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A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the state lottery; amending 3 s. 24.115, F.S.; requiring that all unclaimed 4 prize money from lottery tickets, except 5 instant lottery tickets, be deposited in the 6 Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; amending s. 7 24.121, F.S.; requiring that unclaimed prize money deposited in the Educational Enhancement 8 9 Trust Fund be used only to provide funding for 10 grades K-12 through the Florida Education Finance Program; amending s. 1010.70, F.S., 11 12 relating to the Educational Enhancement Trust 13 Fund, to conform; providing an effective date. 14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 15 16 17 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 24.115, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 18 24.115 Payment of prizes.--19 (2) All unclaimed prize money, except unclaimed prize 20 21 money from instant lottery tickets, shall be deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund to be used to provide 22 23 funding for grades K-12 as provided in s. 24.121. Unclaimed prize money from instant lottery tickets shall be added to the 2.4 pool from which future prizes are to be awarded or used for 25 special prize promotions. 26 27 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 24.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 24.121 Allocation of revenues and expenditure of funds 29 30 for public education .--31

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(2) Each fiscal year, at least 39 percent of the gross revenue from the sale of on-line lottery tickets, variable percentages of the gross revenue from the sale of instant lottery tickets as determined by the department consistent with subsection (1), unclaimed prize money, except unclaimed prize money from instant lottery tickets, and other earned revenue, excluding application processing fees, shall be deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, which is hereby created in the State Treasury to be administered by the Department of Education. The Department of the Lottery shall transfer moneys to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund at least once each quarter. Funds in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund shall be used to the benefit of public education in accordance with the provisions of this act, except for funds from unclaimed prize money, which shall be used only to provide funding for grades K-12 through the Florida Education Finance Program. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, lottery revenues transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund shall be reserved as needed and used to meet the requirements of the documents authorizing the bonds issued by the state pursuant to s. 1013.68, s. 1013.70, or s. 1013.737 or distributed to school districts for the Classrooms First Program as provided in s. 1013.68. Such lottery revenues are hereby pledged to the payment of debt service on bonds issued by the state pursuant to s. 1013.68, s. 1013.70, or s. 1013.737. Debt service payable on bonds issued by the state pursuant to s. 1013.68, s. 1013.70, or s. 1013.737 shall be payable from, and is secured by a first lien on, the first lottery revenues transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund in each fiscal year. Amounts distributable to school districts that request the issuance of bonds pursuant

to s. 1013.68(3) are hereby pledged to such bonds pursuant to 2 s. 11(d), Art. VII of the State Constitution. 3 Section 3. Section 1010.70, Florida Statutes, is 4 amended to read: 5 1010.70 Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. -- Each fiscal year, at least 39 percent of the gross revenue from the sale of lottery tickets, variable percentages of the gross revenue from the sale of instant lottery tickets as determined 8 by the department, unclaimed prize money, except unclaimed 9 prize money from instant lottery tickets, and other earned 10 revenue, excluding application processing fees, shall be 11 12 deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund as 13 provided in s. 24.121. Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005. 14 15 16 17 SENATE SUMMARY 18 Provides that all unclaimed prize money from state lottery tickets, except instant lottery tickets, must be deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund. 19 Provides that unclaimed prize money deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund may be used only to 2.0 provide funding for grades K-12 through the Florida 21 Education Finance Program. 22 23 2.4 25 26 27 28 29 30 31