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Senate Bill 271 (S-2 as passed by the Senate)  
Committee: Appropriations

FY 2004-05 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation .....	\$4,260,826,400
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**Changes from FY 2004-05 Year-to-Date:**

1. **Caseloads.** The Governor's recommendation includes the following caseload net increases: 110,810,300  
 Family Independence Program – 1,500 cases; Food Assistance Program – 13,700 cases; State Disability Assistance – 1,400 cases; State Supplementation for SSI – 3,600 cases; and Adoption – 1,400 cases. The recommendation includes the following caseload net reductions: Day Care Services - 200 cases; and Foster Care – 200 cases. The Senate reduces the Governor's caseloads: Adoption - 800 cases; Foster care – 900 cases; SDA – 1,000 cases.
2. **Federal Grants to State.** The Governor includes more funds for: Weatherization - \$2,749,200; (405,100)  
 Nutrition Education - \$900,100; Domestic Violence - \$660,700; Education Vouchers - \$708,700; and Disability Determination - \$291,100. Recognition of less federal funds (\$5,714,900) for the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant is included. The Senate concurs.
3. **Program Transfers.** The Governor's recommendation includes DLEG Investment Grants, 250,000  
 \$250,000, and Agriculture Food Bank, \$630,500, transfers. The Senate does not concur with the Food Bank Program transfer.
4. **TANF Funding Adjustments.** The Governor's reductions include: \$250,000 Marriage and (1,753,500)  
 \$200,000 Fatherhood initiatives; \$250,000 Boys and Girls Club; \$78,500 Pontiac Crisis Intervention; \$75,000 Barry County Domestic Violence; and \$100,000 in IDAs. The Senate's increases include: \$500,000 each for the Marriage and Fatherhood initiatives, \$250,000 for Boys and Girls Club, \$317,500 more for the clothing allowance, and restores Pontiac project and IDAs.
5. **Children and Families.** The Governor's recommended savings include: a day care 30-day wait (42,628,300)  
 for reimbursement, \$21.0 million; foster care strategies \$12,821,600; eliminates post-adoption services, \$641,500; 10% in juvenile facilities' operation, \$7,946,900; Friend of the Court Legal Support contracts, \$5,596,600; and licensing need, \$2.0 million. The Governor includes \$150,000 for electronic tethering increased costs. The Senate restores the post-adoption services and includes: a stop smoking study, a \$1.2 million specialized foster care rate increase, and reduces \$5 million in day care, \$10 million in state delinquency facilities, reduces funds 20% for county juvenile officers, 10% for Child Welfare Institute, 90% for professional training, and 50% for zone office workers.
6. **Information Technology (IT).** The Governor's recommendation includes \$278,300 for human (8,106,500)  
 resource operations hardware/software costs and the following reductions: \$12,320,000 in the Child Support Distribution Computer System appropriation for lower contract costs, but a funds transfer of \$8,500,000 to the IT Services and Projects for caseworker relief effort resulting in a net \$3,820,000 reduction; and \$3,879,400 savings in IT contracts and payments to DIT. The Senate concurs and includes reduction of \$685,400 Gross, GF.
7. **Economic Adjustments.** 56,456,400
8. **Other Changes.** The Governor's reductions include: Indigent Burial 4% rate, (\$246,200); and (997,000)  
 food for the elderly contract (\$50,000). The Senate reduces funds 16% for volunteer services and restores and increases the elderly food contract.
9. **Comparison to Governor's Recommendation.** The Senate is \$54,522,300 Gross,  
 \$30,294,900 GF/GP below the Governor's FY 2005-06 recommendation.

Total Changes.....	\$113,626,300
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FY 2005-06 Senate Gross Appropriation .....	\$4,374,452,700
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**Changes from FY 2004-05 Year to Date:**

1. **Contingency Funds.** The Governor's recommendation provides appropriation of additional funds through transfers approved by the legislature. The Senate does not concur. (Sec. 206)
2. **TANF Reporting.** The Governor's recommendation deletes subsection (2) notifying the legislature on TANF or MOE spending. The Senate includes current year language. (Sec. 218)
3. **Faith-based Organizations.** The Governor's recommendation does not include language establishing the use of state funds for sectarian activity in program services. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 220)
4. **Local Office Consolidation.** The Governor eliminates a county office restructuring plan. The Senate includes restructure and consolidate offices. (Sec. 261)
5. **Employee Rights.** The Governor does not include that the Department ensure employee rights to communicate with legislators and their staff. The Senate includes Senate Leadership language. (Sec. 264)
6. **Audit Reviews.** The Governor's recommendation does not include required reports on child and family services reviews and Title IV-E foster care eligibility reviews. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Secs. 271 and 272)
7. **Policy Changes.** The Governor does not require the department to report on each policy change made to enact legislation. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 273)
8. **Grant Applications.** The Governor's recommendation does not require a report of federal grants for which the State is eligible. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 274)
9. **Day Care Fraud.** The Governor eliminates 2 Inspector General positions for fraud detection. The Senate does not concur. (Sec. 303)
10. **Fatherhood Initiative.** The Governor eliminates TANF funds. The Senate includes \$500,000 for grants. (Sec. 415).
11. **Marriage Initiative.** The Governor eliminates TANF funds. The Senate includes \$500,000 for grants. (Sec. 416)
12. **Staff Training.** The Governor's eliminates accredited agencies staff training to be conducted by agencies. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 421)
13. **Food for Elderly.** The Governor eliminates contracts. The Senate includes 100% increase. (Sec. 423)
14. **Foster Care (FC) Placements.** The Governor does not require private agencies the first opportunity to provide services. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 537)
15. **Specialized FC.** The Senate includes revised language of \$1.2 million for an increased rate to reduce disparity between private and public service provision. (Sec. 545)
16. **Indigent Burial.** The Governor includes rates at a 4% reduction. The Senate concurs. (Sec. 613)
17. **Reading Readiness.** The Governor requires collaboration with Central Michigan University to develop and disseminate Read, Educate, and Develop Youth (R.E.A.D.Y.) Kits to parents of young children. The Senate concurs. (Sec. 641) new
18. **Before- and After-School.** The Governor includes eligibility to families in poverty, allocation requirements, and deletes audit and reporting requirement. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 657)
19. **Child Advocacy Centers.** The Governor deletes report on potential funding. The Senate concurs. (Sec. 752)
20. **Lead and Lead-based Paint Testing.** The Governor does not require lead testing. The Senate does not concur; includes current year language. (Sec. 1003)
21. **At-Risk Youth Task Force.** The Senate requires a committee that includes faith-based groups to research resources for transitioning to adulthood. (Sec. 552)

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