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280+65 (sales tax) +49 (gas tax) = 394 which is the original year 3 funding of our transportation plan. We elevate funding to year 3 levels in the first year.

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I've made all of the changes David suggested. One question from the completed sections is where did we get the \$280 million ## for DOT reimbursement. If you all could add one bullet point that addresses that or edit the existing points, I would like to highlight that number.

Gov. Nikki Haley Announces Executive Budget FY 2016-2017

COLUMBIA, S.C. – Governor Nikki Haley today announced the Executive Budget for FY2016-2017 – a budget that addresses the state's greatest needs in education, public safety, and flood recovery efforts, while keeping the state's fiscal house in order by paying down debt and growing the state's reserves.

[Screenshot and Video]

Topline Budget Highlights:

A Sustaining Commitment to South Carolina Schools

Building on the past two years of success in education reform, Governor Haley announced her 2016 Education Reform Initiative at Frances Mack Intermediate School on January 13, 2016. This agenda includes a combination of legislative, budgetary, and process reforms that focus entirely on providing South Carolina children with the tools and resources necessary for the best education possible.

Education Governance –

- In order to provide South Carolina children with a leadership team [sharing](#) a common vision and goals, such as the team Governor Haley and Superintendent Spearman have formed since 2015, the governor will continue to fight to give every [governor](#) the ability to appoint the Superintendent of Education.

School Facilities –

- The governor has announced a multi-step process to ensure that every student is going to school in a safe and clean learning environment by addressing the needs of many outdated facilities across the state.
 - Governance of this entire process would fall to a five-person committee, chaired by the Governor or her designee, who will serve along with the Superintendent of Education, Director of the Department of Administration, and Chairs of the House and Senate education committees.

- The first step to this plan is a business process during which the committee will evaluate the condition of the facilities districts currently own, prioritize projects based on districts' needs and ability to self-fund, and then set the constraints under which state funding will be allocated and received.
- The FY2016-17 Executive Budget allocates \$2.5 million for the Department of Education, in consultation with the Division of General Services at the Department of Administration, to contract with facilities management specialists to create a comprehensive view of the condition of South Carolina's public schools. This allocation will also be used for the Department to contract to develop a stringent set of building standards that allow districts to build age and size appropriate schools.
- The governor has proposed to set aside 1% of the state's General Obligation debt capacity for exclusive use of K-12 schools. Upon recommendation of a majority of the committee, bonds may be initiated in annual lots no larger than \$200 million. The project list and principal amount will be forwarded to the State Fiscal Accountability Authority for final approval and issuance by the Treasurer.

First Steps –

- The governor has set a new path for First Steps that will preserve all programs currently in existence, but will restructure its governance to ensure adequate resources are available to provide comprehensive oversight.
 - County partnerships will be restructured under the Children's Trust Fund of South Carolina – a non-profit with a proven record as both a fiscal agent and proponent of children's issues.
 - 4-year-old kindergarten will be consolidated under an early childhood division within the Department of Education.
 - The Department of Health and Human Services will be designated as the lead agency for Babynet, but will be required to establish a formal partnership to divide fiscal and programmatic responsibilities with the Department of Education.

Technology –

- Proposes \$40 million for distribution to school districts for technology initiatives.

Teacher Recruitment –

- Proposes \$13.5 million to expand the governor's Rural Teacher Recruiting Initiative, which was launched in 2013, to address persistent recruitment and retention challenges in South Carolina's rural and underserved districts.

Statewide Domestic Violence Reforms

On January 7, 2016, Governor Haley and the S.C. Domestic Violence Task Force announced the implementation of the first set of significant, statewide reforms to address domestic violence in South Carolina, which are supported by the Executive Budget.

Addressing High Prosecutorial Caseloads –

- Proposes \$10.8 million to hire 144 new prosecutors in order to make sure all domestic violence cases are prosecuted by a solicitor and reduce the average caseload per prosecutor by 25%.
- Proposes \$1.17 million for three new circuit court judges and supporting staff.
- Proposes \$6.6 million for the Commission on Indigent Defense to hire 88 new public defenders.

Flood Recovery Efforts

In response to the floods of October, 2015, Governor Haley kept her promise to restore South Carolina's infrastructure to pre-storm conditions through the Executive Budget.

State/local Match –

- Proposes \$75 million for the Adjutant General – Emergency Management Division to cover the state and local share (25%) of public infrastructure damage costs under FEMA's Public Assistance program.
- Proposes \$1.5 million to repair National Guard Armories that were damaged by the storm.

Roads and Bridges –

- Proposes \$49 million for the Department of Transportation to cover the cost of repair projects for roads and bridges that are not eligible for federal reimbursement.

Beach Nourishment –

- Proposes \$40 million for the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism to initiate emergency beach nourishment projects that had significant erosion caused by the storm.

Dams –

- Proposes \$600 thousand to enhance DHEC's Dam Safety Program and provide for additional field inspections and dam reclassification inspections.

Making South Carolina Safer

The Executive Budget reinforces Governor Haley's continued commitment to making South Carolina a safer place to live and work by further investing in law enforcement and public safety.

Sustained Commitments to Law Enforcement and Prosecution –

- Proposes \$8 million for SLED to enhance the capabilities at its forensics laboratory.
- Proposes \$8 million for the Department of Corrections (DOC) to implement a correctional officer hiring and retention plan.
- Proposes \$3.5 million for DOC to implement its mental and medical health remediation plan.
- Proposes \$1.2 million for the Department of Corrections to hire 20 new healthcare workers to staff its crisis intervention unit.
- Proposes \$6.4 million for the Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services (DPPPS) to replace lost funds revenue caused by the successful implementation of sentencing reform.