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

**BILL #:** HB 4623 (PCB CJ 98-27)

**RELATING TO:** Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention 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 Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund without modification. The Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund is administered by the Department of Legal Affairs.

**II. SUBSTANTIVE RESEARCH:**

**A. PRESENT SITUATION:**

**1. MAJOR STATUTES THAT CONTROL THE TRUST FUND:**

Section 860.158, F.S., creates trust fund and provides for its purpose.

Section 320.08045, F.S. provides for revenue.

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

The receipts of the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund are expended to prevent, combat, and reduce motor vehicle theft through grant monies that are available to law enforcement, prosecution, and private entities for implementation of theft prevention programs. Two-thirds of the funds shall be made available to qualified applicants under the community juvenile justice partnership grant program established pursuant to s. 39.025(8), F.S. The 1998-1999 fiscal year appropriation is \$2,245,755.

**3. MAJOR SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE FUND:**

The primary source of revenue is a \$.50 surcharge on each license tax imposed under s. 320.98, F.S., collected by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, and transferred to the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund located in the Department of Legal Affairs.

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**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:**

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