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Adopted plan amendments and amendment packages for 2006 and 2007 are as follows:

**2006:**

6985 adopted amendments

1207 adopted packages

**2007:**

5477 adopted amendments

1399 adopted packages

Now, that said - you need to be aware that while the number of adopted packages is accurate, the number of adopted amendments is not (and this statement applies to the numbers you already have from the Hometown Democracy fiscal impact statement). The reason is as follows: there is no "accounting formula" for determining the number of amendments in an amendment package. For instance, we may receive an amendment package that amends three elements within a comprehensive plan. The reviewer may count that as three amendments. However, within each element 20 changes may have been made.

Another reviewer might count those amendments as 60. Since both Hometown Democracy and the constitutional amendment you are currently reviewing focus on the "amendment" of a plan, I suppose you have no choice but to include the number of amendments, regardless of accuracy, in the fiscal impact statement. But it is the number of adopted packages that gives a truer picture of development activity in Florida:

2001: 945  
2002: 1,008  
2003: 1,067  
2004: 1,093  
2005: 1,201  
2006: 1,207  
2007: 1,399

It may also interest you to know that there are about twice as many small scale adopted amendment packages per year as compared to adopted comprehensive plan amendment packages that do not meet the small scale criteria.

Please let me know if any further information or clarification is needed.

Sincerely,

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