

Summary of Issues for 2007-08 LBR

Workforce Education and Performance Funding (Increases)

Workload - \$40,000,000

- ◆ New workload funding model will be used for system level justification of request.
- ◆ Creation of new initiative for upgrading programs to industry standards

Performance - \$7,000,000

- ◆ Move to a one-year performance calculation (currently using a three-year average)
- ◆ Add new performance funding factors to tie into the Strategic Plan Tier 1 measures

Special Funding Issues

Succeed, Florida (Career Paths) - \$1,489,073

- ◆ Continue support for grant-based projects supporting career academy development in public schools

Skill Assessment and Training (Ready to Work) - \$100,000

- ◆ Increase in staff support at the Department for the initiative

Industry Certification Performance Incentives (Secondary Programs) - \$10,000,000

- ◆ Develop new performance funding incentives for secondary programs that provide students with recognized industry certifications

GED Test Administration - \$1,000,000

- ◆ Provide state support for GED administration, including assistance to GED test sites and purchase of GED exams.

GED Success Grant - \$5,000,000

- ◆ This funding will support success scholarships in the amount of \$500 per student for recipients of GEDs. The scholarship will be distributed to the community college and school district program providers to improve student transitions into certificate and degree programs.

Other Issues

FSAG Expansion - \$12,200,000

- ◆ This funding supports the expansion of the Florida Student Assistance Grant to needy students who are seeking workforce training in career-technical certificate programs at community colleges and technical centers.