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Senate Bill 1106 (S-1, Draft A as reported)  
Committee: Appropriations

*Throughout this document Senate means Subcommittee.*

<b>FY 2007-08 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$288,195,400</b>
<b>Changes from FY 2007-08 Year-to-Date:</b>	
1. <b>State Park Operations.</b> The Governor recommended a reduction to the appropriation for State park operations to reflect anticipated revenue and expenditures. Park operations are not expected to change with this reduction. The Senate concurred.	(2,500,000)
2. <b>Soil Conservation Districts.</b> The Senate added General Fund dollars to support grants to local conservation districts to provide assistance to private foresters.	1,800,000
3. <b>Payments in Lieu of Taxes.</b> The Senate transferred all types of payments in lieu of taxes to the Department of Treasury budget.	(14,189,100)
4. <b>Federal Wildlife Increase.</b> The Governor included an increase in anticipation of additional Federal funding for endangered species and costal wetlands projects. The Senate concurred.	2,400,000
5. <b>Forest Recreation Increase.</b> The Governor included additional General Fund dollars for forest recreation, including trail grooming and forest campground maintenance. The Senate concurred.	500,000
6. <b>Wildfire Fighting Increase.</b> The Governor added General Fund dollars to the appropriation supporting wildfire fighting. The Senate concurred.	500,000
7. <b>Wildfire Equipment Increase.</b> The budget included additional revenue from the Forest Development Fund for the purchase of equipment to fight forest fires.	400,000
8. <b>Federal Funds Reduction.</b> The budget removed a portion of the Federal funding provided for purchase of conservation easement on the former Kamehameha site to reflect anticipated revenue. The Senate concurred.	(1,000,000)
9. <b>FTE Adjustments.</b> On a Statewide basis, the Governor adjusted the appropriation of full-time equated positions to match the number that could be supported by dollar appropriations and to more accurately reflect program effort. Most departments had a reduction of FTEs, however, the Department of Natural Resources received 100.0 additional FTEs due to the inclusion of seasonal workers and overtime hours. The Senate concurred.	0
10. <b>Human Resources Consolidation.</b> The budget completed consolidation of human resources functions by transferring the funding and 16.0 FTEs to the Department of Management and Budget.	(1,932,200)
11. <b>DIT Reduction.</b> The budget included a 5% reduction to information technology services.	(11,000)
12. <b>Economic Adjustments.</b> The budget included economic adjustments for salaries and wages, retirement, worker's compensations, rent, and utilities.	376,900
13. <b>Other Changes.</b> The budget included other changes, such as Federal funding for wildfire education, private funds for archery training in schools, and the removal of funding for the MI Civilian Conservation Corps.	39,600
14. <b>Comparison to Governor's Recommendation.</b> The Senate is \$12,389,100 Gross and \$10,039,100 GF/GP under the Governor's recommendation.	
<b>Total Changes.....</b>	<b>(\$13,615,800)</b>
<b>FY 2008-09 Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Gross Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$274,579,600</b>

**Changes from FY 2007-08 Year to Date:**

1. **Sections Removed.** The Governor and Senate removed sections regarding restricted revenue shortfalls, the misuse of free day passes, corporate sponsorship, and a Forest Finance Authority grant.
2. **Sections Retained.** The Senate retained sections removed by the Governor about Waterways Commission activities, a prohibition on disciplinary action, fish advisories, indemnification payments, prohibition to impede water control structures, operation of fish hatcheries, defibrillators in State parks, Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park, staff for timber marking, timber marking targets, Bellaire-Jordan River snowmobile trail, snowmobile law enforcement grants, and off-road vehicle trail development grants. (Sections 210, 217, 404, 501, 601, 603, 703, 705, 805, 806, 807, 901, and 1102)
3. **Reports Retained.** The Senate retained reports removed by the Governor regarding restricted fund balances, grant and loan programs, policy changes, an administrative cost plan, land transactions, and construction in State parks. (Sections 207, 208, 218, 220, 405, and 702)
4. **Contingency Funds.** The Governor increased the contingency fund appropriation from private sources from \$100,000 to \$1.0 million. The Senate did not concur with the increase. (Sec. 222)
5. **Workgroup on Long-term Funding.** The Senate included language stating the intent of the Legislature that the recommendations of the workgroup be included in the line items. (Sec. 223)
6. **PILT.** The Senate included language stating the intent of the Legislature to support all types of payments in lieu of taxes in the Department of Treasury budget. (Sec. 224)
7. **Attendance at Training Seminars.** The Senate added a section prohibiting more than one departmental employee from attending a training seminar, unless the travel is paid by private or Federal funds and required for more than one person. (Sec. 225)
8. **Conservation Districts.** The Senate designated \$1.8 million in General Fund dollars as grants to local conservation districts for services to private foresters, through an IDG to the Department of Agriculture. (Sec. 802)

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