$26 Million Added in bond funds for emergency maintenance and repairs

**Dept. of Early Care and Learning**

$179,000 Reduced in formula funds for training and experience for Pre-K teachers.

$8.18 Million Added to reflect an increase in the employer contribution for State Health Benefit Plan (SHBP) from 18.534% to 29.454% of salary to maintain formula fidelity.

$14.04 Million Added for classroom operations and redirect existing funding to Pre-K lead teacher salaries.

**Georgia Dept. of Education**

$481,786 Transferred from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Education for the AmeriCorps Math Corps and Reading Corps programs. (Note: The only amount specified for this transfer in the DCA section of the budget is $240,894, so I am not sure where the other half of the total came from.)

$253,635 Added to reflect an increase in the employer contribution per-member per-month (PMPM) rate for certified school employees to $1,580 effective January 1, 2023. (Ag Education)

$114,000 Added for 12 new extended day/year programs. (Ag Education)

$288,000 Added for two young farmer positions in Barrow, Lowndes, and Hall counties and an oversight position. (Ag Education)

$120,000 Added for a completion state special school program coordinator position pursuant to HB87 (2023 Session).

**Budget Note:** “The Department of Education is authorized to establish a pilot program consisting of a representative sample of schools and school systems to study whether the use of advanced technologies capable of reliably detecting children at potential risk of harming themselves or others based on their internet use patterns is effective at reducing rates of youth suicide and violence; provided, however, that such study is limited to internet use on school-issued devices.” (Central Office)

$0 Removed for one-time funds in the GaDOE Central Office. The House sought to remove $75,000, but the Senate directed GaDOE to recognize $75,000 in base funds for outdoor learning grants instead.

$0 Added for Plasma Games statewide rollout and evaluate usage and effectiveness after one year. The House added $3 million, but the Senate cut it. (Central Office)