



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

June 2, 2022

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Secretary Byrd:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8 of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objection to the HB 5011 enacted during the 124th Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session 2022:

HB 5011 - Inflation Fund

The Legislature passed HB 5011, which sought to create within the Executive Office of the Governor a fund to offset increasing costs for state government projects where the expenses exceed the costs appropriated because of the unprecedented inflation over recent months.

Inflation is no doubt severe, and Floridians have seen prices rise at grocery stores, in their energy bills, and at the gas pump. This bill, while intended to offset costs, could exacerbate inflation by promising more public sector funds to pay more for supplies of materials, while also competing with other projects throughout the state. It also reduces the need for state agencies to make tough decisions with the funds already appropriated.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of **HB 5011** and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ron DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

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