

By the Committee on General Government Appropriations and  
Representative K. Pruitt

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to implementing the fiscal year  
3           1997-1998 General Appropriations Act in the  
4           area of general government; providing  
5           legislative intent; amending s. 372.672, F.S.;  
6           authorizing the appropriation of certain funds  
7           from the Florida Panther Research and  
8           Management Trust Fund to reimburse certain  
9           expenses relating to Texas cougars originally  
10          purchased as part of the Florida panther  
11          research and management program; providing for  
12          future repeal; amending s. 259.032, F.S.;  
13          authorizing the appropriation of certain funds  
14          in the Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust  
15          Fund for outdoor-recreation grants; providing  
16          for future repeal; amending s. 376.11, F.S.;  
17          authorizing the transfer of certain funds from  
18          the Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund to  
19          the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust  
20          Fund to fund beach inlet protection; providing  
21          for future repeal; providing severability;  
22          providing an effective date.

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

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26           Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that  
27 the implementing and administering provisions of this act  
28 apply to the fiscal year 1997-1998 General Appropriations Act  
29 in the area of general government.

30           Section 2. In order to implement Specific  
31 Appropriation 1388 of the 1997-1998 General Appropriations

1 Act, subsection (4) is added to section 372.672, Florida  
2 Statutes, to read:

3 372.672 Florida Panther Research and Management Trust  
4 Fund.--

5 (4) Notwithstanding subsection (2), for the 1997-1998  
6 fiscal year only, up to \$50,000 may be appropriated from the  
7 fund to reimburse expenses incurred in recovering, housing,  
8 and maintaining Texas cougars originally purchased as part of  
9 the Florida panther research and management program. This  
10 subsection is repealed on July 1, 1998.

11 Section 3. In order to implement Specific  
12 Appropriation 1332 of the 1997-1998 General Appropriations  
13 Act, subsection (15) of section 259.032, Florida Statutes,  
14 1996 Supplement, is amended to read:

15 259.032 Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust Fund;  
16 purpose.--

17 (15) For fiscal year 1997-1998 ~~1996-1997~~ only, moneys  
18 credited to the fund may be appropriated to provide grants to  
19 qualified local governmental entities pursuant to the  
20 provisions of s. 375.075. This subsection is repealed on July  
21 1, 1998 ~~1997~~.

22 Section 4. In order to implement Specific  
23 Appropriation 1273 of the 1997-1998 General Appropriations  
24 Act, subsection (7) is added to section 376.11, Florida  
25 Statutes, 1996 Supplement, to read:

26 376.11 Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund.--

27 (7) Notwithstanding subsection (4), for the 1997-1998  
28 fiscal year only, up to \$10 million may be transferred by  
29 legislative appropriation from the fund to the Ecosystem  
30 Management and Restoration Trust Fund for the purpose of  
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