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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
COMMITTEE ON  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS  
TRUST FUND RE-CREATION BILL RESEARCH**

**BILL #:** HB 4599 (PCB CJ 98-15)

**RELATING TO:** Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund

**SPONSOR(S):** Criminal Justice Appropriations

**COMPANION BILL(S):**

**ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:**

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I. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund without modification. The Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund is administered by the Justice Administration Commission.

II. SUBSTANTIVE RESEARCH:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

Section 27.52, F.S. creates the trust fund

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FUND'S USES OR PURPOSES:

The Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund will be administered by the Justice Administration Commission, and appropriated proportionally to the amounts collected by each circuit court. The Legislature for fiscal year 1998-1999 hereby appropriates \$268,758.

3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

Provides for a revenue source from \$40 fees collected in conjunction with determinations of indigency.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

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C. STATUTE(S) AFFECTED:

N/A

III. FISCAL RESEARCH & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

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 re-creates, without modification, an existing state trust fund and continues the current use of the fund.

IV. COMMENTS:

N/A

V. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

N/A

VI. SIGNATURES:

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