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

BILL #: HB 4617 (PCB CJ 98-24)

RELATING TO: Operating Trust Fund

SPONSOR(S): Criminal Justice Appropriations

COMPANION BILL(S):

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

- (1) Criminal Justice Appropriations YEAS 7 NAYS 0
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I. SUMMARY:

This legislation re-creates the Operating Trust Fund without modification. The Operating Trust Fund is administered by the Department of Law Enforcement.

II. SUBSTANTIVE RESEARCH:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:

- Section 790.065, F.S.,** provides for revenue from executing firearms record checks.
- Section 893.13, F.S.,** provides revenue from \$100 court fees.
- Section 943.053, F.S.,** provides revenue from fees collected by processing criminal history checks.
- Section 943.0585, F.S.,** provides revenue from a \$75 processing fee on certificates of eligibility for expunction of criminal records.
- Section 943.059, F.S.,** provides revenue from a \$75 processing fee on certificates of eligibility on sealing criminal records.

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

The Operating Trust Fund provides the funds necessary to operate the statewide criminal analysis laboratory system and to execute criminal history checks. In the 1998-1999 fiscal year, the legislature appropriated \$49,927,530.

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3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:

Fees collected from executing federal and state criminal history checks and firearms record checks account for about 75 percent of estimated revenue for FY 1998-1999.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

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: CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS

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