

The Florida Senate
PROFESSIONAL STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee

BILL: SB 1314

INTRODUCER: Senator Crist

SUBJECT: Federal Grants Trust Fund / Department of Legal Affairs

DATE: February 7, 2007

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Butler	Sadberry	JA	Favorable
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I. Summary:

SB 1314 creates the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Legal Affairs effective July 1, 2008. The fund is established as a depository for funds to be used for allowable grant activities. Funds that will be credited to the Federal Grants Trust Fund will consist of grants and funding from the federal government.

II. Present Situation:

Federal grant funds are currently accounted for in the department's Grants and Donations Trust Fund. Section 215.32, F.S., specifies that the source of grants and donations trust funds shall be from private and public non-federal sources.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill adds a new trust fund allowing the Department of Legal Affairs to rearrange existing revenues and expenditures in compliance with s. 215.32, F.S., which requires agencies to use or create certain trust funds for specified purposes.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

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VIII. Summary of Amendments:

None.

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