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FY 1998-99 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation	79,562,200
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Changes from FY 1998-99 Year-to-Date:

Items Included by the Senate and House

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| 1. USApple Anti-dumping Effort. The Senate and House funded a State donation to a national effort to file an antidumping petition against suppliers of below cost apple juice concentrate | 20,000 |
| 2. Local Public Health Operations. The Governor, Senate, and House included funding from the Department of Community Health for local health department food sanitation efforts. | 7,888,300 |
| 3. State Fair and Upper Peninsula State Fair. A \$125,900 net increase in Fair revenue for the State Fair, and a \$59,000 increase for the UP Fair were provided by the Senate and House. | 184,900 |
| 4. The 4 H Foundation of Michigan. New funding was provided by the Senate and House. | 285,000 |
| 5. Other Changes. Other adjustments in Federal and restricted funds to reflect availability of those funds were included by the Senate and House. | (520,900) |

Conference Agreement on Items of Difference

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| 6. Project GREEN. The Governor and Senate proposed a 50% increase. The House and Conference Report provide \$200,000 and \$100,000 more than the Governor and Senate respectively. | 2,100,000 |
| 7. Environmental Technology Research Grant. The Governor eliminated, the House maintained current year, and the Senate and Conferees increased funding for the Michigan Biotechnology Institute to \$2,000,000 and \$1,500,000 respectively. | 100,000 |
| 8. On-Farm Fuel Storage. The House and Conferees included funding for a program proposed by the Governor to assist farmers with preventing contamination from fuel storage tanks, including the requisite State matching funds (\$40,000 GF/GP), that had not been included in the Governor's budget. The Senate did not fund this program. | 80,000 |
| 9. Migrant Labor Housing. The Senate, House, and Conferees increased funding for housing grants by \$285,000, \$290,000, and \$250,000 respectively | 250,000 |
| 10. Agriculture Exports. The House and Conferees included funding for State participation in the Federal Market Access Program and for leveraging Federal funds for enhancing and developing export markets for State agriculture products. | 100,000 |
| 11. Agriculture Equine Industry Development Fund (AEIDF). The House and Conferees did not concur with the Senate proposal to replace \$834,800 of AEIDF support for the Office of Racing Commissioner (ORC) with GF/GP. The House and Conferees replaced AEIDF support for building and track improvements at fairs and draft horse shows with GF/GP, reduced racing related appropriations from the AEIDF by 0.7%, and increased funding for the ORC by \$78,200. The House and Conferees did not support the Senate's proposed increase for draft horse shows. | (361,400) |
| 12. Other Changes. The Conference Report included increased funding for Future Farmers of America (\$20,000); the Food Bank (\$49,200); and Food Safety Activities (\$303,100). | 372,300 |
| 13. Economic Adjustments. The House and Conferees adjusted funding provided by the Governor and Senate for economic increases by shifting \$234,300 in food handler licensing fee revenue to general fund support; and reducing Groundwater and Freshwater Protection Fund economics. | 1,689,600 |

Total Changes	12,187,800
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FY 1999-2000 Conference Report Gross Appropriation	\$91,750,000
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Amount Over/(Under) GF/GP Target: \$0

FY 1999-2000 AGRICULTURE BUDGET

BOILERPLATE HIGHLIGHTS

Changes from FY 1998-99 Year-to-Date:

Items Included by the Senate and House

1. **Great Lakes Downs Race Course.** Language expressing Legislative intent that the Department work with the Race Course to facilitate operation of the track included by the Senate and House was retained in the Conference Report. (Sec. 901)
2. **Can-Am Draft Horse Show.** The Governor deleted language which dictates the use of the Can-Am draft horse show appropriation. A modification of the language to allocate the draft horse shows appropriation equally to the Can-Am and Great Lakes International Draft Horse Shows was included by the Senate and House, and retained in the Conference Report. (Sec. 806)

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3. **Livestock Indemnification.** The House and Conference Report modified a provision included by the Senate allowing the indemnification, at fair market value, of livestock killed by wolves, to require the indemnification and to support the cost of such indemnification with funds from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). (Sec.. 210)
4. **Michigan Biotechnology Institute.** The House and Conferees included language requiring a report from the Michigan Biotechnology Institute on projects and fund sources of projects carried out by the Institute. (Sec. 304)
5. **Restaurant Inspection.** The House deleted Senate language requiring the Department to develop a plan for assuming responsibility for restaurant inspections and certification from local health departments. The Conference Report contains modified language requiring the Department to ensure uniform application and enforcement of restaurant licensing standards, and a report on these efforts. (Sec. 401)
6. **Bovine Tuberculosis.** The House and Conferees included language requiring the Department to reimburse the DNR for costs of monitoring and testing wildlife for bovine tuberculosis to the extent that it is agreed by both the Department and the DNR that those costs exceed those of efforts that would be necessary to eradicate bovine tuberculosis from the free ranging deer population. (Sec. 450)
7. **Horse Racing Plan.** The House and Conferees modified Senate language requiring the Racing Commissioner to develop and submit a plan for assuring the long range viability of horse racing in this State, by requiring the plan to include recommendations for any statutory changes required to implement revenue diversification options. (Sec. 902)

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