

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Policy Issue for Concurrence**  
August 15, 2006

**SUBJECT: Discussion of K-12 Budget Development Process**

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

NA

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

NA

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The 2007-08 budget guidelines adopted by the State Board June 20, 2006, included a general policy for involving education partners and stakeholders in the legislative budget process. The Department of Education has implemented this policy by coordinating with district superintendents and finance officers to identify specific K-12 budget issues. This process was facilitated through the efforts of a budget workgroup comprised of the Florida School Finance Council, representatives of the Florida Association of District School Superintendents, and Department staff. The Florida School Finance Council was formed in 1982 to act in an advisory role to the Commissioner of Education regarding fiscal matters that affect school districts. It is composed of a representative group of school district finance officers from small, medium, and large districts from each of the various regions of the state.

Following the 2006 Legislative Session, the budget workgroup held several workshops during June and July to develop the set of Legislative Budget priorities presented in Attachment 1. The development of these initiatives has included a commitment to a coordinated effort of all education stakeholders in the 2007 Legislative Budget process. A discussion of the K-12 budget priorities, state revenue projections, and capital outlay budget issues will be provided.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** K-12 Legislative Budget Priorities

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