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Appropriation Adjustments (DWD -- Child Support)

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CURRENT LAW

Among the Department of Workforce Development's (DWD's) child support appropriations are 20.445(3)(ja)--child support state operations-fees, and 20.445(3)(n)--federal program operations. In addition, DWD has an appropriation called "local agreements" [20.445(1)(gb)]. These appropriations are continuing, "all monies received" appropriations, which means that the Department is authorized to expend any monies credited to these appropriations and the amounts in the Chapter 20 appropriation schedule are estimates of the amounts that will be expended in each year.

GOVERNOR

The bill would rename the 20.445(3)(ja) appropriation "child support state operations-fees and reimbursements" and rename the 20.445(3)(n) appropriation "child support state operations; federal funds." The Chapter 20 schedule under the bill includes the following estimated funding amounts for these three appropriations:

	Fund	2003-04	2004-05
20.445(3)(ja)	PR	$8,399,500	$8,199,500
20.445(3)(n)	FED	20,909,900	23,672,900
20.445(1)(gb)	PR	3,517,100	3,517,100

MODIFICATION

Increase estimated funding 20.445(3)(ja) by $700,500 PR in each year, decrease estimated funding in 20.445(3)(n) by $361,000 FED in 2003-04 and $1,696,300 FED in 2004-05,

and increase estimated funding in 20.445(1)(gb) by $3,200,500 PR in 2003-04 and $3,108,700 PR in 2004-05.

Explanation: The estimated funding amounts included in the bill do not reflect current expenditure estimates for these appropriations. The proposed modifications would make the amounts in the Chapter 20 schedule consistent with estimated expenditures.

Modification	FED	PR	TOTAL
2003-05 FUNDING (Change to Bill)	**-** $2,057,300	$7,710,200	$5,652,700

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