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Senate Bill 239 (S-1 as reported)
Committee: Appropriations

FY 2000-01 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation	\$2,978,704,600
Changes from FY 2000-01 Year-to-Date:	
1. Distribution of State Revenue to Road Authorities. The budget includes the following increases in State funding to road authorities:	38,916,100
State Trunkline (3.2%)	\$9,455,100
County Road Commissions (3.2%)	\$19,058,200
Cities and Villages (3.2%)	\$10,402,800
2. Federal Aid Increases. The budget includes increases in Federal funding (and required matching funds) to road authorities.	58,984,900
3. Debt Service: Build Michigan II and Build Michigan III. The budget reflects added debt service costs for Build Michigan II and Build Michigan III. Build Michigan II will be satisfied by \$10 million Federal funds while Build Michigan III will be satisfied by \$35 million from the Budget Stabilization Fund and \$7 million from the Transportation Economic Development Fund, category A grants.	45,000,000
4. STF Grant to State Police. The Senate recommends an increase of \$1,400,000 over Governor in the STF grant to State Police for enhanced motor carrier enforcement , overall reduction of \$1,725,000.	(1,725,000)
5. University Road Improvement Program. The Senate includes funding from the STF to assist state universities with road construction and repair projects.	1,000,000
6. Commission Per Diem. The Senate provides for additional meetings.	2,800
7. Local Bus Operating: Unreserved CTF Fund Balance. The Senate includes a contingency appropriation of unreserved CTF fund balance for local bus operating grants.	10,000,000
8. Public Transportation Program. The budget reflects adjustments of \$3,147,100 for local bus operating subsidies and \$731,200 for public transportation development programs.	3,878,300
9. Intercity Passenger Freight Programs. The budget reflects a net reduction for intercity passenger and freight programs. The Senate provides a \$91,500 increase for the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority grant.	(1,371,700)
10. Bridge Renovations. The Senate includes GF/GP for local bridge repairs and replacements.	3,000,000
11. Unclassified Salaries. The budget includes funding to provide a 2% increase.	10,200
12. Economic Adjustments.	7,294,800
13. Other Changes. The budget includes \$102,500 for debt costs, a net increase of \$1,351,100 for grants to other departments (other than State Police), restoration of vetoed funding \$500,000, \$1,000,000 for highway maintenance, \$5,000,000 for Blue Water Bridge capital improvements, and removal of funding for additional turn-outs on forest roads (\$40,000).	7,901,300
14. Comparison to Governor. \$12,928,600 Gross and \$3,000,000 GF/GP over the Governor.	
Total Changes	172,891,700
FY 2001-02 Senate Appropriations Committee Gross Appropriation	\$3,151,596,300

Changes from FY 2000-01 Year-to-Date:

1. **Standard Sections.** The bill includes the following standard sections: State spending (Sec. 201), DMB Act (Sec. 202), Definitions (Sec. 203), Civil Service 1% charge (Sec. 204), Hiring freeze (Sec. 205), Contingency funds (Sec. 206), Internet reports (Sec. 208), Buy American (Sec. 209), Deprived and depressed (Sec. 210), and Report retention. (Sec. 211)
2. **Deleted Sections.** The bill eliminates the following current-year boilerplate sections: Privatization (Sec. 207), Summer youth program (Sec. 333), Pedestrian overpasses (Sec. 336), Grand River Ave (Sec. 337), Regional planning grants (Sec. 404), Roadside weeds (Sec. 503), MTF phase-out language (Sec. 507), Truck inspection stations (Sec. 603), AAA intersection program (Sec. 607), US-131 project (Sec. 615), Railroad funding (Sec. 703), Soo locks project (Sec. 713), DDOT/SMART coordination (Sec. 717), Regional service coordination (Sec. 720), Federal transit funds (Sec. 727), and Comprehensive Transportation Fund unreserved fund balance. (Sec. 729)
3. **Build Michigan III.** Includes language recognizing the \$35 million annually appropriated from the Budget Stabilization Fund to the State Trunkline Fund for Build Michigan III. (Sec. 313)
4. **English Units of Measure.** The Senate requires the Department to expeditiously pursue the adoption of standard English units of measure for construction projects. (Sec. 315)
5. **Commission Meetings.** The Senate removes the cap on the number of meetings that Commission members are allowed to receive per diem payments. (Sec. 317)
6. **Construction Zone Law Enforcement.** The Senate increases funding for this program to \$1,500,000 and includes Sheriffs and other law enforcement agencies. Of the total, not more than \$500,000 shall be provided to the Michigan State Police. (Sec. 324)
7. **Competition With Private Sector.** Prohibits funds from being used to purchase, build, or operate public facilities that compete with the private sector. (Sec. 327)
8. **Critical Bridge Notification.** The Senate adds language requiring the Department to submit a preliminary list of critical bridge projects by December 31, 2001, and a final list no later than February 3, 2002. Current year language requiring local notification is deleted. (Sec. 328)
9. **TEDF Bonds.** The Senate includes language that provides debt service costs on Build Michigan III Transportation Economic Development Fund bonds be paid by category A. (Sec. 329)
10. **Pedestrian Crossings.** The Senate includes language directing the construction of a pedestrian overpass in Jackson (Sec. 604), and also includes language requiring match grants for unsafe crossings. (Sec. 607)
11. **University Roads.** Allocates up to \$1,000,000 to the Institutional Road Program, for university roads. (Sec. 605)
12. **I-675 Interchange.** The Senate adds language that directs the Department to begin the construction process for a ramp at I-675 and Washington Ave. in Saginaw. (Sec. 606)
13. **I-96 Interchange.** The Senate adds language that directs the Department to begin planning and evaluation for an interchange on I-96 at Sternberg Road in Fruitport Township. (Sec. 608)
14. **Rail Passenger Service.** Modified to eliminate report date regarding 5-year history on services, ridership, and revenue; eliminates cost-allocation study and customer complaint system requirements; and limits state subsidy to \$5.7 million and direct operating costs. (Sec. 711)
15. **Thunder Bay River Bridge.** The Senate allocates \$2,000,000 to the Lake State Railroad for rehabilitation for the rail bridge over the Thunder Bay River in Alpena. (Sec. 712)
16. **Local Bus Operating: Unreserved CTF Fund Balance.** The Senate includes language that appropriates up to \$10,000,000 from the local bus operating program from unreserved CTF fund balance. Requires the Department, DMB, and the fiscal agencies to determine if the funding is available prior to expenditure. (Sec. 713)
17. **Demand-Response Transit Services.** Requires the Department, in cooperation with local transit agencies, to ensure that demand-response services are provided throughout Michigan. (Sec. 714)
18. **Safety Officer.** Establishes a safety officer position in the Bureau of Aeronautics to coordinate safety functions between the Department, Natural Resources, and State Police. Also authorizes the Department to expend funds received from the other departments for this position. (Sec. 803)

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