

1976-77 APPROPRIATIONS

The 1976-77 General Appropriation Bill, as passed by the House of Representatives, contains \$1,119,856 for the Commission on Higher Education (\$496,864 for administration and \$622,992 for service programs). These are the same amounts recommended by the Budget and Control Board.

The Budget and Control Board's recommendations for the colleges and universities totaled \$148,144,441. The House has added:

\$ 40,718	for U.S.C.'s medical school
360,000	for Aiken Regional Campus
420,000	for Coastal Regional Campus
479,400	for Spartanburg Regional Campus
<u>193,000</u>	for Winthrop's dormitory deficit
\$1,493,118	Total Added by House

With the above additions, the House recommendations for the colleges and universities total \$149,637,559.

The 1976-77 General Appropriation Bill, as passed by the House, also provides for a 5% increase for all State employees. Funds to pay 1% of the increase are to be given to each agency. Funds to pay the remaining 4% are to come from the agencies' regular appropriations. However, funds equivalent to 1% are to be appropriated to the Budget and Control Board to assist agencies in meeting their 4% share.

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