

SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

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

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Subject: Criminal Justice Standards Trust Fund

	<u>Analyst</u>	<u>Staff Director</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Action</u>
1.	<u>Martin</u>	<u>Smith</u>	<u>WM</u>	<u>Fav/1 amendment</u>
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I. Summary:

This legislation recreates the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund without modification. The Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund is administered by the Department of Law Enforcement.

This bill recreates section 943.25 of the Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

The Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund was created to provide for Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (Commission) approved criminal justice advanced and specialized training and criminal justice training school enhancements. The trust fund also funds the Department of Law Enforcement, Division of Criminal Justice Standards and Training which supports and assists the Commission in the execution, administration, implementation, and evaluation of the Commission's activities.

The trust fund's revenues are basically from two sources. The first source is the court fee of three dollars that is assessed to every person convicted for violation of a state penal or a criminal justice statute (s. 943.25(3), F.S.). All costs collected by the courts are remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund and are earmarked to the Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) and the Department of Community Affairs as follows: \$2 of every \$3 are deposited in the Criminal Justice Training Trust Fund (DLE), 75 cents is deposited into the Administrative Trust Fund (DLE), and the remaining 25 cents is deposited into the Trust Fund for Grant Matching of the Department of Community Affairs. The second source is five and one-tenth percent of all civil penalties received by county courts (s. 318.21(c), F.S.) is deposited in the Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund of which 67 percent is deposited into

the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund, 25 percent deposited into the Administrative Trust Fund, and 8 percent is deposited into the Trust Fund for Grant Matching. Any unencumbered funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year are deposited, for redistribution, in the Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill recreates the trust fund without modification.

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:

This legislation has no fiscal impact on state agencies or state funds, on local governments as a whole or on the private sector. It simply recreates, without modification, an existing state trust fund and continues the current use of the fund.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

#1 by Ways and Means:

Corrects the title of the trust fund in the bill by inserting the word "Standards."

This Senate staff analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's sponsor or the Florida Senate.
