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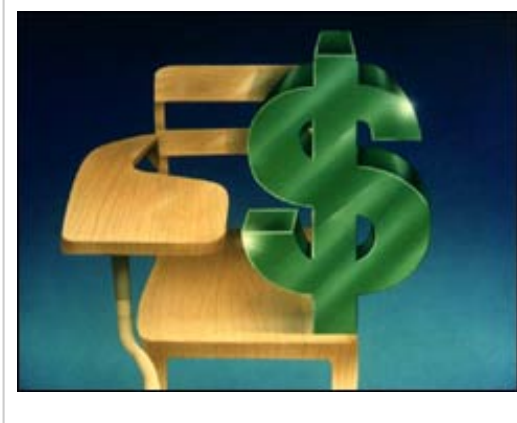


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Clay County Schools Target Impact

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL -- A hard look is being given in Clay County to increasing the impact fee on new home construction to help build new schools. The Clay County School Board is entertaining a plan that would increase the fee from \$2,000 to \$7,000 per home.



On paper, the school system says it faces being \$400 million dollars in the red over the next twenty years when it comes to capital dollars.

Carol Vallencourt is a longtime school board member and supports increasing the impact fee in Clay County. Vallencourt says doing nothing is not an option. She believes, "We don't want to have overcrowding because when you start overcrowding classes, then you have the problem."

The Clay County Commission would have a say on increasing impact fees. The school board on Thursday has scheduled to vote on the matter.

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