

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
Board of Governors

FY 2026-27 “Back of Bill” project authorizations – Bill Language

Below is the proposed proviso for 2026-27 FCO projects requiring Legislative authorization to be constructed, acquired, and/or financed by a university or a university direct support organization.

SECTION _____. Pursuant to sections 1010.62 and section 1013.171, Florida Statutes, and section 11(d) and (f), Article VII of the Florida Constitution, the following fixed capital outlay projects may be constructed, acquired, and financed by a university or university direct support organization. Financing mechanisms include any form of approved debt or bonds authorized by the Board of Governors.

No state appropriation of funds will be associated with these projects. The Legislature has provided the Board of Governors general authority to consider debt financing for most classes of projects. However, certain athletic and commercial facilities require specific Legislative authorization as a prerequisite condition for these projects. Legislative authorization does not supersede any of the requirements for Board of Governors review and approval of all projects to be financed from debt, unless the project as proposed meets an exception in the Board of Governors Debt Management Guidelines or Public-Private Partnership Guidelines.

Florida Atlantic University – Indoor Basketball Practice Facility Phase 1

Florida Polytechnic University – Campus Expansion Land Acquisition

Florida State University – Academic Hotel & Convention Center

Florida State University – Hotel & Athletic Support Facility

Florida State University – Athletic Facilities Enhancements and Renovations

University of Florida – Ben Hill Griffin Stadium Renovation

University of Florida – Recreation Sport Complex – Eastside

University of West Florida - Stadium

**In addition to the above, the following provisions, as authorized last year,
are requested again this year:**

SECTION _____. A university board of trustees may expend available reserves or carryforward balances from previous years’ operational and programmatic appropriations for deferred maintenance needs at the Donald L. Tucker Civic Center.

SECTION _____. A university board of trustees may expend available reserves or carryforward balances from previous years’ operational and programmatic appropriations for operational and maintenance and capital needs relative to FSU Health.

SECTION _____. The Board of Trustees of State Universities may expend available reserves or carryforward balances from previous years’ operational and programmatic appropriations for the construction, maintenance and capital needs relative to Title IX facilities.

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FY 2026-27 "Back of Bill" legislative authorizations - Project Details

Fixed Capital Outlay projects requiring preliminary Legislative approval (per s. 1010.62, F.S.) to be Constructed, Acquired and Financed
by a University or a Direct Support Organization.

Univ.	Project Name	Brief Description of Project	GSF	Project Location	Project Cost	Funding Source(s)	Estimated Annual Operating & Maintenance Cost	
							Amount (\$)	Source
FAU	Indoor Basketball Practice Facility-Phase1	Expansion to the existing arena to provide indoor basketball practice courts, locker rooms and offices for the coaching staff	20,000	Boca Raton, FL	\$14,000,000	Donor / Auxiliary	TBD	Athletics Operations
FPU	Campus Expansion Land Acquisition	Land acquisition proximal to main campus, to allow for future growth beyond the current 170 acre limitation	N/A (vacant land)	Lakeland, FL	\$15,000,000	Donations / Gifts	N/A	N/A
FSU	Athletic facilities enhancement and renovations; football, baseball, beach volleyball, volleyball, track, golf, tennis, basketball, softball, swimming, lacrosse and others	Updates to athletic facilities systems, structures, and amenities and/or construction of athletic facilities systems, structures, and amenities.	TBD	Tallahassee Campus - Main Site and Southwest Site	\$100,000,000	Athletics / Bonding	TBD	Revenues from athletic events, Donations
FSU	Academic Hotel & Convention Center	Learning Laboratory for FSU Students, especially those in FSU Hospitality	TBD	Tallahassee, FL (Arena district; near Civic Center)	TBD	Public Private Partnership	TBD	Operating Revenues from Hotel/convention Center
FSU	Hotel and Athletic Support Facility	Hotel located near athletic facilities and programs with unique opportunities for FSU Students	TBD	Tallahassee, FL (DSO-owned land near Stadium)	TBD	Seminole Boosters - Public Private Partnership	TBD	TBD
UF	Ben Hill Griffin Stadium Facility Upgrades	Renovations to Football Stadium	500,000	Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Campus	\$400,000,000	Bond	\$4,000,000	University Athletic Association
UF	Recreation Sports Complex- Eastside	Creation and development of Eastside sports complex	233,500	East side of Campus	\$165,000,000	Bond	\$1,650,000	Rec Sports
UWF	Stadium	On-Campus Stadium with 7,500 total seating capacity in the Phase 1 construction	126,231	Main Campus - Pensacola, FL	\$40,000,000+	\$15,000,000 Donations \$25,000,000 Internal Loan	\$1.986M	Auxiliaries Unobligated Reserves less debt service