitions)

2. Consolidate public-private partnerships

- EFI President is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor
- Space FL retains special district status under the EFI board
- Visit FL direct support organization is retained under contract with the EFI board
- BBIB and Sports Foundation are merged into EFI
- EFI board remains as is under current law
- Matching requirements for EFI and Visit FL remain as required under current law

3. Replace Senate growth management language with HB 7129 (as passed by the House)

4. Create the SEED Trust Fund

- Effective July 1, 2012, redirect rental car surcharge TF revenues; \$100 million from STTF; and \$100 million from Housing Trust Funds

5. Budget Issues:

- Fund Deepwater Horizon economic development at \$10 million annually for the next three fiscal years (portions of HB 1309/SB 248)
- Fund Research & Development at \$7.1 million recurring
- Do not appropriate FHFC cash