By Senator Wise

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 445.061, F.S.; creating the Florida Business and Workforce

Competitiveness Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation; providing for sources of funds and purposes; providing for annual carryforward of funds; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Section 445.061, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 445.061 Florida Business and Workforce Competitiveness
 Trust Fund.--
- (1) The Florida Business and Workforce Competitiveness

 Trust Fund is created within the Agency for Workforce Innovation and shall be administered by the regional workforce boards, as defined in s. 445.007, upon allocation by Workforce Florida, Inc. Funds credited to the trust fund shall consist of employment training investment assessments from employer contributions under s. 443.131.
- (2) The trust fund is established for use as a depository for funds to be used for the purposes of the Florida Business and Workforce Competitiveness Program established in s. 445.06.
- (3) Notwithstanding s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance in the trust fund at the end of any fiscal year shall remain in the trust fund at the end of the year and shall be available for carrying out the purpose of the trust fund.

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(4) In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State Constitution, the Florida Business and Workforce Competitiveness

Trust Fund shall, unless terminated sooner, be terminated on July

1, 2012. Before its scheduled termination, the trust fund shall be reviewed as provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2).

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, if Senate Bill ____, or similar legislation, is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes law.