

2015 Session Legislative Wrap-Up – Higher Education
(Report prepared as of 7/9/2015. Updated Lottery Allocations, 8/28/2015)

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The 2015 session (1st regular session) of the 121st South Carolina General Assembly adjourned on Thursday, June 4, under the provisions of the *Sine Die* Resolution, [H.4274](#), and returned in special session during June and July. The 2015 session marks the first year of the two-year continuing session. Legislation that was not enacted as of the end of the Session is carried over retaining its position. The General Assembly convenes for the upcoming 2016 Session on January 12, 2016.

The following provides summary information on the FY 2015-16 budget – Appropriations Act ([H.3701](#)), Capital Reserve Fund Bill ([H.3702](#)), and Supplemental Bill ([H.4230](#)) – and on legislation relating to higher education considered or passed during 2015.

Please note that the information in this summary provides highlights for higher education and is not intended to be complete. Bills and other information may be accessed directly at <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislation.php>.

FY 2015-16 APPROPRIATIONS – Higher Education

The General Assembly submitted the FY16 Appropriations Act, Capital Reserve Fund Bill (CRF), and the Supplemental Budget Bill to the Governor on June 23, 2015. On June 29, the Governor issued her veto message on the budget bills, copies available [Here for Appropriations Act](#), [Here for CRF](#), and [Here for Supplemental](#). Vetoes were taken up by the House and Senate on July 6 and 7. Of the 87 total items vetoed in the budget bills, 68 were overridden including 6 vetoes (#'s: 6-8, 20, 24-25) related to higher education. (For details, see bill history at http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess121_2015-2016/bills/3701.htm).

The following report below provides a summary overview of the FY 2015-16 budget for higher education as of the conclusion of the House and Senate consideration of vetoes. Copies of the budget bills as ratified and with vetoes marked are available at http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess121_2015-2016/appropriations2015/gab3701.php.

BUDGET SUMMARY: Overall, the FY16 budget includes for higher education \$988 million in General Funds, non-recurring, Lottery, CRF funds, and Supplemental funds. This total includes CHE (including scholarship and grant programs and funds that flow through to higher education entities), the State Technical College System Office, the 33 public colleges and universities, AHEC, and Tuition Grants. The total will be adjusted slightly upwards as it does not reflect recurring General Funds to be received by state agencies and colleges and universities from the Department of Administration for employee pay/health plan allocations. The FY16 budget does not include a general pay increase for state employees but does include a one-time payment of \$800 for state employees earning less than \$100,000 and allocations for the state health plan such that employees will not face a premium increase.

As illustrated below, total funds for higher education (excluding pay/health plan increases for comparability across years) increased by nearly 6%. The change is attributable primarily to an increase in one-time funds provided to institutions for various projects compared to the prior year. Overall, General Fund support decreased due to the transfer of \$24.5 million for scholarships from the General Fund to the Lottery. Excluding consideration of this transfer, recurring funding for higher education increased \$15 million or 2.5% and lottery funding increased by \$13.6 million or 4.8% compared to the prior year.

Higher Education Funding, ⁽¹⁾ FY 2015-16 compared to prior year

	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	Difference FY 16 - FY 15	% change
⁽²⁾ Recurring Base	\$595,908,266	\$586,387,751	(\$9,520,515)	-1.6%
Nonrecurring Proviso, CRF & Supplemental excl lottery Total	\$51,884,588	\$78,696,615	\$26,812,027	51.7%
⁽³⁾ SC Education Lottery	\$284,741,260	\$322,441,812	\$37,700,552	13.2%
Total	\$932,534,114	\$987,526,178	\$54,992,064	5.9%

⁽¹⁾ Higher Education total includes CHE, funding that flows through CHE to higher education entities and for scholarships and grants, Public Institutions, State Technical College System, AHEC, and Tuition Grants. Funds directed to Clemson PSA, SC State PSA, and MUSC Hospital Authority are not included.

⁽²⁾ The decrease in FY16 Part 1A recurring base funds for all higher education results due to a transfer of \$24.5 million State scholarships from recurring General Funds to the Lottery funds. Recurring funds do not include funds to be allocated for pay/health plan adjustments and as a result the funds will be increased once the allocations are made. For FY15, Part 1A recurring funds are the yearend (beginning base for FY16), and for comparison to FY16 exclude allocations of \$13,610,960 provided through the Budget and Control Board in FY 15 for pay/health plan increases. In FY15, A 2% increase effective July 1, 2014 was provided for state employees in FY15. In FY16, a one-time bonus of \$800 is provided for FTE earning less than \$100,000.

⁽³⁾ SC Education Lottery is beginning year appropriations for FY16 and includes includes certified proceeds, certified unclaimed prize funds, and FY15 surplus funds from priority, pro rata and supplemental bill. Pro-rata are dependent on final collections. FY15 adjusted to include realized FY15 pro rata surplus funds and excess unclaimed prize funds. FY16 adjusted 8/28/2015 to recognize for the pro-rata items that 94.17% of FY15 lottery surplus that became available. FY16 includes a transfer of \$24,526,511 from General Funds to Lottery Funds for LIFE. Lottery also includes \$2.6 million in lottery funds appropriated through Supplemental Bill (H.4230) for CHE Need-based Grants.

Additional details on FY16 appropriations follow. For details of H.3701, H.3702, and H.4231 appropriations by higher education entity, see **Appendix A** and see **Appendix B** for details regarding the SC Education Lottery.

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<p>Colleges & Universities</p> <p>Part 1A Recurring General Funds</p>	<p>Of the available \$440 million in available net new recurring State revenue in the FY16 Appropriations Act, colleges and universities received \$14.7 million (3.3% of total available), including AHEC and the Technical College System. For all higher education including CHE and Tuition Grants, the increased funding is just over \$15 million (3.4% of total available). 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	Amount	Item #	Fund (H.3702)
Francis Marion			
Student Academic System Computer Software			\$1,500,000
Business/Education School Building	\$100,000	13	
Lander			
Repair & Replace Science & Math Equipment (STEM)	\$1	14	
Center for Montessori Education			\$1,000,000
Equestrian Center for Mental Health Treatment - Pass through from SC DMH	\$300,000	23h	
SC State			
Appropriation to Dept of Admin for SC State Vendor Debt	\$4,000,000	20	
Maintenance and Demolition			\$646,817
USC Aiken			
Academic Funding			
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)			\$342,807
USC Beaufort			
Academic Funding			
Hilton Head Gateway Campus Classroom Building	\$1	15	
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)			\$142,154
USC Upstate			
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)			\$476,624
Winthrop			
Academic Success Center	\$1	18b	
Withers Roof			\$2,000,000
Library	\$1	18a	
USC Lancaster			
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)			\$262,406
USC Salkehatchie			
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)			\$69,411
USC Sumter			
USC Sumter Science Building	\$500,000	16	
USC Union			
USC Union Success Building	\$67,000	17	
SC Technical College System - State Board & Colleges			
Manufacturing, STEM & Healthcare Equipment	\$2,000,000	19b	\$20,000,000
Aeronautical Training Center			\$1
Workforce Pathways Instructional Materials			
Pathways to Workplace Infrastructure Development	\$1	19i	
ATC - Advanced Manufacturing & Industrial Equip.	\$1,000,000	19j	
CCTC - Kershaw Campus			\$1,500,000
CCTC - Workforce Center	\$500,000	19g	\$1,300,000
DTC - Building #200 & #300 Renovations			\$1,400,000
FDTC - Academic & Workforce Development Building	\$1,000,000	19f	
GTC - Center for Manuf. & Innovation Building	\$500,000	19e	
GTC Bridge Tech STEM	\$65,000	19d	
HGTC - Advanced Manufacturing Center			\$1,500,000
MTC - QuickJobs-MTC Center for Rapid Employment	\$1,000,000	19k	
NETC - Industrial Training Center Renovations			\$1,500,000
NETC - Workforce Training Equipment	\$300,000	19h	
OCTC - Upgrade Tech Infrastructure & Security Systems			\$1,000,000
PTC - Phase III Center for Advanced Manufacturing			\$1,500,000
SCC - Composite Manufacturing Training Center	\$1,000,000	19l	
TCL - Transitioning Military Training Prgrm - Pass through from Ofc of Adj. General	\$350,000	50e (50.1)	
TCL - New River Campus Road Improvements			\$500,000
TCTC - Engineering & Industrial Tech Program			\$1,500,000
TTC - Workforce Training Equipment			\$1,000,000
WTC - Electrical Technology/MCSC Lab Renovations	\$628,000	19c	
YTC - Loop Road Construction			\$1,400,000
TOTAL Institutions and SBTCE	\$13,710,005		\$59,521,727
AHEC - Proviso 33.30 - Transfer of Funds from DHHS	\$200,000	n/a	
SBTCE ready SC	\$765,881	19	\$4,249,000
CHE - Univ Center of Greenville	\$250,000	10a	
* Out-of-State Veteran Tuition Reimbursement - Colleges (See Provisos 3.8 & 11.42)			1
** CHE Need-based	\$1	10b	
TOTAL	\$14,925,887		\$63,770,728

Note: Clemson PSA and SC State PSA are not included in this report for higher education. Also, not reflected here is \$25 million from CRF for MUSC Hospital Authority Children's Hospital.

Other, Not Reflected: In FY15, \$2,643,785 was allocated across the research and comprehensive institutions excluding SC State for an efficiency review. Proviso 117.131 authorizes the institutions to use the appropriated non-recurring funds for energy efficiency repair and related maintenance projects designed to save money at the universities. The Governor vetoed this item which was subsequently overridden by the General Assembly.

* For other funding, see Proviso 3.8

** CHE Need-based receives General Fund and Lottery fund appropriations with total FY16 funding level with the prior year. The Supplemental Bill (H.4230) includes \$2.6 million in Lottery funds for CHE Need-based that are not reflected here in non-recurring appropriations. See Appendix B for details relating to SC Education Lottery Fund Appropriations.

<p>Colleges & Universities</p> <p>SC Education Lottery funds for E&G purposes:</p>	<p><u>Academic Facilities, Maintenance & Repair:</u> Last year, institutions received \$5,239,938 in funds allocated to technical colleges system and all other institutions on a pro-rata basis relative to the prior year base appropriation. In FY16, an appropriation of up to \$3,000,000 to be allocated similarly to last year. The source of these funds is anticipated excess FY15 lottery funds and appropriated on a pro-rata basis if not fully realized, which is anticipated. <i>[94.17% or \$2,825,028 became available 8/28/2015.]</i></p> <p><u>Lottery Technology Funding for four-year and two-year public colleges</u> was funded at up to \$7.5 million for FY16. In FY15, technology funds received totaled \$7.4 million. For the FY16 technology funds, the source is excess FY15 lottery surplus with \$5 million funded from the “priority list” and to be fully available and \$2.5 million funded from the “pro-rata” list and not fully anticipated. The \$2.5 million will be available on a pro-rata basis if funding is not fully realized, which is anticipated. <i>[94.17% or \$2,354,190 became available 8/28/2015.]</i></p> <p><u>Other:</u> Consistent with past years, an allocation of \$2.5 million is provided to SC State.</p>
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Other Lottery Funded Higher Education Programs	
<p>PASCAL (Higher Education Electronic Library)</p>	<p>PASCAL is included at up to \$1.5 million in the list of items to be funded from excess FY15 lottery funds on a pro rata basis if funding is not fully realized. It is anticipated that some but not all of this funding will be realized. <i>[94.17% or \$1,412,514 became available 8/28/2015.]</i></p>
<p>SmartState (Endowed Chairs)</p>	<p>For the ninth consecutive year, no new annual funding is provided.</p>
<p>Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program (HEEEP)</p>	<p>Program receives up to \$4,636,137, an increase of \$329,042 over FY15. HEEEP is allocated to historically black colleges and universities pursuant to §2-77-10, <i>et seq.</i> Funds are allocated equally across the state’s six four-year HBCUs and Columbia College and Converse College, which are again included by proviso (3.7). Of the total HEEEP funds for FY16, \$658,084 is from FY15 excess lottery proceeds to be provided on a pro-rata basis if funds are not fully realized which is anticipated. <i>[94.17% of the pro-rata excess became available 8/28/2015 resulting in total HEEEP funding \$4,597,755.]</i></p>
<p>Provisions to allocate lottery funds to individual independent colleges</p>	<p>FY16 lottery allocations include for the second year appropriations to two independent colleges, up to \$50,000 each for Clinton College and Coker College. These items are funded with FY15 excess lottery proceeds to be provided on a pro rata basis should funding not be fully realized. <i>[94.17% or \$47,084 for each became available 8/28/2015.]</i> In FY15, these colleges and Southern Methodist each received \$75,933.</p>

State-supported Student Financial Aid Programs	
<p>Scholarships and Grants:</p>	<p>\$388,279,858 million (22% in General Funds; 78% in Lottery Funds) is provided in total to fund scholarship and grants for South Carolina students, including SREB contract programs. See next page for details by program.</p>
<p>Merit-based (Palmetto Fellows, LIFE and HOPE)</p>	<p>The General Assembly continues to fully fund the state’s undergraduate merit-based scholarship programs for anticipated growth. Additionally, the budget continues to support year-round awards for Palmetto Fellows and LIFE scholarships. The proviso authorizing year-round awards was moved to CHE’s section as a standalone proviso (11.19). Funding for merit-based scholarships totaled \$264 million with an increase of \$6 million.</p>
<p>Need-based (CHE Need-based, SC Tuition Grants)</p>	<p>Need-based grants funding, which provides for need-based grants at public institutions and for supplementing Tuition Grants, remained level compared to FY15 at \$27.6 million. Need-based funds provided for the College Transition Programs also remained level, supported at \$179,178 (See proviso 15). Tuition Grants (need-based grants for students at independent institutions) received an increase of \$136,772 in General Funds.</p>
<p>Lottery Tuition Assistance (LTA)</p>	<p>Funding increased by \$2 million bringing the total to \$51.1 million.</p>

(State-supported Student Financial Aid, continued)

SC National Guard College Assistance Program (SCNG CAP)	Level funding, as requested, of \$4,634,968 is provided.
Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) Programs	SC's continued participation in the SREB programs, including student contract programs for Veterinary Medicine and Optometry, is fully funded with the provided increase of \$181,640 in General Funds. Per the deletion of a proviso (11.2) authorizing participation in the SREB Arts Program (tuition assistance for SC students attending NC School for the Arts), SC's participation in the SREB Arts Contract program is ended.
Tech System – Workforce Scholarships & Grants	Funding of \$5,000,001 (Lottery and \$1 from General Fund) is provided for a new scholarship and grant program for workforce training. See a related proviso, 117.127, regarding a study of workforce development coordination.
In-state tuition for certain Out-of-State Veterans - Act 11 of 2015 (S.391)	The General Assembly enacted legislation to provide in compliance with federal law that certain out-of-state veterans attending a SC public college or university must be provided in-state tuition rates. Included in the FY16 budget is a provision to provide an offset of the loss in tuition and fees for the students who will be classified as in-state as a result. A fund for this purpose to be administered by CHE is established in the Treasurer's Office in the amount of \$3,000,001 (Proviso 3.8 and \$1 from CRF). The controlling proviso for the fund and administration of the reimbursements is Proviso 11.42.

Scholarships and Grants	FY 2015-16 By Source and Total				Difference, FY16 Total minus FY15 Total
	FY 2014-15 Total All Sources	Part 1A	Lottery	Total	
¹ Palmetto Fellows	\$ 58,087,598	\$ 20,439,310	\$ 38,691,990	\$ 59,131,300	\$ 1,043,702
LIFE	\$ 189,680,420	\$ 24,329,882	\$ 171,896,844	\$ 196,226,726	\$ 6,546,306
⁶ summer eligibility	\$ 1,718,902			\$ -	\$ (1,718,902)
SC HOPE	\$ 8,707,972	\$ 231,727	\$ 8,565,373	\$ 8,797,100	\$ 89,128
³ Lottery Tuition Assistance 2-Year	\$ 49,100,000	n/a	\$ 51,100,000	\$ 51,100,000	\$ 2,000,000
^{1,2} CHE Need-Based Grants	\$ 27,600,000	\$ 12,179,178	\$ 15,600,000	\$ 27,779,178	\$ 179,178
⁴ Tuition Grants	\$ 31,617,386	\$ 23,495,394	\$ 8,258,764	\$ 31,754,158	\$ 136,772
National Guard College Tuition Assistance	\$ 4,634,968	\$ 89,968	\$ 4,545,000	\$ 4,634,968	\$ -
SREB Programs and Assessments	\$ 3,667,610	\$ 3,849,250	n/a	\$ 3,849,250	\$ 181,640
⁵ SREB Arts Program	\$ 7,177	\$ 7,177	n/a	\$ 7,177	\$ -
Tech System - Workforce Scholarships & Grants		\$ 1	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,001	\$ 5,000,001
TOTAL	\$ 374,822,033	\$ 84,621,887	\$ 303,657,971	\$ 388,279,858	\$ 13,457,825

¹ Includes allocation from Education Endowment appropriation of \$24 million which is divided equally between Palmetto Fellows and Need-based Grants.

² Lottery funds include \$13 million from FY16 proceeds and \$2.6 million from FY15 surplus funds. Also included in recurring funds are \$179,178 in funds transferred from CTC to need-based and dedicated to need-based grants for college transition programs. (Proviso 11.15)

³ FY16 LTA includes \$47.4M from lottery net proceeds and \$3.7M from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus in Priority Order.

⁴ Includes only those Part 1A state appropriations directly allocated to the SC Tuition Grants Commission for grants. Tuition Grants also receives a portion of CHE Need-based grants relative to enrollment of eligible independent institutions which is in Need-based numbers here and not reflected in the Tuition Grants numbers.

⁵ Proviso authorizing participation in SREB Arts program (Proviso 11.2) was deleted in FY16, thereby ending participation in this program.

⁶ Palmetto Fellows and LIFE summer eligibility continues and awards are funded from line items for these program. See Proviso 11.19 (CHE: Scholarship Awards) for summer award provision.

Commission on Higher Education (CHE)

As noted above, funds requested by CHE to enable participation at existing levels for the year for SREB contract programs. CHE requested funding for an audit position which was provided through an increase from \$260,000 to \$345,000 in lottery funding from scholarship allocations authorized for CHE to use in administering the programs. CHE did not receive requested funds for agency security, the Governor's Professor of the Year Program, or its requested initiative for colleges and universities (Innovation for Student Affordability).

The General Assembly transferred program funds for the Lowcountry Graduate Center (\$785,099 in General Funds) that flowed through CHE to the College of Charleston, the program's fiscal agent. Funding continues to flow through CHE for the University Center of Greenville (UCG). \$250,000 in non-recurring funding was provided to UCG; a veto of these funds was subsequently overridden.

Temporary Part 1B Budget Provisos included in the Appropriations Act (H.3701)

The following includes a listing of select budget provisos of interest for higher education or related to all agencies and impacting higher education that are NEW, AMENDED, or DELETED for FY 2015-16. Provisos are listed in section number order. Readers are encouraged to access and review the full text of provisos referenced below for complete information.

To access **full text of the FY16 Part 1B Provisos in the budget as ratified and Governor’s vetoes marked**, see http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess121_2015-2016/appropriations2015/tab15ndx.php.

To access provisos as marked to denote amendments, see the *Conference Report* as adopted by the House and Senate on June 23, 2015, http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess121_2015-2016/appropriations2015/crb15ndx.php. Note that if this source is used, it is consistent with the budget as ratified by the General Assembly but prior to vetoes of the Governor (i.e., vetoes not marked) and subsequent action of the General Assembly.

FY 15 Proviso	Proviso Title	Proviso Status Brief Summary Notes <i>(Provisos continued unchanged are not included below)</i>
1.88	SDE: Teacher Certification Exemption	NEW. Enables a teacher certified at the secondary level to teach in grades 7-12 without having add on certification for middle-level education.
1A.33	SDE-EIA: Centers of Excellence	AMENDED. Proviso directs funding allocation for CHE Centers of Excellence for professional teacher development including CHE grant funds and Francis Marion allocation for its Center to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty. The amendment deletes language no longer necessary relating to direction in FY15 for funds provided and awarded in FY15 for a Center focused on professional teacher development in college and career readiness.
1A.69	SDE-EIA: Charter School Funding – Chartered by Institution of Higher Education	NEW. Proviso provides funding allocation direction relating to pupils enrolled in a brick and mortar charter school authorized by an approved institution of higher education located in SC.
1A. 73	SDE-EIA: Rural Teacher Recruiting Incentive	NEW. Proviso establishes and provides direction for a new program at CERRA (Center for Educator Recruitment and Retention) for the purposes of recruiting and retaining classroom educators in rural and underserved districts.
1A.78	SDE-EIA: Teacher Supply Study	NEW. Proviso directs CERRA, in concert with CHE, SDE and EOC to conduct, as outlined in the proviso, a supply and demand study relating to needs for teachers annually in public school classroom grades K5-12.
3.1	LEA: Audit	AMENDED. Proviso relates to the procedures for monitoring expenditures of lottery funds to ensure that they are spent within applicable state laws, rules and regulations. The proviso was amended to add reporting requirements by agencies with reports by CHE reporting for higher education, SDE for K-12, and all other agencies reporting by October 1, 2015. Reports are submitted to the Executive Budget Office and Chairs of the House and Senate finance committees.
3.2	LEA: Lottery Technology Funds	DELETED. Proviso had provided an allocation consideration for the transition of USC Beaufort from a two-year to a four-year institution in the early 2000’s.
3-5	LEA: Higher Education Allocations	DELETED. Proviso was introduced during the 2015 session budget deliberations and was NOT subsequently included.
3.6	LEA: FY2015-16 Lottery Funding	AMENDED. Proviso directing the expenditure of lottery programs for K-12 and higher education and was amended to include FY16 allocations and direction. See Appendix B of this report for detailed appropriations. See also proviso text for changes included within the proviso as to direction related to certain items including: CHE administration, SC State funds, K-12 technology funds, and higher education technology and maintenance funds. (Proviso replaces stricken Proviso 3.4 which had directed FY15 expenditures.)

FY 15 Proviso	Proviso Title	Proviso Status Brief Summary Notes <i>(Provisos continued unchanged are not included below)</i>
3.7	LEA: Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program Additions	This proviso replaces a proviso previously included in CHE's section. It enables Converse and Columbia Colleges to participate in the HEEEP program which provides lottery funding for the state's four-year historically black colleges and universities.
3.8	LEA: Transfer for Veteran Differential Reimbursement Fund	NEW. Proviso added to direct prior year carry forward funds of \$3 million from the National Guard Tuition Repayment Program to the Treasurer for purposes of a fund to be used for reimbursement of public institutions relating to Act 11 of 2015 that enables certain out-of-state veterans and those using VA educational benefits to receive in-state tuition. See Proviso 11.42 for additional information. (This transfer does not affect the goals of the SC National Guard tuition repayment program which remains funded at the same level as in FY15 and recent past years.)
11.2	CHE: Out-of-State School of the Arts	DELETED. This proviso authorized the expenditure of \$7,177 in funds for SREB for participation in a contract program that provided tuition assistance to SC residents attending the NC School of Arts high school program. Deletion ends participation in this particular program.
11.7	CHE: Performance Improvement Pool Allocation	AMENDED. Technical amendment was made to appropriately align the budget section references.
11.13 (See 3.7 above)	CHE: Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program Additions (HEEEP)	DELETED. Proviso provided for eligibility of Converse and Columbia Colleges in the HEEEP program and was moved in its entirety to the Lottery Section.
11.14	CHE: SCNG CAP Carry Forward	DELETED. Proviso was no longer necessary as the provision to enable funds to be carried over and used for the same purpose for the SC National Guard College Assistance Program was placed into permanent law during the 2014 session with the passage of Act 141 of 2014. (See §59-114-65)
11.17	CHE: Inventory of State-Mandated Reporting Requirements	DELETED. Proviso directed CHE to compile a listing in FY 2013-14 of reporting required of public higher education institutions and was deleted as a result of the study being completed.
11.16	CHE: Mission, Ethics, and Value Statements	DELETED. Proviso was added in FY15 to require institutional reporting on mission, ethics, and values statements which was accomplished in January 2015.
11.17	CHE: Distribution of Materials on College Campuses	DELETED. Proviso was added in FY15 and deleted as of FY16.
11.18	CHE: Required Reading Material Reporting	DELETED. Proviso had been added to affect FY15 expenditures by University of Charleston and USC Upstate and deleted as of FY16.
11.19	CHE: Scholarship Awards	Proviso repeats language included previously in the FY15 lottery expenditure proviso and enables the continuation of awards of Palmetto Fellows and LIFE to be provided during summer. CHE adopted guidelines for the summer awards in April 2015 – see http://www.che.sc.gov/CHE_Docs/student-services/Year-RoundPolicyGuideline_Website.pdf
11.25	CHE: Other Funded FTE Revenue	NEW. Proviso provides direction to higher education institutions relating to requests for additional other funded full-time equivalent positions.
11.29	CHE: Abatements	NEW. Requires institutions to report certain data to CHE by October 1 relating to abatements/waivers of tuition provided under §59-112-70 and also §59-101-620.
11.30	CHE: Outstanding Institutional Debt	NEW. Requires institutional reporting by November 1 to the House and Senate finance committee chairs and CHE relating to outstanding institutional debt.

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11.20, 11.21, 11.22, 11.23, 11.24 11.26, 11.27, 11.28 11.31, 11.32, 11.33, 11.34 11.36, 11.37, 11.38, 11.39, 11.40		DELETED. These provisos relating to various topics were introduced in CHE's section during the 2015 session budget deliberations and were NOT subsequently included in the budget.
11.41	CHE: Technical College Study	NEW. Directs CHE to examine and report on the viability of a program that would allow free tuition for SC high school graduates to attend SC technical colleges without paying tuition and fees. The requisite study which may include recommendations for legislation is due to the General Assembly by January 31, 2016.
11.42	CHE: College and University Out of State Veteran Tuition Differential Reimbursement Fund	NEW. Proviso added to provide for administration of a fund held by the State Treasurer for the purpose of institutional reimbursements relative to Act 11 of 2015 which provides that covered individuals (certain veterans and those receiving allocated GI bill benefits under Chapters 30 and 33) who are from out-of-state to receive in-state tuition and fees. CHE is authorized to administer the reimbursements with institutional reports due not later than March 1, 2016 and funding allocated not later than June 15, 2016.
14.1	CU: Travel Advances and Subsistence Expenses	DELETED. Proviso enabled Clemson to provide travel advances in certain circumstances.
14.2	CU: Electrical Infrastructure	NEW. Directs Clemson University to report by December 1 on results of negotiations of the University relating to operation by an electric co-op or appropriate entity of main campus electrical infrastructure and associated maintenance.
19.1	SCSU: BRIDGE Program	DELETED. Proviso related to use of funds that had been provided for the BRIDGE for recruiting and preparing students for the teaching profession.
19.2	SCSU: Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee	DELETED. Proviso added in FY15 to create the SC State University Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee and was deleted.
19.3	SCSU: Interim Governing Authority and Control	DELETED. Proviso was introduced during the 2015 session budget deliberations and was NOT subsequently included. (Note: Permanent legislation, H.3663, to replace SCSU's board was adopted and enacted during the session.)
19.4	SCSU: Loan Funds	NEW. Proviso added regarding considerations for loan funds provided to SC State during FY 2014-15.
20.4	USC: Energy-Related Economic Development	DELETED. Proviso was new in FY15 and required reporting by January 2015.
20.5	USC: Palmetto College Operating	NEW. Proviso directs the allocation by \$373,000 in new recurring funds appropriated to USC for USC's 2-year campuses and requires reporting to CHE and the House and Senate finance committee chairs of the allocations made from these funds to each school.
25.1	TEC: Training of New and Expanding Industry	AMENDED. Technical amendments to correct the program name from CATT to ReadySC.
25.6	TEC: Critical Statewide Workforce Needs	NEW. Proviso enables funds appropriated for the SC Aeronautics Training Center to be carried forward and used for the same purpose.
25.7	TEC: Governance	DELETED. Proviso was introduced during the 2015 session budget deliberations and was NOT subsequently included.
33.22	DHHS: Medicaid Accountability and Quality Improvement Initiative	AMENDED. Among other initiatives, proviso includes direction relating to funding for MUSC MUHA and SC SOM relating to telemedicine and rural healthcare initiatives.
33.30	DHHS: Healthcare Workforce Analysis	NEW. Provides an allocation of \$200,000 to be transferred from DHHS to AHEC for the Office of Healthcare Workforce Analysis.

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81.14	LLR: Wind and Structural Engineering Research Lab	NEW. Directs LLR to use \$40,000 of appropriated department funds to contract with the Citadel for a research project relating to wind and seismic residential building requirements.
93.18	DOA: Compensation – Reporting of Supplemental Salaries	AMENDED. Proviso relates to requirements for award and reporting of supplemental salaries. Language is added to include college and university presidents and to amend information relating details to be reported.
117.15	GP: Allowance for Residences & Compensation Restrictions	AMENDED. Language amended relating to those who may be permitted to occupy residences owned by various departments of the state to include certain employees occupying residences owned by USC.
117.55	GP: Employee Bonuses	AMENDED. Proviso relates to allowances for bonuses that may be awarded by agencies and is amended to provide additional direction relating to reporting requirements and establish August 31 st of each year as the date by which information must be reported by agencies.
117.62	GP: LightRail	DELETED. Proviso related to the establishment and reporting for the SC LightRail Consortium which has since been established in permanent legislation, §§ 59-151-100, et. seq.
117.73	GP: Printed Report Requirements	AMENDED. The proviso was amended to update the date for continued applicability of the proviso. The proviso has been in existence since FY10 and provides for the suspension of or requirement for only electronic reporting of certain items including some higher education data reporting.
117.82	GP: Deficit Monitoring	AMENDED. Language amended to provide further direction to the Executive Budget Office for monitoring agencies with respect to expenditures within authorized limits and direction for action taken by the Executive Budget Office and General Assembly should deficit spending or the likelihood of a deficit be identified during the fiscal year.
117.105	GP: Prohibit Use of State Aircraft for Athletic Recruitment	AMENDED. Proviso is amended to enable the use of state planes for athletic recruiting and to provide for conditions under which the planes may be used for this purpose.
117.117	GP: Information Technology Disaster Recovery Plan	DELETED. Proviso provided direction to DOA for purposes of procuring a study during FY15 relating to a statewide information technology disaster recovery plan.
117.118	GP: Information Technology Information Security Plans	AMENDED. Proviso requires agency reports by October 1 on information technology and security plans and is amended by updating the date for continued applicability in FY16.
117.122	GP: SCOIS Transfer	NEW. Proviso transfers SC Occupational Information Systems program in its entirety from SC DEW to SDE.
117.125	GP: Employee Compensation	AMENDED. Proviso relates to state employee pay plan and is amended to zero percent pay increase for state employees. (Note: H.4230, Supplemental Bill, provides funding and authorization relating to a one-time bonus of \$800 in FY16 for state employees earning less than \$100,000)
117.127	GP: Comprehensive Workforce Development Coordination Initiative	NEW. Provides direction to State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education (SBTCE), DEW, Commerce and SDE to conduct a survey relating to workforce development needs of the state and to develop an initiative where technical colleges, school districts and career centers to work together to increase pathways to coursework, equipment and facilities that will lead to necessary workforce skills and trainings. The survey report must be completed by September 15, 2015. Additionally, SBTCE, DEW, Commerce and SDE are directed to use the report to develop a pathways program in alignment with EEDA to facilitate seamless transfer from education to workforce industries with crucial shortages and submit the plan by February 1, 2016 to chairs of House and Senate finance, education, and commerce and industry committees.

FY 15 Proviso	Proviso Title	Proviso Status Brief Summary Notes <i>(Provisos continued unchanged are not included below)</i>
117.131	GP: Energy Efficiency Repair and Related Maintenance	NEW. Proviso enables nonrecurring funding appropriated in FY15 to universities for the Higher Education Efficiency, Effectiveness and Accountability Review to be used for the purpose of energy efficiency repair and energy related maintenance. Funds are required to be matched and CHE is required to report not later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year on the use of the funds under this provision.
117.133	GP: Capital Bond Study Committee	NEW. Proviso establishes a committee to include three members of the Senate, three members of the House, and three members appointed by the Governor for the purpose of studying capital needs of the state's higher education system. The committee is to report its findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation to JBRC by December 31, 2015.
118.14	SR: Non-recurring Revenue	Proviso directs expenditure of non-recurring FY15 surplus revenue. Several higher education institutions receive funding from this proviso as does CHE for need-based grants and the University Center of Greenville. See Appendix A for information regarding higher education appropriations.

LEGISLATION

The 2015 is the first year of the two-year continuing session. Bills not enacted are carried over into the next session retaining their position. The following provides information about the status of select higher education bills and statewide legislation discussed during the session.

Bills enacted during 2015 are listed first and shaded in yellow. All other bills are in numeric order of the bill number with House bills (denoted by H.) listed first and followed by Senate bills (denoted by S.).

Bill summaries and full text copies of legislation are accessible by clicking on the hyperlinked bill number. For a listing of legislation passed during the 2015 Session with information regarding the Governor's consideration is available [Here](#). For a listing of Acts (including only those with an assigned Act number), see http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess121_2015-2016/bills/15actsp1.php. For CHE staff summaries during the Session and for tracking information (to be posted) on 2015-2016 Legislation, [CLICK HERE](#)

Bill #	Bill Title or Brief Descriptive Title	Legislation Status <i>Enacted legislation shaded yellow; Bill #, left, is hyperlinked to full text</i>
H.3663	SC State University Board of Trustees	Legislation signed into law and effective 5/7/2015. (Act # not assigned) The bill provided for the removal and replacement of the SC Board of Trustees with an interim board that was appointed as required within a week of the passage of the legislation.
H.3847	Speech-Language Pathologist Assistant	Legislation signed into law 6/3/2015. Act # not assigned. Provides for a temporary exemption for applicants for licensure as a speech-language pathologist assistant from the requirement, which was enacted in 2014, of having a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution.
H.4135	Greenville Technical College Area Commission	Legislation signed into law and effective 6/3/2015. Act # 49. Legislation makes changes to the make-up of and provisions for the Greenville Technical College Area Commission.
S.11	FOIA – Meeting Agenda	Legislation signed into law and effective 6/8/2015. Act # 70. Legislation makes changes to SC FOIA §30-4-80 to specifically require the posting of agenda and add requirements relating to postings and for consideration of any changes made subsequent to required postings.
S.47	Body Cameras	Legislation signed into law and effective 6/10/2015. Act # 71. Legislation provides for related definition, guidelines and policies and procedures, and data release requirements for body-worn cameras by state and local law enforcement officers and requires state and local law enforcement agencies under the direction of the Law Enforcement Training Council, to implement the use of body-worn cameras pursuant to guidelines established by the Law Enforcement Training Council.

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S.261	Free tuition for 60 years old & over	Legislation signed into law and effective 6/3/2015. Act # 50. Bill amends §59-112-320 relating to provisions authorizing institutions to offer free tuition on a space available basis to those 60 years old and over by striking the requirement that participants must not be receiving compensation as a full-time employee; thereby enabling participation of full-time employees.
S.437	James B. Edwards Civics Education	Legislation signed into law and effective 6/3/2015. Act # 52. The bill includes requirements for K-12 students with respect to taking the citizenship examination used by the US Citizenship and Immigration Services. Provisions relating to higher education that had been considered as part of the bill were not included.
S.364	SC Read to Succeed Act	Legislation signed into law and effective 3/9/2015. Act # not assigned. Legislation amended the date by which the State Department of Education must approve the state reading plan under the Read to Succeed Act of 2014 from Feb 1, 2015 to June 15, 2015.
S.382	SC State University relating to employee furloughs	Legislation signed into law and effective 4/2/2015. Act # not assigned. Legislation provides authorization for the president of SC State University to institute a mandatory furlough.
S.391	In-state tuition rates for military personnel	Legislation signed into law on and effective July 1, 2015. Act # 11. Provides for “covered individuals” enrolled in public higher education institutions and receiving Veterans educational benefits under Chapters 30 and 33 of Title 38 of the United States Code to pay in-state tuition and fees without regard to the length of time the covered individual has resided in South Carolina. The new provision under Act 11 is being implemented by your institutions and is applicable to terms commencing on or after July 1, 2015.
S.897	Capitol Complex Grounds	Legislation signed into law and effective 7/9/2015. Act # not assigned Passed during the special session held under provisions of Sine Die Resolution, H.4274, the bill permanently removes the South Carolina Infantry Battle Flag of the Confederate States of America from the grounds of the Capitol Complex and provides for its appropriate display in the Confederate Relic Room.
HOUSE BILLS		
H.3037	In-state tuition for nonresident veterans	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Bill would amends provisions for former military who are establishing residency in SC for determination of tuition and fee rates so as to waive the requisite one-year residency period. (See below S.391 for a bill enacted that also relates to in-state rates for out-of-state veterans.)
H.3151	Teaching of Foundational Documents	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Legislation relates to provisions for public higher education institutions regarding the teaching of US foundational documents. The bill passed the House and remained in Senate committee.
H.3200	Higher Education Institutions	On Senate Calendar. Legislation would exempt a public employee of an institution of higher education, who participates in the development of intellectual property that benefits the institution from various provisions of the State Ethics Act provided that the institution retains some royalty rights to the intellectual property.
H.3249	SC College and University Board of Regents	In Committee – House Education & Public Works. Bill was pre-filed, introduced and referred to the House Education & Public Works committee where it remains. This bill would create a board of regents governing system for higher education. The bill is under review by a special ad hoc committee of House Education & Public Works Committee that held an organizational session near the end of the 2015 Session and plans to meet in the interim to develop recommendations for the upcoming Session.
H.3344	SDE Uniform Grading Scale	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Bill relates to the uniform grading scale for public schools and proposes amendments to the §59-5-68 to require a ten point grading scale.

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H.3353	GED Camps	On Senate Calendar. The bill was passed by the House and subsequently considered by Senate Education which passed the bill out of Committee to the Senate with a favorable report. The bill relates to a pilot program to establish campus for completion of the high school equivalency diploma.
H.3534	HEEEP Program	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Bill passed the House and under consideration in the Senate to add Clinton College as eligible to participate in the Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program. See also S.185, a companion bill which remained in Senate Education.
H.3373	Construction Pathway	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Legislation relating to educational pathways for construction. Considered in subcommittee where the bill remained.
H.3374	Manufacturing Pathway	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Legislation relating to educational pathways for construction. Considered in subcommittee where the bill remained.
H.3414	University of Charleston	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Bill amends §59-130-30 relating to the powers and duties of the College of Charleston Board of Trustees to name the University of Charleston component a research university. A companion bill, S.377, remained in Senate Education.
H.3546	Stipends for College Athletes	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Bill remained in subcommittee after a hearing on the legislation. A companion bill, S.171, introduced in the Senate also remained in committee in the Senate.
H.4006	SC-NC Border Clarification	In House Committee – House Judiciary. Bill provides for clarification of the SC-NC border and includes various reciprocity provisions for affected parties including those relating to residency for fee purposes for higher education. A companion bill, S.667, passed the Senate and is also in House Judiciary.
H.4108	Various Pathways including STEM	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Legislation relating to educational pathways for construction, manufacturing and STEM.
H.4144	College Tuition	In House Committee – House Ways & Means. Adds §59-101-440 to define an exemption of out-of-state tuition and eligibility for state scholarships and grants for a student other than a nonimmigrant alien within the meaning of Section 101(a)(15) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. Section 1101(a)(15).
H.4145	Coordinating Council for Workforce Development	On House Calendar. Creates a Coordinating Council for Workforce Development and provides for related workforce training and education planning, programs, and initiatives. The was considered by Ways and Means, amended and reported to the House for consideration. See FY16 Appropriations Act for a related budget proviso, 117.127.
SENATE BILLS		
S.171	Stipends for College Athletes	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Bill remained in subcommittee after a hearing on the legislation. A companion bill, H.3546, introduced in the Senate also remained in committee in the Senate.
S.185	HEEEP Program	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Bill remained in subcommittee after a hearing on the legislation which would add Clinton College as eligible to participate in the Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program. See also H.3354, a companion bill which passed the House and is in Senate Education.
S.377	University of Charleston	In House Committee – House Education & Public Works. Bill amends §59-130-30 relating to the powers and duties of the College of Charleston Board of Trustees to name the University of Charleston component a research university. A companion bill, H.3414, remained in House Education & Public Works.

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S.589	Music Therapists Practice Act	In Senate Committee – Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry. Establishes practice act for Music Therapists.
S.528	Higher Education Textbooks	On Senate Calendar. Bill adds provisions for a textbook policy for public colleges and universities that is intended to minimize college textbook costs.
S.640	Higher Education Safe Campus and College Experience Task Force	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Provides for the creation of a task force for purposes of studying issues and making recommendations regarding higher education campus safety. A proviso on the same was adopted by the Senate in FY16 budget recommendations but was not subsequently included in the final budget.
S.657	Bond Bill	Remains on Senate Calendar. Bond bill funding was introduced as part of the House budget deliberations and was subsequently not included. During the Senate deliberations, a free-standing bond bill, S.657, was introduced, considered by Senate Finance and remained on the calendar without further action as of the end of the session. A proviso, 117.133, was included in the FY16 Appropriations Act to study bond funding for higher education.
S.667	SC-NC Border Clarification	In House Committee – House Judiciary. Bill passed the Senate and sent to House Judiciary where it remains under consideration along with a companion bill, H.4006. The legislation provides for clarification of the SC-NC border and includes various reciprocity provisions for affected parties including those relating to residency for fee purposes for higher education.
S.685	Engineers and Surveyors	In Senate Committee – Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry. Bill relates to the requirements and regulation of the practice of engineers and surveyors and after one subcommittee hearing, it remained in subcommittee under consideration.
S.695	College Tuition Reciprocity	In Senate Committee – Senate Education. Bill relates to in-state tuition assessment to enable certain SC institutions to offer in-state rates to students from Georgia and North Carolina and to provide for limitations.
REGULATIONS		
Doc. # R4533	CHE – SC NG CAP	Pending end of review period 1/13/2016. CHE Regulations for the National Guard College Assistance Program which include revisions to incorporate into regulation prior statutory changes enacted for the program. Regulation passed by Senate and remained in House committee after favorable review. The regulation review period expires 1/13/2016.
Doc. # R4534	CHE – SC NG Loan Repayment	Pending end of review period 1/13/2016. Proposed regulations to repeal regulations for the National Guard Loan Repayment Program which is no longer active. Regulation passed by Senate and remained in House committee after favorable review. The regulation review period expires 1/13/2016.
For a listing and information regarding other State Regulations, introduced and considered during the 2015 Session, see http://www.scstatehouse.gov/registerandregs.php		

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

CHE Appointments: During the 2015 Session, six new members and one returning member were appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate including: **Mr. Tim Hofferth** of Chapin and **Mr. Clark Parker** of Myrtle Beach as statewide at-large members; **Dr. Jennifer Settlemyer**, re-appointed as a statewide at-large member; **Ms. Allison Dean Love** of Columbia and Citadel trustee appointed as the four-year comprehensive public institution representative, a seat previously held by Ms. Natasha Hanna, a Coastal Carolina University trustee; **Dr. Louis Lynn** of Columbia and Clemson University trustee appointed as the research institution representative, a position previously held by Ms. Leah Moody, a University of South Carolina trustee; **Mr. Paul Batson** of Greer and Greenville Technical College area commissioner appointed as the technical college system representative; **Dr. Evans Whitaker**, president of Anderson University, appointed as the independent institution representative.

Higher Education Governance: During budget deliberations, the House began a conversation about higher education governance after acting to defund CHE in the House budget recommendations. CHE was subsequently restored in the state's budget that was ultimately enacted. The House Education & Public Works Committee, chaired by Representative Rita Allison, established a special ad hoc committee, Higher Education Governance Ad Hoc Committee, to review governance, including a bill ([H.3249](#)) introduced to establish a board of regents system in South Carolina. The ad hoc committee is chaired by Representative Taylor who also chairs the Higher Education Subcommittee of House Education & Public Works, and includes Representatives Bradley, Brown, Clary, Felder, George, Johnson, Mitchell, and Wells. The ad hoc committee held an organizational meeting in late May and is expected to meet beginning in September and during the interim leading up to the January 2016 Session in order to prepare recommendations for consideration in the upcoming Session. It was also indicated in the Senate that similar conversations may be expected.

State Government Restructuring: The South Carolina Restructuring [Act 121 of 2014 \(S.22\)](#) became fully effective as of July 1, 2015. The legislation provided for a one-year transition period during FY15 for agencies affected by the restructuring provisions. In accordance with Act, the Budget and Control Board ceased operations on June 30, 2015, and effective July 1, 2015, the majority of its functions and responsibilities are transferred to the Department of Administration, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority, and the Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum Commission. The Executive Budget Office and the Governor's Office of Executive Policy and Programs have also been transferred and incorporated into the Department of Administration. See the Act 121 for other relevant changes for functions impacted by the restructuring.

APPENDIX A, Higher Education Funding

FY 2015-16 Appropriations: Summary of H.3701 Part 1A and Non-Recurring Funding, except Lottery

Change: FY 2015-16 Increases/Decreases and Non-recurring (one-time) Appropriation						
	FY 2014-15 Beginning Base, Part 1A Recurring	PART 1A - Recurring		Non-recurring (See also Lottery Summary) ²		TOTAL NonRecurring
		New Appropriations	% Change over FY15 Base	NonRecurring Part 1B Proviso 118.14	Capital Reserve Fund (H.3702)	
SC Commission on Higher Education	\$93,476,932	(\$25,129,970)	-26.9%	\$250,001	\$1	\$250,002
SREB Contract Programs		\$181,640				
³ Scholarship Transfer		(\$24,526,511)				
University Center of Greenville				\$250,000		\$250,000
Lowcountry Grad Center (Transfer to CoFC)		(\$785,099)				
Need-based Grants				\$1		\$1
Out-of-State Veteran Tuition Reimbursement - Colleges (See Provisos 3.8 & 11.42)					\$1	\$1
SC Tuition Grants Commission - Tuition Grants	\$23,638,879	\$136,772	0.6%			
Tuition Grants		\$136,772				
Clemson	\$69,555,155	\$2,250,000	3.2%		\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Clemson Center for Human Genetics		\$1,500,000				
Deep Orange - ICAR		\$750,000				
Business and Behavioral Science Building					\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
USC Columbia	\$112,864,549	\$2,581,419	2.3%		\$9,430,000	\$9,430,000
On Your Time Graduation		\$2,000,000				
Honors College - Technology Equipment					\$500,000	\$500,000
Honors College - Laboratory Equipment					\$430,000	\$430,000
Palmetto College Academic Funding (Part 1B Proviso 20.5)		\$373,010				
USC SOM SC Children's Advocacy Medical Response System		\$208,409				
Old Law School Renovation					\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000
South Caroliniana Library					\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
MUSC	\$61,572,126	\$100,000	0.2%			
Institute of Medicine		\$100,000				
Citadel	\$9,470,339			\$250,000	\$2,321,784	\$2,571,784
Deas Hall & Equipment					\$966,484	\$966,484
Riley Initiative in Gov't & Public Policy				\$250,000		\$250,000
Byrd Hall Organic Chemistry Lab Renovations					\$1,355,300	\$1,355,300
Coastal Carolina	\$9,622,398	\$900,000	9.4%		\$479,723	\$479,723
Other Operating Expenses		\$900,000				
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)					\$479,723	\$479,723
College of Charleston	\$20,573,373	\$1,364,274	6.6%	\$150,000	\$1,750,000	\$1,900,000
Supply Chain Management		\$289,587				
Computer Science		\$289,588				
Stern Center Repurposing					\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000
Avery Center				\$150,000		\$150,000
Lowcountry Graduate Center (Transfer from CHE)		\$785,099				
Francis Marion	\$12,838,037	\$650,000	5.1%	\$100,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,600,000
Student Academic System Computer Software					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Business/Education School Building				\$100,000		\$100,000
Other Operating Expenses		\$650,000				
Lander	\$6,537,767	\$300,000	4.6%	\$300,001	\$1,000,000	\$1,300,001
Repair & Replace Science & Math Equipment (STEM)				\$1		\$1
Center for Montessori Education		\$300,000			\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Equestrian Center for Mental Health Trt - Pass through from DMH				\$300,000 ‡		\$300,000
SC State	\$12,974,014			\$4,000,000	\$646,817	\$4,646,817
Appropriation to Dept of Admin for SC State Vendor Debt				\$4,000,000		\$4,000,000
Maintenance and Demolition					\$646,817	\$646,817
USC Aiken	\$6,876,100	\$399,840	5.8%		\$342,807	\$342,807
Academic Funding		\$399,840				
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)					\$342,807	\$342,807
USC Beaufort	\$2,851,368	\$166,407	5.8%	\$1	\$142,154	\$142,155
Academic Funding		\$166,407				
Hilton Head Gateway Campus Classroom Building				\$1		\$1
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)					\$142,154	\$142,154
USC Upstate	\$9,560,247	\$560,743	5.9%		\$476,624	\$476,624
USC Upstate - Academic Funding		\$560,743				
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)					\$476,624	\$476,624
Winthrop	\$14,324,851	\$100,000	0.7%	\$2	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,002
Academic Success Center		\$100,000		\$1		\$1
Withers Roof					\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Library				\$1		\$1
USC Lancaster	\$1,654,369	\$100,000	6.0%		\$262,406	\$262,406
Academic Funding		\$100,000				
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)					\$262,406	\$262,406
USC Salkehatchie	\$1,392,257				\$69,411	\$69,411
Maintenance: Critical Care and Repair (1:1 Match)					\$69,411	\$69,411
USC Sumter	\$2,708,684			\$500,000		\$500,000
USC Sumter Science Building				\$500,000		\$500,000
USC Union	\$658,186			\$67,000		\$67,000
USC Union Success Building				\$67,000		\$67,000

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Summary of FY 2015-16 Higher Education Appropriations Recurring & Nonrecurring, except Lottery

	Change: FY 2015-16 Increases/Decreases and Non-recurring (one-time) Appropriation					
	FY 2014-15 Beginning Base, Part 1A Recurring	PART 1A - Recurring		Non-recurring (See also Lottery Summary) ²		TOTAL NonRecurring
		New Appropriations	% Change over FY15 Base	NonRecurring Part 1B Proviso 118.14	Capital Reserve Fund (H.3702)	
SC Technical College System - State Board & Colleges	\$126,616,953	\$6,000,000	4.7%	\$9,108,882	\$38,349,001	\$47,457,883
ready SC				\$765,881	\$4,249,000	\$5,014,881
Manufacturing, Healthcare & STEM		\$4,000,000				
Manufacturing, STEM & Healthcare Equipment				\$2,000,000		\$2,000,000
Aeronautical Training Center					\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Workforce Pathways Instructional Materials					\$1	\$1
Pathways to Workplace Infrastructure Development				\$1		\$1
Dual Credit STEM Program Extension/Workforce Pathways		\$2,000,000				
ATC - Advanced Manufacturing & Industrial Equip.				\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
CCTC - Kershaw Campus					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
CCTC - Workforce Center				\$500,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,800,000
DTC - Building #200 & #300 Renovations					\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
FDTC - Academic & Workforce Development Building				\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
GTC - Center for Manuf. & Innovation Building				\$500,000		\$500,000
GTC Bridge Tech STEM				\$65,000		\$65,000
HGTC - Advanced Manufacturing Center					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
MTC - QuickJobs-MTC Center for Rapid Employment				\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
NETC - Industrial Training Center Renovations					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
NETC - Workforce Training Equipment				\$300,000		\$300,000
OCTC - Upgrade Tech Infrastructure & Security Systems					\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
PTC - Phase III Center for Advanced Manufacturing					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
SCC - Composite Manufacturing Training Center				\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
TCL - New River Campus Road Improvements					\$500,000	\$500,000
TCL-Transitioning Military Trng Prgm -Pass through from Ofc of Adj. Gen.				\$350,000 ‡		\$350,000
TCTC - Engineering & Industrial Tech Program					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
TTC - Workforce Training Equipment					\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
WTC - Electrical Technology/MCSC Lab Renovations				\$628,000		\$628,000
YTC - Loop Road Construction					\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
AHEC (Area Health Education Consortium)	\$9,752,642			\$200,000		\$200,000
Proviso 33.30 (DHHS Healthcare Workforce Analysis) Transfer to AHEC				\$200,000 ‡		\$200,000
Subtotals						
Colleges & Universities						
Research	\$243,991,830	\$4,931,419	2.0%		\$14,430,000	\$14,430,000
4-Yr Comprehensive	\$105,628,494	\$4,441,264	4.2%	\$4,800,004	\$10,659,909	\$15,459,913
2-yr USC Regional Branch Campuses	\$6,413,496	\$100,000	1.6%	\$567,000	\$331,817	\$898,817
Subtotal	\$356,033,820	\$9,472,683	2.7%	\$5,367,004	\$25,421,726	\$30,788,730
Technical College System (Central Office & Institutions)	\$126,616,953	\$6,000,000	4.7%	\$9,108,882	\$38,349,001	\$47,457,883
AHEC	\$9,752,642	\$0	0.0%	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
Colleges & Universities Total (Incl AHEC & SBTCE)	\$492,403,415	\$15,472,683	3.1%	\$14,675,886	\$63,770,727	\$78,446,613
CHE	\$93,476,932	(\$25,129,970)	-26.9%	\$250,001	\$1	\$250,002
Tuition Grants	\$23,638,879	\$136,772	0.6%			
¹ Total Higher Education	\$609,519,226	(\$9,520,515)	-1.6%	\$14,925,887	\$63,770,728	\$78,696,615

⁽¹⁾ Higher Education Total includes CHE, CHE funding that flows through CHE to institutions and other higher education entities, Tuition Grants, the State Technical College System Office, 33 public colleges and universities, and AHEC. Clemson PSA and SC State PSA are not reflected in this report.

Also excluded from the Higher Education Total are \$25,000,000 in funds from CRF reflected under MUSC for the Medical University Hospital Authority (MUHA) Children's Hospital.

⁽²⁾ Nonrecurring funding reported in this summary table here reflects one-time funds from provisos and Capital Reserve Fund. Higher education institutions did not receive funding in the Supplemental Bill (H.4230). CHE received an allocation of \$2.6 million for Need-based grants in the Supplemental Bill that are lottery funds and reflected in Appendix B. It does not reflect higher education scholarships and grants and other anticipated institutional appropriations from the SC Education Lottery for higher education. See Appendix B for a summary of the FY16 Lottery appropriations for higher education.

⁽³⁾ Scholarships are fully funded in FY 2015-16 for anticipated growth through General and Lottery Funds and anticipated prior year program carry forward. See summary of scholarships and grants included in this year-end summary document.

‡ Item funded by a proviso directing an appropriation from another agency.

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SC Education Lottery, Summary of Allocations per FY 2015-16 Appropriations Act, Part 1B Proviso 3.6

SC Education Lottery Appropriations, FY 2015-16

Per FY16 Part1B Proviso 3.6 (LEA: FY2015-16 Lottery Funding)

	Total Lottery	% of Total
Higher Education		
1* Palmetto Fellows	\$38,691,990	
1* LIFE	\$171,896,844	
1* HOPE	\$8,565,373	
Lottery Tuition Assistance (LTA)	\$51,100,000	
1 LTA from Certified FY16 Proceeds	\$47,400,000	
4 LTA from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority Item 3	\$3,700,000	
* CHE Need-based (NB)	\$15,600,000	
1 CHE NB from Certified FY16 Proceeds	\$13,000,000	
6 CHE NB - FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus in Supplemental Bill	\$2,600,000	
* Tuition Grants (TG)	\$8,258,764	
2 TG from Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds	\$6,660,000	
4 TG from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority Item 4	\$1,598,764	
2* National Guard Coll Assistance Prgm (Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds)	\$4,545,000	
1* SC State	\$2,500,000	
Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program (HEEEP)	\$4,597,755	
2 HEEEP from Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds	\$2,950,000	
4 HEEEP from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority item 5	\$1,028,053	
5 HEEEP from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Pro Rata Items	\$619,702	
Technology - 2- & 4-yr Public	\$7,354,250	
4 Technology from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority Item 6	\$5,000,000	
5 Technology from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Pro Rata Items	\$2,354,250	
4 SBTCE - Workforce Schol & Grants (FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority Item 7)	\$5,000,000	
Other HE Items appropriated through CHE from FY15 Lottery Surplus - Pro Rata Items:		
5 PASCAL	\$1,412,550	
5 Critical Care & Replacement (Public Coll & Univ, Maint 1:1)	\$2,825,100	
5 Clinton College - surplus pro rata	\$47,085	
5 Coker College - surplus pro rata	\$47,085	
Subtotal Higher Education (includes all FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus)	\$322,441,796	88.4%
K-12 and Other Entities		
SDE, K-12 Technology Initiative	\$29,288,976	
1 K-12 Technology from Certified FY16 Proceeds	\$18,870,793	
4 K-12 Technology from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority Item 1	\$10,418,183	
SDE - School Buses	\$11,061,800	
2 School Buses from Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds	\$595,000	
4 School Buses from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Priority Item 2	\$4,300,000	
5 School Buses from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Pro Rata	\$3,766,800	
6 School Buses from FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Supplemental Bill	\$2,400,000	
2 School for Deaf & Blind, Technology (Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds)	\$200,000	
2 DAODAS, Gambling Addiction Svces (Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds)	\$50,000	
5 State Aid to County Libraries (FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus - Pro Rata)	\$1,600,890	
Subtotal K-12 and other entities (includes all FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus)	\$42,201,666	11.6%
TOTAL HE & K-12 (includes all FY15 Net Proceeds Surplus)	\$364,643,462	100.0%
Excess Unclaimed Prize Funds above Certified \$15 million (in priority order) ** :		
3 SDE - School Buses	\$6,000,000	tbd
3 SDE - Instructional Materials	\$6,000,000	tbd

** NOTE - Based on an average year, it would not be anticipated that excess unclaimed prize funds would be available. In FY15, a total of \$14,924,184 in unclaimed prize funds was realized as of a June 30 report. For the prior three years, a total of \$14,265,225 in FY14; \$12,436,933 in FY13; and \$13,653,581 in FY12.

Total SC Education Lottery Appropriations by Source:

1 Certified FY16 Lottery Proceeds	\$ 300,925,000	
2 Certified FY16 Unclaimed Prize Funds	\$ 15,000,000	
3 Excess FY16 Unclaimed Fund Prize (tbd at year end if funds above \$15M)	\$12,000,000	tbd
4 FY15 Net Proceeds above Estimate - In Priority Order	\$ 31,045,000	
5 FY15 Net Proceeds above Estimate & After Priority. Allocated on Pro Rata basis if not fully realized.	\$ 12,673,462	
6 FY15 Net Proceeds appropriated in Supplemental Bill	\$ 5,000,000	
Total Allocations	\$ 376,643,462	

* Also receives General Fund appropriation.

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